

Romans 8:28; 8:37

1. Being Confident in God's Sovereignty can **Sweeten** your Spirit.

Philippians 1:1-11; 2nd Corinthians 11:24-28

- a. Paul could have been frustrated.
- b. Paul could have been discouraged.
- c. Paul could have been defeated.
- d. Paul could have been embittered.
- e. Paul was **thankful**.
- f. Paul was **trustful**.
- g. Paul was **thoughtful**.

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2. Being Conscious of God's Sovereignty can **Strengthen** your Faith.

Philippians 1:12-13

- a. **Learning** through God's testing and teaching
Daniel 4:34-35
- b. **Living** through trials by trusting in God
Hebrews 11:17-19

3. Being Comforted by God's Sovereignty can **Soften** your Reaction.

Philippians 1:14-18; 1st Peter 4:19

- a. Because God is sovereign, I am not.
John 3:30
- b. Because God is sovereign, no one else is.
Philippians 1:18; Hebrews 12:2; 2nd Timothy 2:24-26

4. Being Committed to God's Sovereignty can **Soothe** your Anxieties.

Philippians 1:19-26

- a. When we remember that our momentary trials must give way to our **ultimate** deliverance.
Psalms 118:6
- b. When we resolve that the **honor** of Christ will be our one objective.
- c. When we resign ourselves to doing the **will** of God.
Acts 21:12-14

5. Being Confronted about God's Sovereignty can **Stretch** your Thinking.

Philippians 1:27-30

- a. Our **purpose** in living is to be distinctly different from the unsaved.
- b. Our **perspective** on suffering is to be radically different from the unsaved.
Ephesians 1:11