

Evangelism and the Sovereignty of God

Introductory Remarks

1. We begin by affirming the truths of the Westminster Confession of Faith (3.6, 5.2, 10.1)
2. Those who embrace the Reformed position on God's sovereignty and election are often falsely accused of thus having no reason or motive to evangelize.
3. Packer's book refutes that premise, and reminds us on the contrary, that a Reformed perspective should stir us on to an even greater zeal in our evangelism.

I. Our Belief in the Sovereignty of God Does Not Negate Our Belief in the Responsibility of Men

- A. We believe in the n_____ of evangelism (Romans 10:11-17).
- B. We believe in the u_____ of evangelism (Luke 13:1-5 and Colossians 1:27-29).
- C. We believe in the g_____ of the g_____ invitation (Romans 10:13, Matthew 11:28, John 3:16, II Corinthians 5:20, John 6:37-40).
- D. We believe s_____ are accountable for their r_____ of the gospel message to r_____ of their sins and to t_____ in Christ (Ezekiel 18:30-32, John 3:18-19 and 5:39-40).

II. Our Belief in the Sovereignty of God Gives Us Our Only Hope of Success in Evangelism

- A. Only a s_____ God can overcome man's t_____ d_____ and t_____ i_____ (Ephesians 2:1-10).
- B. Our belief in a sovereign God s_____ make us b_____ in our e_____ (Romans 1:16, II Timothy 2:8-10).
- C. Our belief in a sovereign God s_____ make us p_____ in our e_____ (John 4:36-38 and Acts 28:23-31).
- D. Our belief in a sovereign God s_____ make us p_____ in our e_____ (Matthew 6:10, II Thessalonians 3:1, Ephesians 6:18-20).