

## Scriptures on God's Sovereignty

**Daniel 4:35** - All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing.

**He does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth.**

**No one can hold back his hand** or say to him: "What have you done?" NIV

### God created all things -

**Gen 1:1** - 1:1 In the beginning **God created the heavens and the earth.** NIV

**Ex 20:11** - 11 For **in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea, and all that is in them,** but he rested on the seventh day. Therefore the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy. NIV

**Isa 40:26-28** - 26 Lift your eyes and look to the heavens: **Who created all these?**

**He who brings out the starry host one by one, and calls them each by name.**

**Because of his great power and mighty strength, not one of them is missing.**

28 Do you not know? Have you not heard? **The LORD is the everlasting God,**

**the Creator of the ends of the earth.** He will not grow tired or weary, and his understanding no one can fathom. NIV

**Jeremiah 32:17** - 17 "Ah, Sovereign LORD, **you have made the heavens and**

**the earth by your great power** and outstretched arm. Nothing is too hard for you. NIV

**John 1:1-3** - 1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and

the Word was God. 2 He was with God in the beginning. 3 **Through him all**

**things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.** NIV

**Acts 17:24-24** "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord

**of heaven and earth** and does not live in temples built by hands. NIV

**Colossians 1:16-18** - 16 For **by him all things were created: things in heaven**

**and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or**

**authorities; all things were created by him and for him.** 17 He is before all

things, and in him all things hold together. NIV

**Hebrews 1:1-3** - 1:1 In the past God spoke to our forefathers through the prophets

at many times and in various ways, 2 but in these last days he has spoken to us by

his Son, whom he appointed heir of all things, and **through whom he made the**

**universe.** 3 The Son is the radiance of God's glory and the exact representation of

his being, sustaining all things by his powerful word. NIV

**Revelation 10:6** - 6 And he swore by him who lives for ever and ever, **who**

**created the heavens and all that is in them, the earth and all that is in it, and**

**the sea and all that is in it,** and said, "There will be no more delay! NIV

**Revelation 4:11**- "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and

power: **for thou hast created all things,** and for thy pleasure they are and were created."

### God possesses all things

**Ex 9:29-30** - 29 Moses replied, "When I have gone out of the city, I will spread

out my hands in prayer to the LORD. The thunder will stop and there will be no

more hail, **so you may know that the earth is the LORD's.** NIV

**Ex 19:5-6** - 5 Now if you obey me fully and keep my covenant, then out of all

nations you will be my treasured possession. **Although the whole earth is mine,**

**Deut 10:14-15** - 14 To the **LORD your God belong the heavens, even the highest heavens, the earth and everything in it.** NIV

**1 Chronicles 29:11** - 1 Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the majesty and the splendor, **for everything in heaven and earth is yours.** Yours, O LORD, is the kingdom; you are exalted as head over all. NIV

**Job 41:11** - 1 Who has a claim against me that I must pay? **Everything under heaven belongs to me.** NIV

**Ps 24:1** - The **earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it;**

**Ps 89:11** - 1 The **heavens are yours, and yours also the earth;** you founded the world and all that is in it. NIV

## God controls nature

**Ex 9:22-24** - 23 When Moses stretched out his staff toward the sky, **the LORD sent thunder and hail, and lightning flashed down to the ground.** So the LORD rained hail on the land of Egypt; 24 hail fell and lightning flashed back and forth. **It was the worst storm in all the land of Egypt since it had become a nation.** NIV

**Job 37:1-13** - "At this my heart pounds and leaps from its place. 2 Listen! Listen to the roar of his voice, to the rumbling that comes from his mouth. 3 **He unleashes his lightning** beneath the whole heaven and sends it to the ends of the earth. 4 After that comes the sound of his roar; he thunders with his majestic voice. When his voice resounds, he holds nothing back. 5 God's voice thunders in marvelous ways; he does great things beyond our understanding. 6 **He says to the snow, 'Fall on the earth,' and to the rain shower, 'Be a mighty downpour.'** 7 So that all men he has made may know his work, he stops every man from his labor. 8 The animals take cover; they remain in their dens. 9 **The tempest comes out from its chamber, the cold from the driving winds. 10 The breath of God produces ice, and the broad waters become frozen.** 11 He loads the clouds with moisture; he scatters his lightning through them. 12 **At his direction** they swirl around over the face of the whole earth to do whatever he commands them. 13 He brings the clouds to punish men, or to water his earth and show his love. NIV

**Psalms 147:16-18** - 16 **He spreads the snow like wool** and scatters the frost like ashes. 17 **He hurls down his hail** like pebbles. Who can withstand his icy blast? 18 He sends his word and melts them; **he stirs up his breezes, and the waters flow.**

**Psalms 148:7-8** - Praise the LORD from the earth, you great sea creatures and all ocean depths, 8 **lightning and hail, snow and clouds, stormy winds that do his bidding,** NIV

**Jeremiah 14:22-15:1** - 22 Do any of the worthless idols of the nations bring rain? Do the skies themselves **send down showers? No, it is you, O LORD our God.** Therefore our hope is in you, for you are the one who does all this.

**Amos 4:13**- "He who forms the mountains, **creates the wind,** and reveals his thoughts to man, he who turns dawn to darkness, and treads the high places of the earth the LORD God Almighty is his name." NIV

**Mark 4:38-41** - 38 Jesus was in the stern, sleeping on a cushion. The disciples woke him and said to him, "Teacher, don't you care if we drown?" 39 He got up,

rebuked the wind and said to the waves, "Quiet! Be still!" **Then the wind died down and it was completely calm.** 40 He said to his disciples, "Why are you so afraid? Do you still have no faith?" 41 They were terrified and asked each other, "Who is this? Even the wind and the waves obey him!" NIV

**Revelation 16:1-9** - 16:1 Then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels, "Go, pour out the seven bowls of God's wrath on the earth." 2 The first angel went and poured out his bowl on the land, and ugly and painful sores broke out on the people who had the mark of the beast and worshiped his image. 3 The second angel poured out his bowl on the sea, and it turned into blood like that of a dead man, and **every living thing in the sea died.** 4 The third angel poured out his bowl on the rivers and springs of water, and they became blood. 5 Then I heard the angel in charge of the waters say: "You are just in these judgments, you who are and who were, the Holy One, because you have so judged; 6 for they have shed the blood of your saints and prophets, and you have given them blood to drink as they deserve." 7 And I heard the altar respond: "Yes, Lord God Almighty, true and just are your judgments." 8 The fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and **the sun was given power to scorch people with fire.** 9 They were seared by the intense heat and they cursed the name of God, who had control over these plagues, but they refused to repent and glorify him. NIV

**Revelation 16:17-21** - 17 The seventh angel poured out his bowl into the air, and out of the temple came a loud voice from the throne, saying, "It is done!" 18 Then **there came flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder and a severe earthquake.** No earthquake like it has ever occurred since man has been on earth, so tremendous was the quake. 19 The great city split into three parts, and the cities of the nations collapsed. God remembered Babylon the Great and gave her the cup filled with the wine of the fury of his wrath. 20 Every island fled away and the mountains could not be found. 21 **From the sky huge hailstones of about a hundred pounds each fell upon men.** And they cursed God on account of the plague of hail, because the plague was so terrible. NIV

## God holds the power of life and death

**Genesis 2:6-7** - 7 the LORD God formed the man from the dust of the ground and **breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living being.**

**Job 14:5** - 5 **Man's days are determined;** you have decreed the number of his months and have set limits he cannot exceed. NIV

**Job 34:14-15**- "If it were his intention and **he withdrew his spirit and breath, all mankind would perish together and man would return to the dust.**"

**Psalms 104:29** - 9 When you hide your face, they are terrified; **when you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust.** NIV

**Isaiah 42:5** - 5 This is what God the LORD says-- he who created the heavens and stretched them out, who spread out the earth and all that comes out of it, **who gives breath to its people, and life to those who walk on it:** NIV

**Dan 5:23** - 23 Instead, you have set yourself up against the Lord of heaven. You had the goblets from his temple brought to you, and you and your nobles, your wives and your concubines drank wine from them. You praised the gods of silver and gold, of bronze, iron, wood and stone, which cannot see or hear or

understand. But **you did not honor the God who holds in his hand your life and all your ways.** NIV

**John 11:25-27** - 25 Jesus said to her, "**I am the resurrection and the life.** He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; 26 and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?" 27 "Yes, Lord," she told him, "I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, who was to come into the world."

**John 11:43-44** - 43 When he had said this, Jesus called in a loud voice, "**Lazarus, come out!**" 44 **The dead man came out,** his hands and feet wrapped with strips of linen, and a cloth around his face. Jesus said to them, "Take off the grave clothes and let him go."

**Acts 17:25** - 25 And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything, because **he himself gives all men life and breath** and everything else. NIV

### **God arranges the circumstances of history according to his purpose and plan-**

**Psalms 33:11** - 11 But the plans of the LORD stand firm forever, the purposes of his heart through all generations. NIV

**Ecclesiastes 7:13-14** - 13 Consider what God has done: **Who can straighten what he has made crooked?** 14 When times are good, be happy; but when times are bad, consider: **God has made the one as well as the other.** NIV

**Isaiah 23:9** - 9 The **LORD Almighty planned it,** to bring low the pride of all glory and to humble all who are renowned on the earth. NIV

**Isaiah 25:1** - O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness **you have done marvelous things, things planned long ago.** NIV

**Isaiah 45:6-7** - I am the LORD, and there is no other; 7 I form the light and create darkness, **I make peace and create calamity; I, the LORD, do all these things.**' NKJV

**Isaiah 46:11** - 11 >From the east I summon a bird of prey; from a far-off land, a man to fulfill my purpose. **What I have said, that will I bring about; what I have planned, that will I do.**

**Job 12:7-23** - 7 "But ask the animals, and they will teach you, or the birds of the air, and they will tell you; 8 or speak to the earth, and it will teach you, or let the fish of the sea inform you. 9 **Which of all these does not know that the hand of the LORD has done this?** 10 In his hand is the life of every creature and the breath of all mankind. 11 Does not the ear test words as the tongue tastes food? 12 Is not wisdom found among the aged? Does not long life bring understanding? 13 "To God belong wisdom and power; counsel and understanding are his. 14 What he tears down cannot be rebuilt; the man he imprisons cannot be released. 15 If he holds back the waters, there is drought; if he lets them loose, they devastate the land. 16 To him belong strength and victory; both deceived and deceiver are his. 17 He leads counselors away stripped and makes fools of judges. 18 **He takes off** the shackles put on by kings and ties a loincloth around their waist. 19 **He leads** priests away stripped and overthrows men long established. 20 **He silences the lips** of trusted advisers and takes away the discernment of elders. 21 **He pours contempt** on nobles and **disarms** the mighty. 22 **He reveals the deep things** of

darkness and brings deep shadows into the light. 23 **He makes nations great, and destroys them; he enlarges nations, and disperses them.** NIV

**Lam 3:37-40** - 37 Who can speak and have it happen if the Lord has not decreed it? **38 Is it not from the mouth of the Most High that both calamities and good things come?** 39 Why should any living man complain when punished for his sins? 40 Let us examine our ways and test them, and let us return to the LORD. NIV

**Proverbs 19:21** - 1 Many are the plans in a man's heart, but it is **the LORD's purpose that prevails.** NIV

**Acts 4:27-28** - 27 Indeed Herod and Pontius Pilate met together with the Gentiles and the people of Israel in this city to conspire against your holy servant Jesus, whom you anointed. 28 **They did what your power and will had decided beforehand should happen.**

**Romans 8:28-30** - 28 And we know that **in all things God works for the good of those who love him,** who have been called according to his purpose. 29 For those God foreknew **he also predestined** to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. 30 And those **he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.**

**Romans 9:22-24** - 22 What if God, choosing to show his wrath and make his power known, bore with great patience the objects of his wrath-**prepared for destruction?** 23 What if he did this to make the riches of his glory known to the objects of his mercy, **whom he prepared in advance for glory**- 24 even us, whom he also called, not only from the Jews but also from the Gentiles? NIV  
**Ephesians 1:11** - 11 In him we were also chosen, having been predestined according to the plan of him who works out everything in conformity with the purpose of his will,

### **He has made all things for his purpose and plan and Glory**

**Exodus 9:16** - 16 But **I have raised you up for this very purpose,** that I might show you my power and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth. NIV

**Proverbs 16:4** - 4 The **LORD works out everything for his own ends**-- even the wicked for a day of disaster. NIV

**Isaiah 43:7** - 7 everyone who is called by my name, **whom I created for my glory,** whom I formed and made." NIV

**Isaiah 43:21** - 21 the people **I formed for myself** that they may proclaim my praise. NIV

**Isaiah 54:16** - 16 "See, it is I who created the blacksmith who fans the coals into flame and forges a weapon fit for its work. And it is **I who have created the destroyer to work havoc;** NIV

**Acts 17:24-31** - 24 "The God who made the world and everything in it is the Lord of heaven and earth and does not live in temples built by hands. 25 And he is not served by human hands, as if he needed anything, because he himself gives all men life and breath and everything else. 26 **From one man he made every nation of men, that they should inhabit the whole earth; and he determined the times set for them and the exact places where they should live.** 27 ***God did this so that men would seek him and perhaps reach out for him and find him,***

though he is not far from each one of us. 28'For in him we live and move and have our being.' As some of your own poets have said, 'We are his offspring.' 29 "Therefore since we are God's offspring, we should not think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone-an image made by man's design and skill. 30 In the past God overlooked such ignorance, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent. 31 For he has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed. He has given proof of this to all men by raising him from the dead." NIV

**Romans 11:33-36** - 33 Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable his judgments, and his paths beyond tracing out! 34 "Who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has been his counselor?" 35 "Who has ever given to God, that God should repay him?" 36 **For from him and through him and to him are all things.** To him be the glory forever! Amen. NIV  
**Revelation 4:11**- "Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: **for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created."**