

ROMANS 1 (VERSES 18, 19, 20)

¹⁸ The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, ¹⁹ since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. ²⁰ For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities—his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.

SCRIPTURE VERSES:

- Psalm 103:19: "The Lord has established His throne in the heavens; And His sovereignty rules over all."
- Psalm 115:3: "But our God is in the heavens; He does whatever He pleases."
- **Psalm 135:5-6:** "For I know that the Lord is great, And that our <u>Lord is above</u> <u>all gods</u>. Whatever the LORD pleases, He does, In Heaven and in earth, in the <u>seas and in all the deeps</u>."
- Isaiah 46:9-10: "Remember the former things, those of long ago; I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like me. I make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come. I say, 'My purpose will stand, and I will do all that I please.'"

SCRIPTURE VERSES:

• Daniel 4: 34-35: "For His dominion is an everlasting dominion, And His kingdom is from generation to generation. All of 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?""

DEFINITION (SOVEREIGN) CREDIT: BSF INTERNATIONAL

- God controls all things.
- There is nothing that is outside of God's wise control, even the exact time and place for each person to live.
- No one tells God what to do. What God plans, happens.
- No event, no natural disaster, no person, not even Satan, can stop God's plans.
- When God permits evil, we can trust that He has planned to use it for His people's good and His glory.
- God planned the time for His Son to come the first time and a time for His Son to return.
- God will accomplish His plan because He alone has the power to do it.

OUR SOVEREIGN GOD IS . .

Supreme in power and authority.

In complete control and can accomplish whatever He pleases.

- He is:
 - Subject to none
 - Influenced by none
 - Absolutely independent
- God does:
 - As He pleases
 - Only as He pleases
 - Always as He pleases
- None can thwart Him
- None can hinder Him

