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# Savior of the World — Choose You This Day

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**of God**



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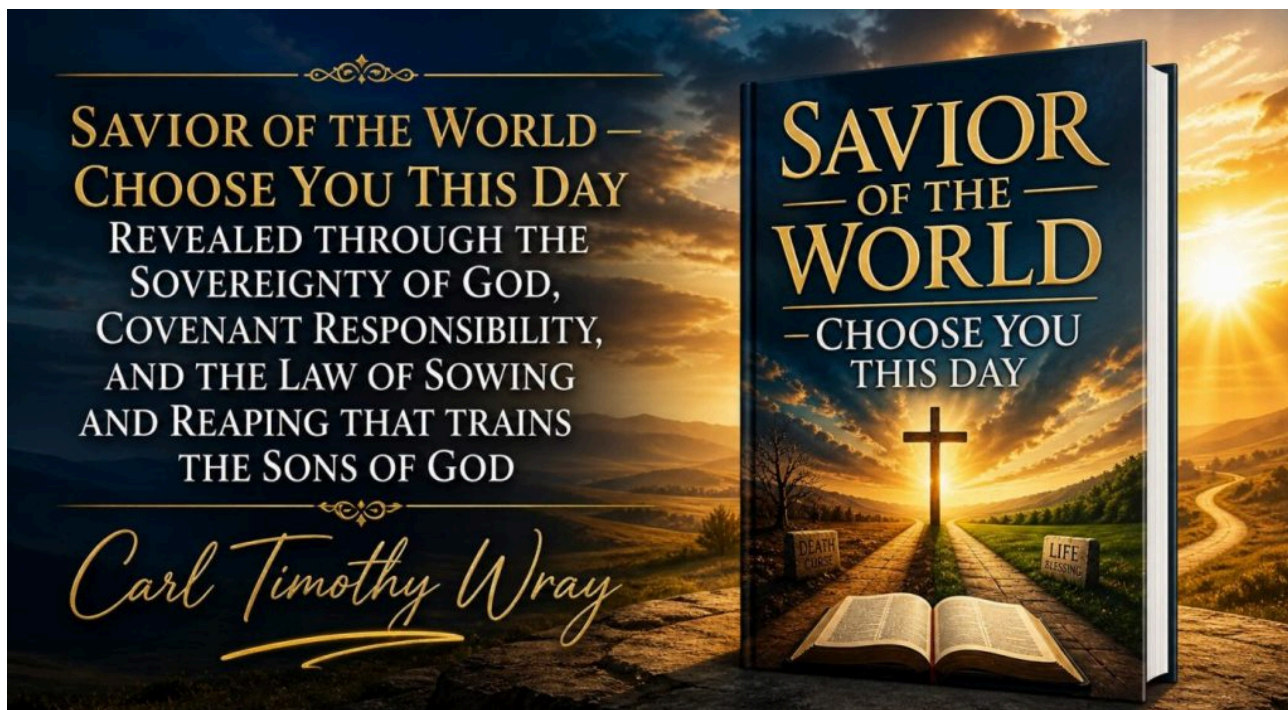
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*Savior of the World — Choose You This Day* answers one of the most misunderstood tensions in Scripture: the sovereignty of God and the responsibility of man. Does man truly have free will, or is God the author of salvation from beginning to end? Through the full counsel of the Bible, this book reveals that salvation is not of human will, yet God calls His covenant people to choose, grow, and walk in alignment with Him through the law of sowing and reaping. Discover how Jesus Christ as the Savior of the world initiates, sustains, and completes salvation, while training His people through real-life decisions that shape maturity, wisdom, and [spiritual growth](#).



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## 🔥 Savior of the World: INTRODUCTION

### The Balance Few Have Seen

There are two messages that have echoed through the Church for generations.

One declares:

☞ **God is sovereign.**

That He declares the end from the beginning...

that He works all things after the counsel of His own will...

that salvation is not of him that wills, but of God that shows mercy.

The other declares:



## ☞ Choose you this day.

Choose life.

Walk in obedience.

Sow, and you will reap.

And for many, these two voices seem to contradict one another.

If God is truly in control...

☞ why does He call man to choose?

If salvation is not of human will...

☞ why does Scripture speak of obedience, sowing, and consequence?

If Christ is the Savior of the world...

☞ where does man's responsibility fit?

Because of this tension, most fall into one of two extremes.

Some embrace sovereignty so strongly that they become passive—  
waiting, watching, but never growing.

Others embrace responsibility so strongly that they live under pressure—  
striving, performing, and never resting.

But what if neither extreme reveals the full truth?

What if the answer is not found in choosing one side...  
but in **rightly dividing both**?

This book is written to bring that balance into clear view.

Not by blending the two into confusion...



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...by placing each in its proper order.

From Genesis to Revelation, a pattern emerges:

- ☞ God initiates.
- ☞ God establishes.
- ☞ God completes.

But within that divine work:

- ☞ Man responds.
- ☞ Man learns.
- ☞ Man is formed.

This is not contradiction.

This is **order**.

The sovereignty of God does not eliminate responsibility—  
it establishes the foundation in which responsibility has meaning.

And the call to choose does not make man the author of salvation—  
it reveals the process by which sons are trained within it.

This is the unveiling of that pattern.

The God who declares the end from the beginning...  
is the same God who says:

☞ **“Choose you this day.”**

And when both are seen together—  
the confusion lifts, the pressure breaks,  
and understanding begins to form.



Not of striving...  
not of passivity...

☞ but of life lived in alignment with God.

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## Call to the Reader

If you have ever wrestled with the tension between God's sovereignty and man's responsibility...

If you have ever wondered why Scripture calls you to choose, yet declares that God works all things...

If you are ready to move beyond fragments into the full counsel of God...

☞ Then this book will open that door.

Let us search the Scriptures—  
and let the truth be established.

## CHAPTER 1 — THE IMBALANCE IN THE HOUSE OF GOD

### When Truth Is Divided, Confusion Multiplies

There are not many problems in the Church that come from a lack of Scripture.

Most come from **how Scripture is handled**.



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emphasized...

another part is ignored...

and what God joined together is pulled apart.

The result is not clarity—it is confusion.

And the Word already warned us:

**“For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line... here a little, and there a little”** (Isaiah 28:10).

Truth was never meant to be built on fragments.

It was meant to be **assembled**.

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## The Call to Rightly Divide

Paul did not tell Timothy to simply read the Word.

He said:

**“Study to shew thyself approved unto God... rightly dividing the word of truth”**  
(2 Timothy 2:15).

That means there are lines that must be drawn.

Not to separate truth from truth—

👉 but to place truth in its proper order.

When that order is lost, imbalance is born.

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# Two Messages—One Confusion

Throughout generations, two powerful truths have been preached:

- ☞ **God is sovereign.**
- ☞ **Man must choose.**

One declares:

**“I am God... declaring the end from the beginning... My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure”** (Isaiah 46:9–10).

The other declares:

**“Choose you this day whom ye will serve”** (Joshua 24:15).

One reveals divine control.

The other demands human response.

And instead of reconciling them, most systems choose one and discard the other.

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## The Drift into Extremes

When sovereignty is preached alone:

People become passive.

They say:



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“I do it all”

- “Nothing depends on me”

And growth slows... responsibility fades... formation stalls.

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When responsibility is preached alone:

People come under pressure.

They say:

- "It all depends on my choice"
- "If I fail, I lose everything"

And fear rises... striving increases... rest disappears.

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Neither extreme reflects the full counsel of God.

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## Destroyed for Lack of Knowledge

The danger of imbalance is not small.

Scripture says:

**"My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge"** (Hosea 4:6).

Not lack of effort.

Not lack of desire.



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Understanding.

And Jesus said the same:

**“Ye do err, not knowing the scriptures, nor the power of God”** (Matthew 22:29).

Notice both sides:

- Not knowing the Scriptures → misinterpretation
- Not knowing the power of God → misplacement

Both are needed.

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## Wisdom Is Seeing the Whole

This is why the Word declares:

**“Wisdom is the principal thing; therefore get wisdom”** (Proverbs 4:7).

Wisdom is not knowing one truth strongly.

👉 It is seeing **how all truth fits together**.

It is understanding:

- where sovereignty applies
  - where responsibility applies
  - and how both operate without contradiction
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## The Root of the Problem



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...not that Scripture is unclear.

The issue is that truths are often taken out of their place.

For example:

- “Not of him that wills...” (Romans 9:16)
- “Choose you this day...” (Joshua 24:15)

If these are forced into the same category, confusion follows.

But when they are rightly divided:

- ☞ One speaks of **origin**
- ☞ The other speaks of **response**

And suddenly, the tension begins to resolve.

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## The Beginning of Clarity

This book is not written to remove one side.

It is written to **restore both sides in order**.

Because from Genesis to Revelation, a pattern emerges:

- ☞ God initiates.
- ☞ God establishes.
- ☞ God completes.

But within that work:



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- ☞ Man learns.

☞ Man is formed.

This is not contradiction.

☞ This is divine structure.

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## The Savior of the World and the Training of Sons

This is why the revelation of **Savior of the World** must be held alongside this teaching.

Because Christ is not a partial Savior.

He is not waiting on man to complete what He started.

☞ He is the **Savior of the world**.

And yet, within that finished work, sons are trained:

- through choices
- through consequences
- through sowing and reaping

Not to become saved—

☞ but to **grow within what God has established**.

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## Setting the Stage for Right Division



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...ion is not:

👉 Is God sovereign?

Nor is it:

👉 Does man choose?

The real question is:

👉 **Where does each belong?**

Because when each truth is placed correctly:

- sovereignty brings rest
  - responsibility brings growth
  - and both operate in harmony
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## 🔥 Call to the Reader

If you have ever felt the tension between these two messages...

If you have seen one emphasized at the expense of the other...

If you have wrestled with how both can be true at the same time...

👉 Then you are standing at the doorway of understanding.

Because the answer is not found in choosing one side—

👉 but in **rightly dividing both.**



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apter will establish the foundation clearly:

## 👉 The Sovereignty of God

And once that foundation is secure...

everything else will begin to fall into place.

# 🔥 CHAPTER 2 — THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD ESTABLISHED

## God Is Not Reacting—He Is Declaring

Before we can understand “choose you this day,” we must establish something first:

### 👉 God is sovereign.

Not partially.

Not occasionally.

### 👉 Absolutely.

Scripture does not present God as reacting to man.

It presents Him as **declaring the end from the beginning**:

**“I am God... declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure” (Isaiah 46:9–10).**

This is not uncertainty.



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possibility.

☞ This is **purpose established before time**.

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## None Can Stay His Hand

Daniel saw the same truth clearly:

**“He doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?”** (Daniel 4:35).

No resistance can stop Him.

No will can override Him.

No circumstance can interrupt His plan.

☞ God’s will is not competing with man’s will.

☞ God’s will **governs all things**.

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## He Works All Things

Paul confirms it in the New Covenant:

**“Being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will”** (Ephesians 1:11).

Not some things.

☞ **All things.**



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- beginnings
- processes
- outcomes

Everything operates within the counsel of His will.

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## Of Him, Through Him, To Him

The entire flow of existence is summed up in one statement:

**“For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things”** (Romans 11:36).

- **Of Him** → origin
- **Through Him** → process
- **To Him** → completion

There is nothing outside of this.

☞ God is not a participant in reality.

☞ He is the **source, sustainer, and end of it.**

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## He Does What He Pleases

The psalmist makes it simple:

**“Our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased”** (Psalm 115:3).



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an allows.

Not what circumstances permit.

☞ What **He pleases**.

This is sovereignty without limitation.

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## The Sovereignty Behind Salvation

This is where everything begins to align.

Because if God is sovereign over all things—

☞ then He is sovereign over salvation.

And Scripture makes that clear:

**“So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy”** (Romans 9:16).

Salvation does not originate in man.

It does not begin with human will.

☞ It begins with God.

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## The Savior of the World Operates in Sovereignty

This is why the revelation of **Savior of the World** is so critical.



Because Jesus is not presented as:

- hoping to save
- waiting to save
- limited in saving

☞ He is the **Savior of the world**.

And what He was sent to do—

☞ He accomplishes.

**“The Father sent the Son to be the Savior of the world”** (1 John 4:14).

Not to attempt it.

☞ To **be** it.

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## The Foundation That Cannot Be Moved

At this point, the foundation is clear:

- God declares the end (Isaiah 46:10)
- None can stop Him (Daniel 4:35)
- He works all things (Ephesians 1:11)
- Everything flows from Him (Romans 11:36)
- He does what He pleases (Psalm 115:3)
- Salvation is of God (Romans 9:16)

☞ This is not partial sovereignty.

☞ This is **absolute sovereignty**.



# Why This Must Be Established First

If this foundation is not laid:

- responsibility becomes pressure
- choice becomes fear
- obedience becomes striving

But when sovereignty is seen clearly:

☞ rest enters

Because the outcome is not uncertain.

The plan is not fragile.

God is not hoping things work out.

☞ He is bringing them to pass.

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## But This Is Not the Whole Picture

And here is where many stop.

They see sovereignty...

and conclude:

☞ "Then nothing else matters."



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ot what Scripture teaches.

Because the same God who declares the end from the beginning...

☞ also says:

**“Choose you this day whom ye will serve.”**

Not as contradiction—

☞ but as **order within His sovereignty.**

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## **Call to the Reader**

So now the question shifts:

- ☞ If God is truly sovereign...
- ☞ if He works all things...
- ☞ if salvation originates in Him...

**then why does He call man to choose?**

Why does Scripture speak of obedience?

Why does it speak of sowing and reaping?

Why does it speak of responsibility?

The next chapter begins to answer that:

☞ **Man in Covenant, Not Independence**



## **CHAPTER 3 — MAN IN COVENANT,**



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## **NOT INDEPENDENCE**

# “Choose You This Day” — Spoken to a Covenant People

Once the sovereignty of God is established, the next question rises:

👉 **Why does God call man to choose?**

The answer is found in **who He is speaking to**.

When Joshua stands and declares:

**“Choose you this day whom ye will serve”** (Joshua 24:15),

he is not speaking to:

- the nations
- the heathen
- the dead in sin

👉 He is speaking to **Israel**.

A people who:

- were delivered from Egypt
- passed through the sea
- received the law
- walked under God’s dealings

They were not outside of God.

👉 They were already **in covenant with Him**.



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# Covenant Before Command

Before God ever tells Israel to choose—

☞ He **chooses them**.

**“Now therefore, if ye will obey my voice indeed... then ye shall be a peculiar treasure unto me... a kingdom of priests, and an holy nation”** (Exodus 19:5–6).

They did not initiate this relationship.

They did not create it.

☞ God established it.

So when He later says “choose”—

it is not to create covenant...

☞ it is to **walk rightly within it**.

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## Choose Life — Within Relationship

Moses echoes the same call:

**“I have set before you life and death... therefore choose life”** (Deuteronomy 30:19).

Again, this is not spoken to strangers.



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n to a people who:

- know His ways
- have heard His voice
- have seen His works

**“He made known his ways unto Moses, his acts unto the children of Israel”**  
(Psalm 103:7).

☞ They are not discovering God.

☞ They are being trained by Him.

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## Known by God, Not Independent of Him

God makes something clear about Israel:

**“You only have I known of all the families of the earth”** (Amos 3:2).

This is not independence.

This is **relationship and accountability**.

Because being known by God does not remove responsibility—

☞ it increases it.

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## Choice Is Not Origin—It Is Alignment

This is where the doctrine must be rightly divided.



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ays “choose”—

He is not saying:

- ☞ "Create life within yourself"
- ☞ "Initiate salvation"

He is saying:

- ☞ **Align with what I have already established**
  - ☞ Walk in what I have revealed
  - ☞ Respond to what I have spoken
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## The Illusion of Independence Removed

When "choose you this day" is taken out of covenant context—

it becomes a foundation for free moral agency.

But when placed correctly:

- ☞ It does not create independence
  - ☞ It reveals **responsibility within relationship**
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## The Heart That Responds

Even in covenant, man does not generate the right response on his own.

**“I will put my law in their inward parts... and write it in their hearts”** (Jeremiah 31:33).

And again:

**“A new heart also will I give you... and I will cause you to walk in my statutes”** (Ezekiel 36:26–27).

So even the ability to respond rightly—

☞ comes from God.

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## The Savior of the World and Covenant Training

This is where the revelation of **Savior of the World** holds everything together.

Because Christ:

- establishes salvation
- initiates life
- brings man into relationship

And within that relationship—

☞ sons are trained.

Not to become saved—

☞ but to **grow in what has been given**

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# The Pattern Is Consistent

Now the pattern becomes clear:

- God establishes covenant
- God reveals His will
- God calls for response
- Man chooses alignment or misalignment
- God uses that process to teach and form

☞ Not independence—

☞ **training within divine relationship**

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## Why This Matters

If this is misunderstood:

- “choose” becomes pressure
- responsibility becomes fear
- obedience becomes striving

But when rightly seen:

☞ choice becomes **participation in growth**

☞ not a condition for acceptance

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## the Stage for the Next Truth

Now the foundation is set:

- ☞ God is sovereign
- ☞ Man is in covenant
- ☞ Choice is response, not origin

But one question still remains:

### ☞ **How does God actually train man through these choices?**

Because Scripture doesn't just say "choose"—

- ☞ it reveals a system.

A law.

A government.

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## **Call to the Reader**

So now the question becomes:

- ☞ If choice is not about originating salvation...
- ☞ if it is about alignment within covenant...

**then how does God use those choices to shape a man?**

The next chapter reveals it clearly:

### ☞ **The Nature of Man and His Limitations**

Because before we understand the process...



we must understand the condition.

# CHAPTER 4 — THE NATURE OF MAN AND HIS LIMITATIONS

## Why the Call to Choose Cannot Mean Independence

We have established:

- God is sovereign
- Man is addressed within covenant
- “Choose you this day” is a call to alignment, not origin

But before we move further, we must settle something foundational:

### What is the condition of man?

Because if man is not rightly understood...

then every command will be misunderstood.

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## In Adam — Not Neutral

Scripture does not present man as starting neutral.

It presents man as being **in Adam**:

**“By one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men”** (Romans 5:12).



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later.

Not chosen individually.

☞ **Passed upon all men.**

And again:

**“For as in Adam all die...”** (1 Corinthians 15:22).

This is universal.

This is inherited.

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## **Born Into a Condition, Not a Choice**

David reveals the depth of this:

**“Behold, I was shapen in iniquity; and in sin did my mother conceive me”** (Psalm 51:5).

This is not behavior.

This is **nature**.

Man does not become a sinner by sinning.

☞ He sins because he is born into a condition.

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## **The Mind Cannot Submit**

This condition affects the very core of man:



**“The carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be”** (Romans 8:7).

Not unwilling alone—

☞ **unable.**

This is critical.

Because it means the mind—the seat of thought and decision—

☞ cannot submit to God on its own.

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## Man Does Not Direct His Own Path

The prophet confirms it:

**“O LORD, I know that the way of man is not in himself: it is not in man that walketh to direct his steps”** (Jeremiah 10:23).

Man is not self-originating.

He is not self-directing.

☞ His path is not in himself.

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## No Man Can Come



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it into perfect clarity:

**“No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him”**  
(John 6:44).

Not *will not*—

☞ **cannot.**

This is not about refusal.

This is about **inability**.

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## Dead in Trespasses

Scripture uses the strongest language possible:

**“You... were dead in trespasses and sins”** (Ephesians 2:1).

Not wounded.

Not struggling.

☞ **Dead.**

And a dead man does not initiate life.

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## Why This Matters for “Choose You This Day”

Now we can see clearly:



- in Adam
- born in sin
- unable to submit
- unable to come
- not directing his own path

Then “choose you this day” cannot mean:

☞ **independent human ability**

It must mean something else.

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## Choice Within Limitation

The call to choose exists—

☞ but it exists within **God-governed limitation**

Man does not:

- create life
- originate truth
- initiate salvation

But within what God reveals—

☞ he responds

☞ he aligns

# The Savior of the World and Human Limitation

This is why the revelation of **Savior of the World** is essential.

Because if man were truly free and capable—

☞ he would not need a Savior

But because man is:

- bound
- limited
- unable

☞ he needs **intervention**

And that intervention is Christ.

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## God Works Within the Limitation

Even within man's condition—

God does not abandon him.

He works within it:

**“For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure”**  
(Philippians 2:13).

So even the response—



☞ is touched by God

## The Balance Holds

Now the balance is preserved:

- ☞ Man is not independent
- ☞ Man is not capable on his own

Yet:

- ☞ Man is addressed
- ☞ Man is called
- ☞ Man is trained

Not because he is free—

- ☞ but because God is working within him
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## Setting the Stage for Order

So now we have established:

- God is sovereign
- Man is in covenant
- Man is limited in nature

The next question becomes:

- ☞ **How does the interaction actually work?**



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and man respond?

What is the order?

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## **Call to the Reader**

If man cannot originate...

If man cannot come on his own...

If man is limited by nature...

👉 then how does anything begin?

The next chapter reveals it clearly:

👉 **God Initiates, Man Responds**

## **CHAPTER 5 — GOD INITIATES, MAN RESPONDS**

### **The Divine Order of Interaction**

By now, the foundation is set:

- God is sovereign
- Man is not independent
- Man is addressed within covenant
- Man is limited by nature



So the question becomes:

☛ **How does anything begin between God and man?**

Scripture answers it with one consistent pattern:

☛ **God initiates. Man responds.**

Not the other way around.

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## He Loved Us First

John makes it unmistakable:

**“We love him, because he first loved us”** (1 John 4:19).

Not:

- We loved Him... then He responded

☛ But:

- He loved... and that love produced response

Even love toward God is not self-originating.

☛ It is a response to what He has already done.

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## Before Coming

Jesus said it plainly:

**“No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him”**  
(John 6:44).

Coming is not the first step.

☞ Drawing is.

Man does not decide to approach God independently.

☞ He is drawn.

And because he is drawn—

☞ he comes.

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## Given Before Receiving

Jesus continues:

**“All that the Father giveth me shall come to me”** (John 6:37).

Notice the order:

- The Father gives
- Then man comes

Not:



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comes → then is given

- ☞ Given first.
  - ☞ Coming second.
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## God Works in the Will Itself

This is where the balance becomes undeniable:

**“For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure”**  
(Philippians 2:13).

Even the will is not untouched.

God works:

- in the desire
- in the movement
- in the action

So when man responds—

- ☞ he is responding within a work God has already begun.
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## Goodness Leads to Repentance

Paul confirms the same flow:

**“The goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance”** (Romans 2:4).



is not self-generated.

☞ It is led.

God's goodness moves first—

☞ and man follows.

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## The Savior of the World Moves First

This is why the revelation of **Savior of the World** is so critical here.

Because Christ does not wait for man to act.

He:

- seeks
- draws
- works
- reveals

☞ The **Savior of the world** initiates the entire process.

“**The Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost**” (Luke 19:10).

Not waiting to be found—

☞ seeking.

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## Response Is Real—But Not Origin



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Man does respond.

- He believes
- He repents
- He obeys
- He chooses

But none of these are the starting point.

☞ They are responses to divine initiation.

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## The Flow Cannot Be Reversed

If this order is reversed—

everything breaks.

If man is seen as initiating:

- grace becomes dependent
- salvation becomes fragile
- pressure replaces rest

But when the order is preserved:

- ☞ God initiates
- ☞ man responds

Then:



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- sovereignty holds

- growth becomes possible
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## The Pattern Across Scripture

This flow appears everywhere:

- God calls Abraham → Abraham goes
- God delivers Israel → Israel is called to obey
- God sends His word → people respond

Never:

☞ Man initiates → God reacts

Always:

☞ **God moves → man responds**

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## Why This Protects the Truth

This keeps both sides intact:

- ☞ Sovereignty is preserved
- ☞ Responsibility is meaningful

Because response is real—

☞ but it is not independent



# Setting the Stage for Choice

Now we are ready to understand “choose you this day” correctly.

Because choice is not:

☞ the beginning

☞ but the response

The question is not:

☞ Does man choose?

But:

☞ **Where does choice fit in the process?**

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## Call to the Reader

If God initiates everything...

If He draws, works, and leads...

☞ then what is man actually choosing?

What does “choose you this day” really mean?

The next chapter brings it into focus:



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**t Responsibility — Where Choice Functions**

# CHAPTER 6 — CHOOSE YOU THIS DAY: COVENANT RESPONSIBILITY

## Where Choice Actually Functions

By now, the order is clear:

- God initiates
- God draws
- God works in the will
- Man responds

So when Scripture says:

**“Choose you this day whom ye will serve”** (Joshua 24:15),

we must ask the right question:

👉 **What is man actually choosing?**

Because if we place this in the wrong category—

it becomes the foundation for independence.

But when placed correctly—

👉 it becomes the foundation for **growth**.

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## Choice Is Not the Beginning



Choice is real.

Scripture is full of it:

**“I have set before you life and death... therefore choose life”** (Deuteronomy 30:19).

But choice is not where life begins.

☞ Life is given.

☞ Truth is revealed.

☞ God moves first.

Choice comes **after** revelation.

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## Choice Is Alignment, Not Creation

When God calls His people to choose—

He is not asking them to create something within themselves.

He is calling them to:

☞ **align with what He has already established**

To:

- walk in truth
- follow His ways
- respond to His word



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# The Call to Obedience

This is why Scripture says:

**“Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only”** (James 1:22).

Hearing comes first.

Then doing.

☞ Response follows revelation.

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And again:

**“Today if ye will hear his voice, harden not your hearts”** (Hebrews 3:15).

The voice is already speaking.

☞ The choice is what to do with it.

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## Willing and Obedient

The prophet makes it simple:

**“If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land”** (Isaiah 1:19–20).

This is not about becoming God’s people.



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...t walking in the benefit of what God has given.

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# Choice Carries Consequence

Now we begin to see why choice matters.

Because choice connects directly to outcome.

Not salvation—

☞ but **experience and growth**

God says:

- choose life → blessing
- choose rebellion → consequence

Not because He loses control—

☞ but because He governs through **order**

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## The Savior of the World and Responsible Sons

This is where the revelation of **Savior of the World** stays intact.

Because Christ:

- initiates salvation
- establishes life
- secures the outcome

But within that salvation—



☞ sons are trained.

Not robots.

Not independent agents.

☞ **sons learning to walk**

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## Choice Without Pressure

When misunderstood, choice creates pressure:

- “Everything depends on me”
- “If I fail, I lose everything”

But when rightly divided:

☞ choice becomes **training, not tension**

You are not choosing:

- whether God will save you

You are choosing:

- how you walk within what He is doing
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## The Government of God in Daily Life

God governs His people through:



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— truth revealed

- choices made
- consequences experienced
- growth produced

This is not chaos.

☞ This is **divine order**

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## The Balance Holds Perfectly

Now the two sides come together:

- ☞ God initiates salvation
- ☞ Man responds in alignment
  
- ☞ God establishes life
- ☞ Man learns to walk in it
  
- ☞ God secures the end
- ☞ Man is trained through the journey

No contradiction.

☞ Only **right placement**

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## Setting the Stage for the Law That Governs It

Now we understand:



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- where it fits
- why it matters

But one question remains:

👉 **How does God actually train man through these choices?**

Because Scripture does not leave this vague.

It reveals a law—

👉 a principle that governs everything.

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## 🔥 **Call to the Reader**

If choice is not the origin...

If it is not independence...

If it is alignment within God's work...

👉 then how does God use it to shape a man?

The next chapter reveals it clearly:

👉 **The Law of Sowing and Reaping**

## 🔥 **CHAPTER 7 — THE LAW OF SOWING**



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## **REAPING**

# God's Government Within Life

We have seen:

- God initiates
- Man responds
- Choice is alignment within covenant

Now we come to the question:

👉 **How does God actually train a man through those choices?**

Scripture answers with a principle that runs from Genesis to Revelation:

👉 **The law of sowing and reaping**

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## A Law That Cannot Be Broken

Paul states it plainly:

**“Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap”** (Galatians 6:7).

This is not suggestion.

This is law.

Just as certain as:

- seed produces after its kind



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follows planting

☞ What is sown will be reaped.

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## Established From the Beginning

This principle is not new.

It was set in motion from the beginning:

**“While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest... shall not cease”** (Genesis 8:22).

Everything God does in the earth follows this pattern:

- seed
- time
- harvest

And man lives within this system.

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## Sowing Is Real, Reaping Is Certain

Scripture repeats this pattern again and again:

**“They that sow the wind shall reap the whirlwind”** (Hosea 8:7).

**“He that soweth iniquity shall reap vanity”** (Proverbs 22:8).

**“Even as I have seen, they that plow iniquity... reap the same”** (Job 4:8).



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☞ This is **cause and effect under God's government.**

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## Not About Earning Salvation

This must be rightly divided.

Sowing and reaping is not:

☞ how man becomes saved

Salvation is:

- of God
- by grace
- initiated by Christ, the **Savior of the World**

But sowing and reaping is:

☞ how man is **trained within life**

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## The Training Ground of Sons

God does not just declare sons—

☞ He forms them.

And He forms them through:



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- learning

When a man sows:

- to the flesh → he reaps corruption
- to the Spirit → he reaps life

**“He that soweth to his flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption; but he that soweth to the Spirit shall of the Spirit reap life everlasting” (Galatians 6:8).**

This is not punishment.

☞ This is **training**.

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## God Allows the Harvest to Teach

Here is where the balance becomes clear.

God remains sovereign—

☞ yet He allows man to **experience what he sows**

Not because He loses control—

☞ but because He is teaching.

The harvest becomes:

- correction
- instruction



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# The Savior of the World and the Harvest Law

The **Savior of the World** secures salvation.

But within that salvation—

☞ He governs growth through sowing and reaping.

He does not:

- remove consequence
- eliminate process

He uses both to form sons.

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## Why This Cannot Be Ignored

If this law is ignored:

☞ people become passive

They say:

- “God will do everything”
- “My choices don’t matter”

But Scripture says otherwise:

☞ **What you sow matters**



# Why This Cannot Be Misused

If this law is misused:

☞ people fall into works

They say:

- "I earn my outcome"
- "I control everything"

But that is not true either.

Because:

- God governs the system
  - God establishes the law
  - God remains the author
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## The Balance of Government

Now we see the full picture:

☞ God is sovereign over the system

☞ Man lives within the system

☞ God determines the law

☞ Man experiences the result

☞ God secures salvation



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ained through consequence

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# The Pattern Is Everywhere

This law runs through all Scripture:

- Israel sows rebellion → reaps captivity
- Israel sows obedience → reaps peace
- Individuals sow actions → reap outcomes

Not because God is absent—

☞ but because God is governing through law

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# The Purpose Is Growth

The goal is not destruction—

☞ it is **formation**

God is not trying to ruin man—

☞ He is teaching him

Every harvest says:

☞ "This is what this produces."

And through that:

☞ wisdom is formed

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# Setting the Stage for Maturity

Now the system is clear:

- God initiates
- Man responds
- Choice aligns
- Sowing produces
- Reaping teaches

The next question becomes:

👉 **What is God forming through all of this?**

Because the goal is not just behavior—

👉 it is **maturity**

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## 🔥 Call to the Reader

If your choices matter...

If what you sow shapes what you reap...

If God is using this process to teach you...

👉 then what is He producing in you?

The next chapter reveals it:



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**Formation, and Sonship**

# 🔥 CHAPTER 8 — GROWTH, FORMATION, AND SONSHIP

## God Is Not Just Saving—He Is Forming

By now, the pattern is clear:

- God initiates
- Man responds
- Choice aligns
- Sowing produces
- Reaping teaches

But this raises a deeper question:

👉 **What is God actually producing through all of this?**

The answer is not behavior modification.

👉 It is **sonship**.

God is not just bringing people into salvation—

👉 He is **forming sons within it**.

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## Led by the Spirit—Not Left Alone

Paul defines it simply:



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... as are led by the Spirit of God, they are the sons of God” (Romans

8:14).

Sons are not independent.

They are:

- led
- guided
- formed

This is not control from a distance—

☞ this is **relationship in motion**

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## Chastening: The Training of Sons

Hebrews makes it unmistakable:

**“For whom the Lord loveth he chasteneth... for what son is he whom the father chasteneth not?”** (Hebrews 12:6–7).

This is not punishment.

☞ This is training.

And the purpose is clear:

**“He for our profit, that we might be partakers of his holiness”** (Hebrews 12:10).

God is not reacting to failure—

☞ He is shaping character.



# Growth Through Process

James reveals how growth happens:

**“Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience. But let patience have her perfect work, that ye may be perfect and entire, wanting nothing”**

(James 1:3–4).

Growth is not instant.

It is:

- worked
- developed
- matured

Through:

- trials
  - choices
  - endurance
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## Adding to What God Has Given

Peter shows the same pattern:

**“Add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge... and to knowledge temperance...”** (2 Peter 1:5–8).

Faith is given.



But growth is built upon it.

☞ Not to earn salvation—

☞ but to **develop within it**

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## Unto the Measure of Maturity

Paul brings it into full view:

**“Till we all come... unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ”** (Ephesians 4:13).

This is the goal:

☞ maturity

☞ fullness

☞ Christ formed in man

God is not stopping at salvation.

☞ He is bringing sons to **completion**

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## The Role of Sowing and Reaping in Formation

Now we see why the law of sowing and reaping exists.

It is not just consequence—

☞ it is **instruction**



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...t teaches:

- what produces life
- what produces corruption
- what aligns with God
- what resists Him

Through this:

☞ sons learn wisdom

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## The Savior of the World and the Formation of Sons

The **Savior of the World** secures salvation.

But He also:

- leads
- corrects
- trains
- forms

He does not just save man from something—

☞ He brings him **into something**

Into:

- maturity
- alignment
- fullness



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# Growth Without Pressure

When misunderstood, growth becomes pressure:

- “I must become something”
- “I must achieve something”

But when rightly seen:

☞ growth is **God working within you**

**“Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it”** (Philippians 1:6).

God begins it.

☞ God completes it.

But He does it through process.

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## The Balance Holds Again

Now the full picture stands:

- ☞ God initiates salvation
- ☞ God sustains the process
- ☞ God completes the work

Yet:



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☞ man learns

☞ man grows

Not independently—

☞ but **within God's operation**

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## Why This Matters

Without this understanding:

- people become stagnant
- or people become striving

But with it:

☞ growth becomes natural

Not forced.

Not avoided.

☞ **embraced**

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## Setting the Stage for Harmony

Now we have seen both sides clearly:

- sovereignty



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and reaping

- growth and formation

The final step is to bring them together:

👉 **without contradiction**

👉 **without confusion**

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## 🔥 **Call to the Reader**

If God is forming sons...

If He is using every part of life to shape you...

If growth is part of His design...

👉 then how do all these truths fit together perfectly?

The next chapter reveals it:

👉 **The Harmony of Sovereignty and Responsibility**

## 🔥 **CHAPTER 9 — THE HARMONY OF SOVEREIGNTY AND RESPONSIBILITY**

### **Not Contradiction—But Order**

By now, we have walked through:



the sovereignty of God

- Man in covenant
- The limitation of human nature
- God initiating and man responding
- The call to choose
- The law of sowing and reaping
- Growth and formation

And yet, for many, one question still lingers:

☞ **How can all of this be true at the same time?**

How can God be fully sovereign...  
and man still be called to act?

The answer is not found in removing one side—

☞ but in placing each in its proper order.

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## Two Truths, One Flow

Scripture does not present two competing systems.

It presents one flow:

☞ **God working... and man responding within that work**

Paul captures both sides in a single passage:

**“Work out your own salvation with fear and trembling.**

**For it is God which worketh in you both to will and to do of his good pleasure”**



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2:12–13).

Man works out.

☞ Because God is working in.

Not contradiction—

☞ **cause and effect**

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## Not of Man—Yet Through Man

We have already seen:

**“So then it is not of him that willeth... but of God that sheweth mercy”** (Romans 9:16).

Salvation is not of man.

And yet:

☞ man believes

☞ man obeys

☞ man walks

How?

Because what is not **of man...**

☞ can still be worked **through man**

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## God Gives the Increase

Paul explains it perfectly:

**“I have planted, Apollos watered; but God gave the increase”** (1 Corinthians 3:6–7).

There is real activity:

- planting
- watering

But the outcome does not come from man.

☞ **God gives the increase**

This is the harmony:

- ☞ man participates
- ☞ God produces

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## Without Him—Nothing

Jesus makes the dependency absolute:

**“Without me ye can do nothing”** (John 15:5).

Not less.

☞ Nothing.

And yet in that same context:



☞ branches bear fruit

Not independently—

☞ but by abiding

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## Laboring According to His Working

Paul describes his own life this way:

**“Whereunto I also labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily”** (Colossians 1:29).

He labors.

He strives.

☞ but not from himself

☞ according to **His working within**

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## The Savior of the World and the Unified Work

This is where the revelation of **Savior of the World** holds everything together.

Because Christ:

- initiates salvation
- sustains the process
- completes the outcome



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☞ man is brought into participation

Not to complete salvation—

☞ but to **walk in what has been established**

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## The Error of Separation

When these truths are separated:

- ☞ Sovereignty alone → passivity
- ☞ Responsibility alone → pressure

But when they are joined:

- ☞ sovereignty gives rest
  - ☞ responsibility gives growth
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## The Correct Order

Now the order is clear:

1. God initiates
2. God works within
3. Man responds
4. Man participates
5. God produces the outcome

☞ This order cannot be reversed



# The Beauty of the Design

This is not confusion.

☞ This is design.

God remains:

- sovereign
- in control
- the author

And man becomes:

- responsive
  - teachable
  - formed
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## The Result: Sons in Alignment

When this harmony is understood:

- striving ends
- passivity ends
- growth begins

Because the believer now lives:

☞ dependent... yet active

☞ resting... yet growing



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...yet walking

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# Setting the Stage for the End

Now everything is in place.

We have:

- established sovereignty
- defined responsibility
- revealed the process
- brought them into harmony

Only one thing remains:

👉 **Where is this all going?**

What is the final outcome?

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## **Call to the Reader**

If God is working in you...

If you are responding within that work...

If both are operating together...

👉 what will the end be?

The final chapter reveals it:

👉 **The End — God All in All**



# CHAPTER 10 — THE END: GOD ALL IN ALL

## The Question That Remains

We have traced the pattern:

- God initiates
- Man responds
- Choice aligns
- Sowing produces
- Reaping teaches
- Growth forms
- Both operate together

Now the final question:

👉 **Where is all of this going?**

What is the outcome of:

- God's sovereignty
  - man's participation
  - the training of sons
  - the work of the **Savior of the World**
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## God's Purpose Does Not Drift

Scripture anchors the end:



**“I am God... declaring the end from the beginning... My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure”** (Isaiah 46:9–10).

This means the process is not random.

It is directed.

☞ God’s purpose is moving toward a defined end.

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## The Certainty of God’s Rule

Daniel confirms the stability of that purpose:

**“He doeth according to his will... and none can stay his hand”** (Daniel 4:35).

Nothing interrupts His rule.

Nothing overturns His intent.

☞ The outcome is not fragile.

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## Christ at the Center

The New Testament centers everything in Christ:

**“For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things”** (Romans 11:36).

That includes:



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Origin

- process
- completion

The work of the **Savior of the World** is not separate from God's purpose—it is how that purpose is carried forward.

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## The Direction of the Story

Paul describes the movement of redemption:

**“For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ shall all be made alive. But every man in his own order”** (1 Corinthians 15:22–23).

Two things stand together:

- A broad scope of life in Christ
- An ordered unfolding

👉 Outcome and process both matter.

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## God's Final Aim

Later in the same chapter:

**“That God may be all in all”** (1 Corinthians 15:28).

This is the end Paul points to.



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ere:

- God's presence fills
- God's rule is acknowledged
- God's purpose is fulfilled

We should be careful not to speculate beyond what is written—but the direction is clear:

☞ God's purpose moves toward fullness under His rule.

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## The Role of Participation in the End

Everything we have seen about:

- choosing
- sowing and reaping
- growth
- formation

is part of how people are shaped within that unfolding purpose.

Not to replace God's work—

☞ but to live within it.

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## The Savior of the World and the Journey

Jesus as the **Savior of the World**:



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- initiates salvation
- brings people in it
- brings them through growth

And through that process:

- ☛ lives are changed
  - ☛ understanding increases
  - ☛ alignment deepens
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## No Conflict in the Design

Now the balance stands without tension:

- ☛ God is sovereign
- ☛ people are responsible within that sovereignty
  
- ☛ God secures the direction
- ☛ people are formed along the way

These are not competing truths.

They are coordinated.

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## What This Means for the Reader

This changes how you live:

- You are not trying to create salvation
- You are not abandoned to figure life out alone

Instead:



- 👉 you live within God's working
  - 👉 you respond to what He reveals
  - 👉 you grow through what you experience
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## 🔥 Final Call

So the question returns one last time:

### 👉 **Will you align with what God is doing?**

Not to earn what He has already initiated—

👉 but to grow within it.

Because the same God who says:

👉 "I will do all my pleasure"

also says:

👉 "Choose you this day."

And when both are seen together:

- pressure lifts
  - clarity comes
  - growth begins
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