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For a Christian, most of our perceptions about the circumstances in our lives comes from our view of God. When we only receive a portion of Who He is, then it minimizes how He can communicate with us, and how we perceive what He is saying.

For several years I have had the longing for and been praying about coming into the promise of His sabbath rest. That promise comes from the section of scripture in Hebrews 4. As defined there, sabbath rest is when we believe God. If we believe Him, we are able to rest in Him. I have studied and studied that and have finally found the key to understand what it means to believe God. In order to believe God, we must believe Who He is.

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When wrestling with the evil in the spirit world and evil in man's world, it is hard to put it all together with the loving God that we know. In my search, this led me to accept His absolute Sovereignty, for I found no rest without this basic and most important understanding of the wonderful and absolute God we serve. There is such comfort in knowing that He rules over all.

In the following scriptures it is very clear that God Himself, men inspired by Him, and Biblical records of historical events declare that He is Sovereign. The word sovereign means all ruling. He created everything, and everything created serves His purpose. Nothing takes place without His permission. When a believer couples this knowledge with His love, they can indeed trust they are in good care.

2 Tim 3:16-17 NKJV

All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, 17 that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Mark 12:24 NKJV

Jesus answered and said to them, "Are you not therefore mistaken, because you do not know the Scriptures nor the power of God?

CREATOR

1. GOD IS THE CREATOR OF ALL THINGS

Gen 1:1 KJV

In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.

Neh 9:6 NKJV

You alone are the LORD; You have made heaven, the heaven of heavens, with all their host, the earth and everything on it, the seas and all that is in them, and You preserve them all. The host of heaven worships You.

Job 38:4-7 NKJV

Where were you when I laid the foundations of the earth? Tell Me, if you have understanding. 5 Who determined its measurements? Surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? 6 To what were its foundations fastened? Or who

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laid its cornerstone, 7 When the morning stars sang together, and all the sons of God shouted for joy?

Ps 8:3-4 NKJV

When I consider Your heavens, the work of Your fingers, the moon and the stars, which You have ordained, 4 What is man that You are mindful of him, and the son of man that You visit him?

Ps 33:6-9 NKJV

By the word of the LORD the heavens were made, and all the host of them by the breath of His mouth. 7 He gathers the waters of the sea together as a heap; He lays up the deep in storehouses. 8 Let all the earth fear the LORD; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. 9 For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast

Ps 148:5 NLT

Let every created thing give praise to the LORD, for he issued his command, and they came into being.

Ps 89:11 NKJV

The heavens are Yours, the earth also is Yours; The world and all its fullness, You have founded them.

Ps 102:25 NKJV

Of old You laid the foundation of the earth, and the heavens are the work of Your hands.

Ps 104:24 NKJV

O LORD, how manifold are Your works! In wisdom You have made them all. The earth is full of Your possessions--

Ps 104:30 NKJV

You send forth Your Spirit, they are created; And You renew the face of the earth.

Ps 115:15-16 NKJV

May you be blessed by the LORD, Who made heaven and earth. 16 The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's; But the earth He has given to the children of men.

Ps 121:2 NKJV

My help comes from the LORD, Who made heaven and earth.

Ps 124:8 NKJV

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Ps 134:3 NKJV

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The LORD who made heaven and earth Bless you from Zion!

Ps 136:5-9 NKJV

5 To Him who by wisdom made the heavens, for His mercy endures forever; 6 To Him who laid out the earth above the waters, for His mercy endures forever; 7 To Him who made great lights, for His mercy endures forever-- 8 The sun to rule by day, for His mercy endures forever; 9 The moon and stars to rule by night, for His mercy endures forever.

Ps 146:5-6 NKJV

Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help, Whose hope is in the LORD his God, 6 Who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is in them; Who keeps truth forever.

Prov 3:19 NKJV

The LORD by wisdom founded the earth; By understanding He established the heavens:

Isa 37:16 NKJV

O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, the One who dwells between the cherubim, You are God, You alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth. You have made heaven and earth.

Isa 40:26 NKJV

Lift up your eyes on high, and see Who has created these things, Who brings out their host by number; He calls them all by name, by the greatness of His might and the strength of His power; Not one is missing.

Isa 40:28 NKJV

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, Neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable.

Isa 42:5 NKJV

Thus says God the LORD, Who created the heavens and stretched them out, Who spread forth the earth and that which comes from it, Who gives breath to the people on it, and spirit to those who walk on it:

Isa 43:1 NKJV

But now, thus says the LORD, who created you, O Jacob, and He who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by your name; You are Mine.

Isa 44:24 NKJV

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Thus says the LORD, your Redeemer, and He who formed you from the womb: "I am the LORD, who makes all things, Who stretches out the heavens all alone, Who spreads abroad the earth by Myself;

Isa 45:8 NKJV

Rain down, you heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness; Let the earth open, let them bring forth salvation, And let righteousness spring up together. I, the LORD, have created it.

Isa 45:12 NKJV

I have made the earth, and created man on it. I--My hands-stretched out the heavens, and all their host I have commanded.

Isa 45:18 NKJV

For thus says the LORD, Who created the heavens, Who is God, Who formed the earth and made it, Who has established it, Who did not create it in vain, Who formed it to be inhabited: "I am the LORD, and there is no other.

Isa 51:12-13 NKJV

I, even I, am He who comforts you. Who are you that you should be afraid of a man who will die, and of the son of a man who will be made like grass? 13 And you forget the LORD your Maker, Who stretched out the heavens and laid the foundations of the earth;

Jer 10:12 NKJV

He has made the earth by His power, He has established the world by His wisdom, and has stretched out the heavens at His discretion.

Jer 32:17 NKJV

Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too hard for You.

Jer 51:15 NLT

He made the earth by his power, and he preserves it by his wisdom. He has stretched out the heavens by his understanding.

Zech 12:1 NLT

This message is from the LORD, who stretched out the heavens, laid the foundations of the earth, and formed the spirit within humans.

Mal 2:10 NKJV

Have we not all one Father? Has not one God created us?

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Mark 13:19-20 NKJV

For in those days there will be tribulation, such as has not been from the beginning of creation which God created until this time, nor ever shall be. 20 And unless the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect's sake, whom He chose, He shortened the days.

Acts 4:24 NKJV

So when they heard that, they raised their voice to God with one accord and said: "Lord, You are God, who made heaven and earth and the sea, and all that is in them,

Acts 17:25 NKJV

Nor is He worshiped with men's hands, as though He needed anything, since He gives to all life, breath, and all things.

Rom 1:19-20 NLT

For the truth about God is known to them instinctively. God has put this knowledge in their hearts. 20 From the time the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky and all that God made. They can clearly see his invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse whatsoever for not knowing God.

Rom 11:36 NLT

For everything comes from him; everything exists by his power and is intended for his glory. To him be glory evermore. Amen.

1 Cor 8:6 NLT

But we know that there is only one God, the Father, who created everything, and we exist for him. And there is only one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom God made everything and through whom we have been given life.

Eph 3:9 NKJV

And to make all see what is the fellowship of the mystery, which from the beginning of the ages has been hidden in God who created all things through Jesus Christ;

Col 1:16-17 NKJV

For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17 And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist.

Heb 1:2 NLT

But now in these final days, he has spoken to us through his Son. God promised everything to the Son as an

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inheritance, and through the Son he made the universe and everything in it.

Heb 3:3-4 NLT

But Jesus deserves far more glory than Moses, just as a person who builds a fine house deserves more praise than the house itself. 4 For every house has a builder, but God is the one who made everything.

Heb 11:3 NLT

By faith we understand that the entire universe was formed at God's command, that what we now see did not come from anything that can be seen.

2 Peter 3:5 NLT

They deliberately forget that God made the heavens by the word of his command, and he brought the earth up from the water and surrounded it with water.

Rev 4:11 NKJV

You are worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power; For You created all things, and by Your will they exist and were created."

Rev 10:5-6 NKJV

The angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised up his hand to heaven 6 and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and the things that are in it, the earth and the things that are in it, and the sea and the things that are in it, that there should be delay no longer.

Rev 14:7 NKJV

Saying with a loud voice, "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water."

Rev 21:6 NKJV

And He said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End.

ALL THINGS

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Rom 11:36 KJV

For of him, and through him, and to him, are all things: to whom be glory forever. Amen.

1 Cor 8:6 NKJV

Yet for us there is one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we for Him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, through whom are all things, and through whom we live.

Heb 2:10 NKJV

For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things.

Acts 17:28 KJV

For in him we live, and move, and have our being; as certain also of your own poets have said, For we are also his offspring.

Eph 4:6 KJV

One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

ALL POWERFUL

3. GOD IS ALL-POWERFUL

~~ He is the All Powerful, All Ruling One ~~

Rev 19:5-6 NKJV

Then a voice came from the throne, saying, "Praise our God, all you His servants and those who fear Him, both small and great!" 6 And I heard, as it were, the voice of a great multitude, as the sound of many waters and as the sound of mighty thunderings, saying, "Alleluia! For the Lord God Omnipotent reigns!

The Greek word omnipotent means that God is all ruling: NT:3841

pantokrator (pan-tok-rat'-ore); from NT:3956 and NT:2904; the all-ruling, i.e. God (as absolute and universal sovereign):

KJV - Almighty, Omnipotent.

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The very fact that He sits upon a throne says that He rules. That throne is suspended over all creation. He is so big that earth is His footstool. (How big of a foot can rest upon the earth?)

Acts 7:49-50 NKJV

Heaven is My throne, And earth is My footstool. What house will you build for Me? says the LORD, Or what is the place of My rest? 50 Has My hand not made all these things?

Isa 40:14 NLT

No, for all the nations of the world are nothing in comparison with him. They are but a drop in the bucket, dust on the scales. He picks up the islands as though they had no weight at all. Isa 40:22 NLT

It is God who sits above the circle of the earth. The people below must seem to him like grasshoppers! He is the one who spreads out the heavens like a curtain and makes his tent from them.

~~ What He Named Himself - El Shadday, the Almighty God ~~

One of the names of God is El Shadday. This means He is almighty, powerful and all ruling. God defined Himself when He said "I AM the Almighty God!"

Gen 17:1 KJV

And when Abram was ninety years old and nine, the LORD appeared to Abram, and said unto him, I am the Almighty God; walk before me, and be thou perfect.

Genesis 35:11

And God said unto him, I am God Almighty: be fruitful and multiply; a nation and a company of nations shall be of thee, and kings shall come out of thy loins; KJV

Exodus 6:3

And I appeared unto Abraham, unto Isaac, and unto Jacob, by the name of God Almighty, but by my name JEHOVAH was I not known to them.

KJV

Hebrew for Almighty

OT:7706

Shadday (shad-dah'-ee); from OT:7703; the Almighty: KJV - Almighty.

OT:7703

shadad (shaw-dad'); a primitive root; properly, to be burly, i.e. (figuratively) powerful (passively, impregnable); by implication, to ravage:

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KJV - dead, destroy (-er), oppress, robber, spoil (-er), X utterly, (lay) waste.

Rev 1:8 KJV

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

NT:3841

pantokrator (pan-tok-rat'-ore); from NT:3956 and NT:2904; the all-ruling, i.e. God (as absolute and universal sovereign):

KJV - Almighty, Omnipotent.

NT:2904

kratos (krat'-os); perhaps a primary word; vigor ["great"] (literally or figuratively):

KJV - dominion, might [-ily], power, strength.

Scriptures using #3841, God is all ruling: 2 Cor 6:18, Rev 1:8, Rev 4:8, Rev 11:17, Rev 15:3, Rev 16:7, Rev 16:14, Rev 19:6, Rev 19:15, Rev 21:22

~~ What Others Said of His Power ~~

Ps 62:11 NKJV

God has spoken once, Twice I have heard this: That power belongs to God.

Heb 1:3 NAS

And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature, and upholds all things by the word of His power.

Deut 3:23 NKJV

O Lord GOD, You have begun to show Your servant Your greatness and Your mighty hand, for what god is there in heaven or on earth who can do anything like Your works and Your mighty deeds?

Ps 65:5-7 NKJV

By awesome deeds in righteousness You will answer us, O God of our salvation, You who are the confidence of all the ends of the earth, And of the far-off seas; 6 Who established the mountains by His strength, Being clothed with power; 7 You who still the noise of the seas, The noise of their waves, And the tumult of the peoples.

Jer 32:17 NKJV

Ah, Lord GOD! Behold, You have made the heavens and the earth by Your great power and outstretched arm. There is nothing too hard for You.

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Matt 6:13 NKJV

And do not lead us into temptation, But deliver us from the evil one. For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

Eph 3:20-21 NKJV

Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, 21 to Him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.

Rom 1:20 NLT

From the time the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky and all that God made. They can clearly see his invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse whatsoever for not knowing God.

Eph 1:19-21 NLT

I pray that you will begin to understand the incredible greatness of his power for us who believe him. This is the same mighty power 20 that raised Christ from the dead and seated him in the place of honor at God's right hand in the heavenly realms. 21 Now he is far above any ruler or authority or power or leader or anything else in this world or in the world to come.

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~~ Mary & Elizabeth ~~

Luke 1:35-37 NLT

The angel replied, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you. So the baby born to you will be holy, and he will be called the Son of God. 36 What's more, your relative Elizabeth has become pregnant in her old age! People used to say she was barren, but she's already in her sixth month. 37 For nothing is impossible with God."

~~ Joseph ~~

Gen 50:20 NKJV

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But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.

Ps 105:17-19 KJV

He sent a man before them, even Joseph, who was sold for a servant: Whose feet they hurt with fetters: he was laid in iron: 19 Until the time that his word came: the word of the LORD tried him.

~~ The Egyptians ~~

Exodus 14:17 KJV

And I, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians, and they shall follow them: and I will get me honour upon Pharaoh, and upon all his host, upon his chariots, and upon his horsemen.

Isa 19:2-4 NLT

I will make the Egyptians fight against each other--brother against brother, neighbor against neighbor, city against city, province against province. 3 The Egyptians will lose heart, and I will confuse their plans. They will plead with their idols for wisdom. They will call on spirits, mediums, and psychics to show them which way to turn. 4 I will hand Egypt over to a hard, cruel master, to a fierce king," says the Lord, the LORD Almighty.

~~ Israel's Enemies ~~

Josh 11:20 KJV

For it was of the LORD to harden their hearts, that they should come against Israel in battle, that he might destroy them utterly, and that they might have no favour, but that he might destroy them, as the LORD commanded Moses.

~~ Saul ~~

1 Sam 19:23-24 NLT

But on the way to Naioth the Spirit of God came upon Saul, and he, too, began to prophesy! 24 He tore off his clothes and lay on the ground all day and all night, prophesying in the presence of Samuel. The people who were watching exclaimed, "What? Is Saul a prophet, too?"

~~ Israel ~~

Isa 6:10 NKJV

Make the heart of this people dull, and their ears heavy, and shut their eyes; Lest they see with their eyes, and hear with their ears, and understand with their heart, and return and be healed.

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Isa 64:8 NKJV

But now, O LORD, You are our Father; We are the clay, and You our potter;

And all we are the work of Your hand.

Isaiah 63:17 KJV

O LORD, why hast thou made us to err from thy ways, and hardened our heart from thy fear? Return for thy servants' sake, the tribes of thine inheritance.

Jer 18:5-6 NLT

Then the LORD gave me this message: 6 "O Israel, can I not do to you as this potter has done to his clay? As the clay is in the potter's hand, so are you in my hand.

Jer 32:38 NLT

And I will give them one heart and mind to worship me forever, for their own good and for the good of all their descendants.

John 12:40 KJV

He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.

~~ The priests and Levites ~~

Ezra 1:5-6 NLT

Then God stirred the hearts of the priests and Levites and the leaders of the tribes of Judah and Benjamin to return to Jerusalem to rebuild the Temple of the LORD. 6 And all their neighbors assisted by giving them vessels of silver and gold, supplies for the journey, and livestock. They gave them many choice gifts in addition to all the freewill offerings.

~~ The mother from Shunem ~~

2 Kings 8:5 NLT

And Gehazi was telling the king about the time Elisha had brought a boy back to life. At that very moment, the mother of the boy walked in to make her appeal to the king. "Look, my lord!" Gehazi exclaimed. "Here is the woman now, and this is her son--the very one Elisha brought back to life!"

~~ Job ~~

Job 23:13-14 NLT

Nevertheless, his mind concerning me remains unchanged, and who can turn him from his purposes? Whatever he

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wants to do, he does. 14 So he will do for me all he has planned. He controls my destiny.

~~ Jonah ~~

Jonah 1:2 & 17 NLJV

But Jonah arose to flee to Tarshish from the presence of the LORD... 17 Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights.

~~ John The Baptist ~~

John 3:27-28 NLT

John replied, "God in heaven appoints each person's work. 28 You yourselves know how plainly I told you that I am not the Messiah. I am here to prepare the way for him--that is all.

~~ Jesus ~~

Matt 26:36-39 NLT

Then Jesus brought them to an olive grove called Gethsemane, and he said, "Sit here while I go on ahead to pray." 37 He took Peter and Zebedee's two sons, James and John, and he began to be filled with anguish and deep distress. 38 He told them, "My soul is crushed with grief to the point of death. Stay here and watch with me." 39 He went on a little farther and fell face down on the ground, praying, "My Father! If it is possible, let this cup of suffering be taken away from me. Yet I want your will, not mine."

~~ Peter ~~

John 21:18-19 NKJV

Most assuredly, I say to you, when you were younger, you girded yourself and walked where you wished; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish." 19 This He spoke, signifying by what death he would glorify God. And when He had spoken this, He said to him, "Follow Me."

~~ Paul ~~

Acts 9:4-6 NKJV

Then he fell to the ground, and heard a voice saying to him, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?" 5 And he said, "Who are You, Lord?" And the Lord said, "I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. It is hard for you to kick against the goads."

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2 Cor 12:7-10 NKJV

And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. 8 Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. 9 And He said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness." Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me. 10 Therefore I take pleasure in infirmities, in reproaches, in needs, in persecutions, in distresses, for Christ's sake. For when I am weak, then I am strong.

~~ The Elect ~~

Ps 37:23 NLT

The steps of the godly are directed by the LORD. He delights in every detail of their lives.

Rom 8:28-30 NKJV

And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. 29 For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. 30 Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.

Phil 2:13 NLT

For God is working in you, giving you the desire to obey him and the power to do what pleases him.

Matt 10:19-20 NLT

When you are arrested, don't worry about what to say in your defense, because you will be given the right words at the right time. 20 For it won't be you doing the talking--it will be the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.

Eph 1:11-12 NKJV

In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will, 12 that we who first trusted in Christ should be to the praise of His glory.

~~ The Lawless Ones ~~

2 Thess 2:7-12 NLT

For this lawlessness is already at work secretly, and it will remain secret until the one who is holding it back steps out of the way. 8 Then the man of lawlessness will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will consume with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming. 9 This

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evil man will come to do the work of Satan with counterfeit power and signs and miracles. 10 He will use every kind of wicked deception to fool those who are on their way to destruction because they refuse to believe the truth that would save them. 11 So God will send great deception upon them, and they will believe all these lies. 12 Then they will be condemned for not believing the truth and for enjoying the evil they do.

~~ All men ~~

1 Sam 2:8-10 NLT

"For all the earth is the LORD's, and he has set the world in order. 9 He will protect his godly ones, but the wicked will perish in darkness. No one will succeed by strength alone. 10 Those who fight against the LORD will be broken. He thunders against them from heaven; the LORD judges throughout the earth. He gives mighty strength to his king; he increases the might of his anointed one."

Prov 16:1 KJVV

The preparations of the heart belong to man, but the answer of the tongue is from the LORD.

Ps 33:8-11 NKJV

Let all the earth fear the LORD; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. 9 For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast. 10 The LORD brings the counsel of the nations to nothing; He makes the plans of the peoples of no effect. 11 The counsel of the LORD stands forever, The plans of His heart to all generations.

Prov 16:9 NKJV

A man's heart plans his way, but the LORD directs his steps.

Prov 19:21 NLT

You can make many plans, but the LORD's purpose will prevail.

Prov 20:24 NKJV

A man's steps are of the LORD; How then can a man understand his own way?

Prov 21:30 NLT

Human plans, no matter how wise or well advised, cannot stand against the LORD.

Jer 10:23 NLT

I know, LORD, that a person's life is not his own. No one is able to plan his own course.

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Isa 14:26-27 NLT

I have a plan for the whole earth, for my mighty power reaches throughout the world. 27 The LORD Almighty has spoken--who can change his plans? When his hand moves, who can stop him?"

Isa 29:15-16 NLT

Destruction is certain for those who try to hide their plans from the LORD, who try to keep him in the dark concerning what they do! "The LORD can't see us," you say to yourselves. "He doesn't know what is going on!" 16 How stupid can you be? He is the Potter, and he is certainly greater than you. You are only the jars he makes! Should the thing that was created say to the one who made it, "He didn't make us"? Does a jar ever say, "The potter who made me is stupid"?

Romans 9:18 KJV

Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will have mercy, and whom he will he hardeneth.

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~~ All Kings ~~

Prov 21:1 NKJV

The king's heart is in the hand of the LORD, like the rivers of water; He turns it wherever He wishes.

Ps 2:1-4 NKJV

Why do the nations rage, and the people plot a vain thing? 2 The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying, 3 "Let us break Their bonds in pieces and cast away Their cords from us." 4 He who sits in the heavens shall laugh; The LORD shall hold them in derision.

~~ Pharoah ~~

Ex 4:21 NKJV

And the LORD said to Moses, "When you go back to Egypt, see that you do all those wonders before Pharaoh which I

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have put in your hand. But I will harden his heart, so that he will not let the people go.

Exodus 10:1 KJV

And the LORD said unto Moses, Go in unto Pharaoh: for I have hardened his heart, and the heart of his servants, that I might shew these my signs before him:

Pharoah's heart was hardened: Exodus 4:21, 7:3, 7:13, 14, 7:22, 8:15, 8:19, 8:32, 9:7, 9:12, 9:34, 9:35, 10:20, 10:27, 11:10, 14:4, 14:8

Ex 9:16 NLT

But I have let you live for this reason--that you might see my power and that my fame might spread throughout the earth.

~~ Sihon king of Heshbon ~~

Deuteronomy 2:30 KJV

But Sihon king of Heshbon would not let us pass by him: for the LORD thy God hardened his spirit, and made his heart obstinate, that he might deliver him into thy hand, as appeareth this day.

~~ Ahab ~~

1 Kings 22:19-23 NLT

Then Micaiah continued, "Listen to what the LORD says! I saw the LORD sitting on his throne with all the armies of heaven around him, on his right and on his left. 20 And the LORD said, 'Who can entice Ahab to go into battle against Ramoth-gilead so that he can be killed there?' There were many suggestions, 21 until finally a spirit approached the LORD and said, 'I can do it!' 22 " 'How will you do this?' the LORD asked. "And the spirit replied, 'I will go out and inspire all Ahab's prophets to speak lies.' " 'You will succeed,' said the LORD. 'Go ahead and do it.' 23 "So you see, the LORD has put a lying spirit in the mouths of your prophets. For the LORD has determined disaster for you."

~~ Saul ~~

1 Sam 16:14-16 NLT

Now the Spirit of the LORD had left Saul, and the LORD sent a tormenting spirit that filled him with depression and fear. 15 Some of Saul's servants suggested a remedy. "It is clear that a spirit from God is tormenting you," they said. 16 "Let us find a good musician to play the harp for you whenever the tormenting spirit is bothering you. The harp music will quiet you, and you will soon be well again."

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1 Chron 29:11-12 NLT

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, the power, the glory, the victory, and the majesty. Everything in the heavens and on earth is yours, O LORD, and this is your kingdom. We adore you as the one who is over all things. 12 Riches and honor come from you alone, for you rule over everything. Power and might are in your hand, and it is at your discretion that people are made great and given strength.

~~ Amaziah ~~

2 Chron 25:16 NKJV

So it was, as he talked with him, that the king said to him, "Have we made you the king's counselor? Cease! Why should you be killed?" Then the prophet ceased, and said, "I know that God has determined to destroy you, because you have done this and have not heeded my advice."

~~ Solomon ~~

1 Chron 22:6-10 NLT

Then David sent for his son Solomon and instructed him to build a Temple for the LORD, the God of Israel. 7 "I wanted to build a Temple to honor the name of the LORD my God," David told him. 8 "But the LORD said to me, `You have killed many men in the great battles you have fought. And since you have shed so much blood before me, you will not be the one to build a Temple to honor my name. 9 But you will have a son who will experience peace and rest. I will give him peace with his enemies in all the surrounding lands. His name will be Solomon, and I will give peace and quiet to Israel during his reign. 10 He is the one who will build a Temple to honor my name. He will be my son, and I will be his father. And I will establish the throne of his kingdom over Israel forever.'

~~ Rehoboam ~~

2 Chron 10:13-15 NLT

But Rehoboam spoke harshly to them, for he rejected the advice of the older counselors 14 and followed the counsel of his younger advisers. He told the people, "My father was harsh on you, but I'll be even harsher! My father used whips on you, but I'll use scorpions!" 15 So the king paid no attention to the people's demands. This turn of events was the will of God, for it fulfilled the prophecy of the LORD spoken to Jeroboam son of Nebat by the prophet Ahijah from Shiloh.

~~ Nebuchadnezzar ~

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"But all these things did happen to King Nebuchadnezzar. 29 Twelve months later, he was taking a walk on the flat roof of the royal palace in Babylon. 30 As he looked out across the city, he said, 'Just look at this great city of Babylon! I, by my own mighty power, have built this beautiful city as my royal residence and as an expression of my royal splendor.' 31 "While he was still speaking these words, a voice called down from heaven, 'O King Nebuchadnezzar, this message is for you! You are no longer ruler of this kingdom. 32 You will be driven from human society. You will live in the fields with the wild animals, and you will eat grass like a cow. Seven periods of time will pass while you live this way, until you learn that the Most High rules over the kingdoms of the world and gives them to anyone he chooses.' 33 "That very same hour the prophecy was fulfilled, and Nebuchadnezzar was driven from human society. He ate grass like a cow, and he was drenched with the dew of heaven. He lived this way until his hair was as long as eagles' feathers and his nails were like birds' claws.

34 "After this time had passed, I, Nebuchadnezzar, looked up to heaven. My sanity returned, and I praised and worshiped the Most High and honored the one who lives forever. His rule is everlasting, and his kingdom is eternal. 35 All the people of the earth are nothing compared to him. He has the power to do as he pleases among the angels of heaven and with those who live on earth. No one can stop him or challenge him, saying, `What do you mean by doing these things?' 36 "When my sanity returned to me, so did my honor and glory and kingdom. My advisers and officers sought me out, and I was reestablished as head of my kingdom, with even greater honor than before. 37 "Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and glorify and honor the King of heaven. All his acts are just and true, and he is able to humble those who are proud."

Jer 27:4-6 NLT

By my great power I have made the earth and all its people and every animal. I can give these things of mine to anyone I choose. 6 Now I will give your countries to King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon, who is my servant. I have put everything, even the wild animals, under his control.

~~Ahaz ~~

Isa 7:5-7 NLT

Yes, the kings of Aram and Israel are coming against you. They are saying, `We will invade Judah and throw its people into panic. Then we will fight our way into Jerusalem and install the son of Tabeel as Judah's king.' 7 "But this is

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what the Sovereign LORD says: This invasion will never happen...

~~ Hezekiah ~~

Isa 38:1-8 NLT

About that time Hezekiah became deathly ill, and the prophet Isaiah son of Amoz went to visit him. He gave the king this message: "This is what the LORD says: Set your affairs in order, for you are going to die. You will not recover from this illness." 2 When Hezekiah heard this, he turned his face to the wall and prayed to the LORD, 3 "Remember, O LORD, how I have always tried to be faithful to you and do what is pleasing in your sight." Then he broke down and wept bitterly.

4 Then this message came to Isaiah from the LORD: 5 "Go back to Hezekiah and tell him, `This is what the LORD, the God of your ancestor David, says: I have heard your prayer and seen your tears. I will add fifteen years to your life, 6 and I will rescue you and this city from the king of Assyria. Yes, I will defend this city. 7 " `And this is the sign that the LORD will give you to prove he will do as he promised: 8 I will cause the sun's shadow to move ten steps backward on the sundial of Ahaz!' " So the shadow on the sundial moved backward ten steps.

~~ Artaxerxes ~~

Ezra 7:27-28 NKJV

Blessed be the LORD God of our fathers, who has put such a thing as this in the king's heart, to beautify the house of the LORD which is in Jerusalem, 28 and has extended mercy to me before the king and his counselors, and before all the king's mighty princes.

~~ Herod Antipas, Pontius Pilatem the Gentiles and Israel ~~

Acts 4:27-28 NLT

That is what has happened here in this city! For Herod Antipas, Pontius Pilate the governor, the Gentiles, and the people of Israel were all united against Jesus, your holy servant, whom you anointed. 28 In fact, everything they did occurred according to your eternal will and plan.

~~ Pilate ~~

John 19:10-11 NKJV

Then Pilate said to Him, "Are You not speaking to me? Do You not know that I have power to crucify You, and power to release You?" 11 <u>Jesus answered, "You could have no power at all against Me unless it had been given you from above.</u>

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Job 23:13-15 NLT

Nevertheless, his mind concerning me remains unchanged, and who can turn him from his purposes? Whatever he wants to do, he does. 14 So he will do for me all he has planned. He controls my destiny.

Ps 33:8-9 NKJV

Let all the earth fear the LORD; Let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of Him. 9 For He spoke, and it was done; He commanded, and it stood fast.

Psalms 33:9-11 KJV

For he spake, and it was done; he commanded, and it stood fast. 10 The LORD bringeth the counsel of the heathen to nought: he maketh the devices of the people of none effect. 11 The counsel of the LORD standeth for ever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

Psalms 115:3 KJV

But our God is in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.

Psalms 135:6 KJV

Whatsoever the LORD pleased, that did he in heaven, and in earth, in the seas, and all deep places.

Eccl 6:10 NLT

Everything has already been decided. It was known long ago what each person would be. So there's no use arguing with God about your destiny.

Lam 3:37-39 NLT

Can anything happen without the Lord's permission? 38 Is it not the Most High who helps one and harms another?

Job 9:3-4 NLT

If someone wanted to take God to court, would it be possible to answer him even once in a thousand times? 4

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For God is so wise and so mighty. Who has ever challenged him successfully?

Isaiah 14:24-27 NLT

The LORD Almighty has sworn this oath: "It will all happen as I have planned. It will come about according to my purposes. 25 I will break the Assyrians when they are in Israel; I will trample them on my mountains. My people will no longer be their slaves. 26 I have a plan for the whole earth, for my mighty power reaches throughout the world. 27 The LORD Almighty has spoken--who can change his plans? When his hand moves, who can stop him?"

Isa 45:9-10 NKJV

"Woe to him who strives with his Maker! Let the potsherd strive with the potsherds of the earth! Shall the clay say to him who forms it, 'What are you making?' Or shall your handiwork say, 'He has no hands'? 10 Woe to him who says to his father, 'What are you begetting?' Or to the woman, 'What have you brought forth?'"

Isaiah 46:10-11 KJV

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: 11 Calling a ravenous bird from the east, the man that executeth my counsel from a far country: yea, I have spoken it, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed it, I will also do it.

Isa 46:8-10 NLT

Do not forget this, you guilty ones. 9 And do not forget the things I have done throughout history. For I am God--I alone! I am God, and there is no one else like me. 10 Only I can tell you what is going to happen even before it happens. Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish.

Dan 4:35 NKJV

All the inhabitants of the earth are reputed as nothing; He does according to His will in the army of heaven and among the inhabitants of the earth. No one can restrain His hand Or say to Him, "What have You done?"

Jer 1:6-7 NLT

"O Sovereign LORD," I said, "I can't speak for you! I'm too young!" 7 "Don't say that," the LORD replied, "for you must go wherever I send you and say whatever I tell you.

Matthew 11:25-26 KJV

At that time Jesus answered and said, I thank thee, O Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because thou hast hid these things from the wise and prudent, and hast revealed

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them unto babes. 26 Even so, Father: for so it seemed good in thy sight.

Acts 4:28 NKJV

To do whatever Your hand and Your purpose determined before to be done.

Ephesians 1:11 NKJV

In Him also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestined according to the purpose of Him who works all things according to the counsel of His will,

Rom 9:19-21 NKJV

You will say to me then, "Why does He still find fault? For who has resisted His will?" 20 But indeed, O man, who are you to reply against God? Will the thing formed say to him who formed it, "Why have you made me like this?" 21 Does not the potter have power over the clay, from the same lump to make one vessel for honor and another for dishonor?



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Isa 27:1 KJV

In that day the LORD with his sore and great and strong sword shall punish leviathan the piercing serpent, even leviathan that crooked serpent; and he shall slay the dragon that is in the sea.

John 12:31 KJV

Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out.

John 16:8-11 NKJV

And when He has come, He will convict the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment: 9 of sin, because they do not believe in Me; 10 of righteousness, because I go to My Father and you see Me no more; 11 of judgment, because the ruler of this world is judged.

Rom 16:20 NKJV

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And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.

Heb 2:14 NKJV

Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil, 15 and release those who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage.

Rev 12:10 NKJV

So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

Rev 20:2-3 KJV

And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, 3 And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

Rev 20:14 KJV

And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

Rev 20:10 KJV

And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

~~ satan must ask permission ~~

Luke 22:31-32 KJV

And the Lord said, Simon, Simon, behold, Satan hath desired to have you, that he may sift you as wheat: 32 But I have prayed for thee, that thy faith fail not: and when thou art converted, strengthen thy brethren.

Job 1:9-12 NKJV

So Satan answered the LORD and said, "Does Job fear God for nothing? 10 Have You not made a hedge around him, around his household, and around all that he has on every side? You have blessed the work of his hands, and his possessions have increased in the land. 11 But now, stretch out Your hand and touch all that he has, and he will surely curse You to Your face!" 12 So the LORD said to Satan, "Behold, all that he has is in your power; only do not

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lay a hand on his person." So Satan went out from the presence of the LORD.

Zech 3:1-2 NKJV

Then he showed me Joshua the high priest standing before the Angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to oppose him. 2 And the LORD said to Satan, "The LORD rebuke you, Satan! The LORD who has chosen Jerusalem rebuke you! Is this not a brand plucked from the fire?"

Rev 12:10 NKJV

Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down.

~~ Evil Spirits ~~

Judg 9:23 KJV

Then God sent an evil spirit between Abimelech and the men of Shechem; and the men of Shechem dealt treacherously with Abimelech:

1 Kings 22:19-23 NKJV

I saw the LORD sitting on His throne, and all the host of heaven standing by, on His right hand and on His left. 20 And the LORD said, 'Who will persuade Ahab to go up, that he may fall at Ramoth Gilead?' So one spoke in this manner, and another spoke in that manner. 21 Then a spirit came forward and stood before the LORD, and said, 'I will persuade him.' 22 "The LORD said to him, 'In what way?' So he said, 'I will go out and be a lying spirit in the mouth of all his prophets.' And the LORD said, 'You shall persuade him, and also prevail. Go out and do so.' 23 "Therefore look! The LORD has put a lying spirit in the mouth of all these prophets of yours, and the LORD has declared disaster against you."

Mark 5:12-13 NKJV

So all the demons begged Him, saying, "Send us to the swine, that we may enter them." 13 And at once Jesus gave them permission. Then the unclean spirits went out and entered the swine (there were about two thousand); and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and drowned in the sea.

John 13:26-27 NKJV

Jesus answered, "It is he to whom I shall give a piece of bread when I have dipped it." And having dipped the bread, He gave it to Judas Iscariot, the son of Simon. 27 Now after

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the piece of bread, Satan entered him. Then Jesus said to him, "What you do, do quickly."

Matt 8:28-29 KJV

And when he was come to the other side into the country of the Gergesenes, there met him two possessed with devils, coming out of the tombs, exceeding fierce, so that no man might pass by that way. 29 And, behold, they cried out, saying, What have we to do with thee, Jesus, thou Son of God? art thou come hither to torment us before the time?

~~ False Prophets ~~

1 Kings 18:22-24 NLT

Then Elijah said to them, "I am the only prophet of the LORD who is left, but Baal has 450 prophets. 23 Now bring two bulls. The prophets of Baal may choose whichever one they wish and cut it into pieces and lay it on the wood of their altar, but without setting fire to it. I will prepare the other bull and lay it on the wood on the altar, but not set fire to it. 24 Then call on the name of your god, and I will call on the name of the LORD. The god who answers by setting fire to the wood is the true God!" And all the people agreed.

1 Kings 22:19-23 NLT

Then Micaiah continued, "Listen to what the LORD says! I saw the LORD sitting on his throne with all the armies of heaven around him, on his right and on his left. 20 And the LORD said, `Who can entice Ahab to go into battle against Ramoth-gilead so that he can be killed there?' There were many suggestions, 21 until finally a spirit approached the LORD and said, `I can do it!' 22 " `How will you do this?' the LORD asked. "And the spirit replied, `I will go out and inspire all Ahab's prophets to speak lies.' " `You will succeed,' said the LORD. `Go ahead and do it.' 23 "So you see, the LORD has put a lying spirit in the mouths of your prophets. For the LORD has determined disaster for you."

Num 22:12 KJV

And God said unto Balaam, Thou shalt not go with them; thou shalt not curse the people: for they are blessed.

Num 24:1 NLT

By now Balaam realized that the LORD intended to bless Israel, so he did not resort to divination as he often did.

Josh 13:22-23 NLT

The Israelites also killed Balaam the magician, the son of Beor.

Rev 19:20 KJV

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And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

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Gen 50:20 NKJV

But as for you, you meant evil against me; but God meant it for good, in order to bring it about as it is this day, to save many people alive.

Ex 9:15-16 NLT

I could have killed you all by now. I could have attacked you with a plague that would have wiped you from the face of the earth. 16 But I have let you live for this reason--that you might see my power and that my fame might spread throughout the earth.

Prov 16:4 NKJV

The LORD has made all for Himself, yes, even the wicked for the day of doom.

Prov 16:4 NLT

The LORD has made everything for his own purposes, even the wicked for punishment.

Isa 45:6-7 KJV

That they may know from the rising of the sun, and from the west, that there is none beside me. I am the LORD, and there is none else. 7 I form the light, and create darkness: I make peace, and create evil: I the LORD do all these things.

Isa 54:16 NKJV

Behold, I have created the blacksmith who blows the coals in the fire, who brings forth an instrument for his work; and I have created the spoiler to destroy.

Rom 8:28 NKJV

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And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose.

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Ps 147:5 NKJV

Great is our Lord, and mighty in power; His understanding is infinite.

Isa 40:28 NKJV

Have you not known? Have you not heard? The everlasting God, the LORD, the Creator of the ends of the earth, neither faints nor is weary. His understanding is unsearchable.

Isa 46:10 NLT

Only I can tell you what is going to happen even before it happens. Everything I plan will come to pass, for I do whatever I wish.

Isa 44:6-7 NLT

This is what the LORD, Israel's King and Redeemer, the LORD Almighty, says: I am the First and the Last; there is no other God. 7 Who else can tell you what is going to happen in the days ahead? Let them tell you if they can and thus prove their power. Let them do as I have done since ancient times.

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Where can I go from Your Spirit? Or where can I flee from Your presence? 8 If I ascend into heaven, You are there; If I make my bed in hell, behold, You are there.

Jer 23:23-24 NLT

Am I a God who is only in one place?" asks the LORD. "Do they think I cannot see what they are doing? 24 Can anyone hide from me? Am I not everywhere in all the heavens and earth?" asks the LORD.

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1 Chron 29:12 NKJV

Both riches and honor come from You, and You reign over all. In Your hand is power and might; In Your hand it is to make great And to give strength to all.

1 Chron 29:11 NKJV

Yours, O LORD, is the greatness, the power and the glory, the victory and the majesty; For all that is in heaven and in earth is Yours; Yours is the kingdom, O LORD, and You are exalted as head over all.

Dan 6:26 NKJV

I make a decree that in every dominion of my kingdom men must tremble and fear before the God of Daniel. For He is the living God, And steadfast forever; His kingdom is the one which shall not be destroyed, And His dominion shall endure to the end.

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