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B. God is sovereign over all, even evil things

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- Focus on God's goodness & sovereignty

C. We must trust our Sovereign Loving God in the midst of trials

- by God's Word – Mt 4:4; Heb 12:24; Psa 118:6; 56:4; 27:1,3; 23:4; 71:14

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- Eph 2:4-5
- 1 Cor 1:26-27
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