

THE SOVEREIGNTY OF MANKIND PART SEVENTEEN

We discussed in Part Fifteen and Sixteen about our Eternal Security in God's Sovereignty. We will look at what gives God total sovereignty over all things by looking at what price he paid for it – The Price of Salvation. The question many of us has asked on numerous occasions is whether or not we should fear that God is going to throw us away. The answer to this question is unequivocally NO! We should never fear that. God gave His Son for us because He loves us, and He wants us to be saved. He did not pay some little, piddly price for us. The price for our salvation was His only Son.

In fact, in Ephesians chapter 1 we find that before the foundation of the world God had divinely chosen us, gave us redemption and provide our inheritance in the heavenly places. This means that as redeemed citizens of the heavens we can receive these eternal blessing while we are living our life eternal on this Earth. Seeing that God chose us, redeemed us and gave us an inheritance before the foundation of the world should prove to us the price He knew He was going to pay before His creation shows the enormous price in His mind He had to deal with knowing we would curse and crucify Him but Jhe loved us to forgive us even before His time was to come.

We matter to God more than we can ever imagine. Do you realize that? We matter to God, and He does not want to lose us. God is no twilling that anybody should perish. He wants us to be saved more than we want to be saved. He wants us to be with Him. The problem is not God's love for us. The problem is our willingness to trust in His love and to give our lives completely into His hands.

What if we sin? Then we ask for forgiveness. We run to Christ immediately and seek forgiveness and cleansing and healing. Proverbs 24:!6 says, "For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again:" The writer of Hebrews knew the incredible grace of God. He urged us:

"15 For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. 16 Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need."

Hebrews 4:15-16