THEOLOGY PROPER



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- 1. Introduction
- 2. Essential Nature of God
- 3. Trinity
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 - 5. Christology
 - 6. Pneumatology
 - 7. Plan of God



WILL of GOD

1. Description



DESCRIPTION

- 1. Contrast
- 2. Ability to put His plan into effect

Ps 115:3 But our God is in the heavens; He does whatever He pleases.

Rom 12:2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Eph 1:9-11 He made known to us the mystery of His will, according to His kind intention which He purposed in Him 10 with a view to an administration suitable to the fulness of the times, that is, the summing up of all things in Christ, things in the heavens & things upon the earth. In Him 11 also we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will.

DESCRIPTION

- 1. Contrast
- 2. Ability to put His plan into effect
- 3. Includes Omnipotence, Omniscience, Moral Perfections, Independence

WILL of GOD

- 1. Description
- 2. Distinctions

 Decretive



DECRETIVE WILL

- 1. Sovereign will
- 2. Purposes certainly fulfilled
- 3. Will not be frustrated by anyone

Rom 9:19 You will say to me then, "Why does He still find fault? For who resists His will?"

Dan 4:35 "And all the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, But He does according to His will in the host of heaven and among the inhabitants of earth; and no one can ward off His hand Or say to Him, "What hast Thou done?"

- Jn 6:39 "And this is the will of Him who sent Me, that of all that He has given Me I lose nothing, but raise it up on the last day.
- Rev 4:11 "Worthy are You, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created."

DECRETIVE WILL

- 1. Sovereign will
- 2. Purposes certainly fulfilled
- 3. Will not be frustrated by anyone
- 4. Permissive will

WILL of GOD

- 1. Description
- 2. Distinctions

 Decretive

 Preceptive



PRECEPTIVE WILL

- 1. That which He commands
- 2. He does not compel creatures
- 3. Expresses His holy character

- Mt 6:10 'Your kingdom come. Your will be done, On earth as it is in heaven.
- 1Th 4:3 For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality;
- Eph 5:17 So then do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is.

WILL of GOD

- 1. Description
- 2. Distinctions

 Decretive

 Preceptive

 Conditional

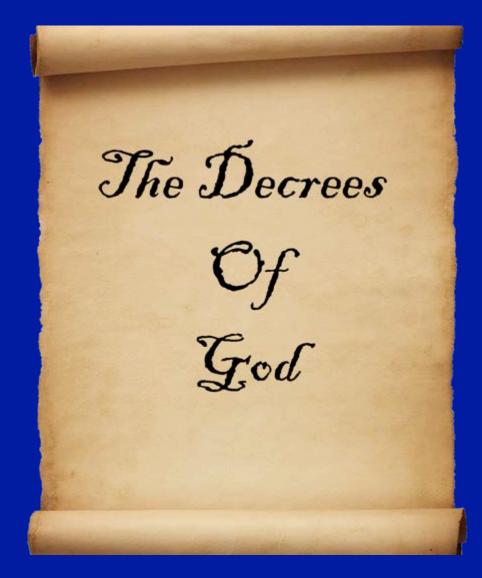


- 1Tim 2:4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.
- 2Pet 3:9 The Lord is not slow about His promise, as some count slowness, but is patient toward you, not wishing for any to perish but for all to come to repentance.



DECREES

1. Description



DESCRIPTION

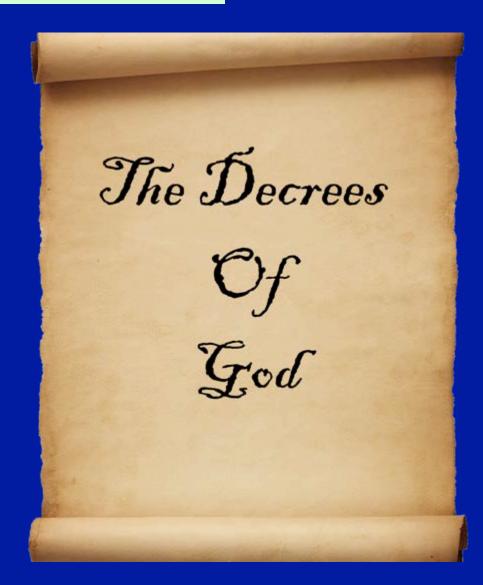
- 1. What God determined to do before creation
- 2. Is an attempt to gather up in one term many on His purpose
- 3. God is 1st cause of all that exists

"God's eternal purpose or purposes, based on His most wise and holy counsel, whereby he freely and unchangeable, for His own glory, ordained either efficaciously or permissively all that comes to pass."

Thiessen

DECREES

- 1. Description
- 2. Content

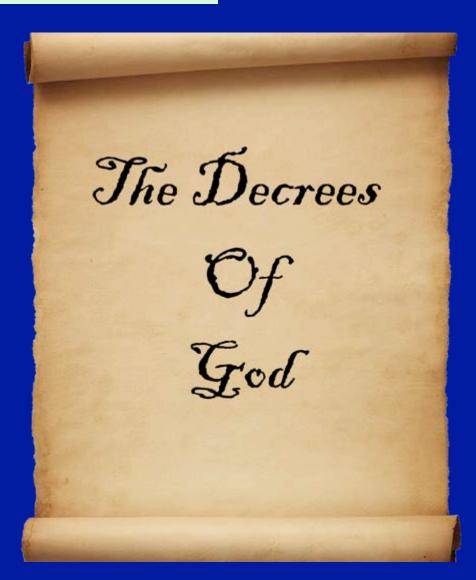


CONTENT

- 1. Material and physical realm
- 2. Social and political realm
- 3. Moral and spiritual realm

DECREES

- 1. Description
- 2. Content
- 3. Order





HUMAN ACTION

- 1. Man responsible for actions
- 2. Man's actions have real results
- 3. Prayer changes things
- 4. We are responsible to obey
- 5. Trust in His Sovereignty

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WORKS OF GOD

A. Creation

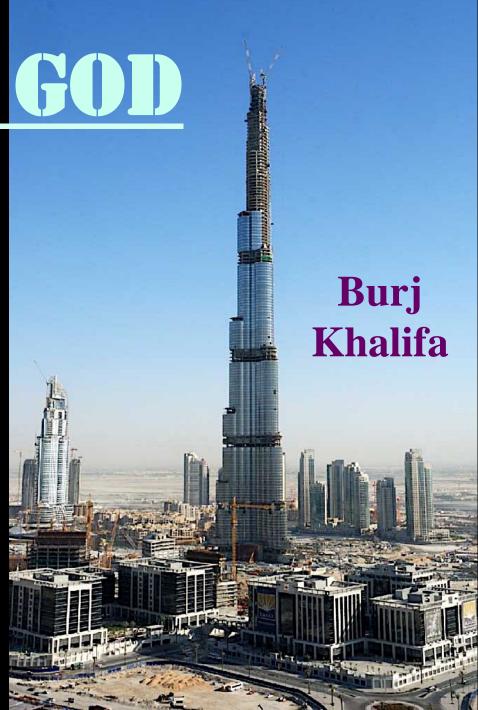


CREATION

- 1. Views on Creation
- 2. Views on Age of Earth
- 3. Creation Ex-nihilo
- 4. Basis of Theology
- 5. Theology

WORKS OF GOD

A. Creation
B. Providence



PROVIDENCE

1. Concept



"God's activity thru His unlimited power and knowledge to fulfill His purpose for the whole creation, including man."

ZPEB

"... continuing action of God in preserving his creation and guiding it toward his intended purposes. God's protection of creation against harm or destruction and provision of needs"

Erickson

PROVIDENCE

1. Concept

2. Functions

Preservation



"... all things out of God owe the continuance of their existence with all their properties and powers, to the will of God."

Hodge

Col 1:16-17 For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities— all things have been created by Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together.

Heb 1:3 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. ...

PROVIDENCE

1. Concept

2. Functions

Preservation

Governance



He directs all things in order that they accomplish His purpose

Grudem

Ps 47:7 For God is the King of all the earth; Sing praises with a skillful psalm.

Ps 103:19 The Lord has established His throne in the heavens; and His sovereignty rules over all.

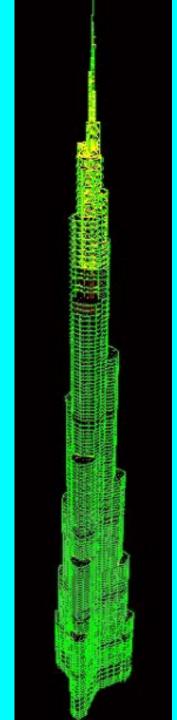
PROVIDENCE

- 1. Concept
- 2. Functions
- 3. Evidence



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1. Physical Nature



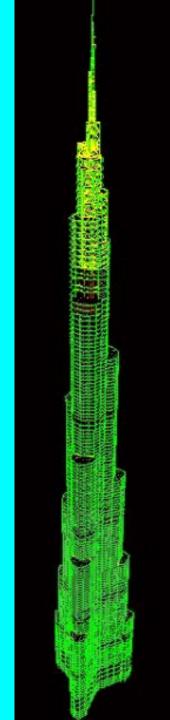
- Ps 104:10 He sends forth springs in the valleys; They flow between the mountains;
- Ps 104:13-14 He waters the mountains from His upper chambers; The earth is satisfied with the fruit of His works. 14 He causes the grass to grow for the cattle, And vegetation for the labor of man, So that he may bring forth food from the earth,

Ps 135:5-7 For I know that the Lord is great, And that our Lord is above all gods. Whatever the Lord pleases, He does, In heaven and in earth, in the seas and in all deeps. He causes the vapors to ascend from the ends of the earth; Who makes lightnings for the rain; Who brings forth the wind from His treasuries.

Mt 5:45 ...; for He causes His sun to rise on the evil and the good, and sends rain on the righteous and the unrighteous.

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- 1. Physical Nature
- 2. Animals



- Ps 104:25-28 There is the sea, great and broad, In which are swarms without number, Animals both small and great. ... 27 They all wait for You To give them their food in due season. 28 You give to them, they gather it up; You open Your hand, they are satisfied with good.
- Ps 147:9 He gives to the beast its food, And to the young ravens which cry.

Mt 6:26 "Look at the birds of the air, that they do not sow, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not worth much more than they?

BVIDBNOB

- 1. Physical Nature
- 2. Animals
- 3. Individuals

