

Coronavirus and Christ
Chapter 5—The Sweetness of His Reign

I. Introduction:

- a. **“WHY SHOULD I RECEIVE the news of God’s sovereignty over the coronavirus, and over my life, as a sweet teaching?”**

II. God’s Dethronement Is Not Good News

- a. “It is not sweet to think that Satan, sickness, sabotage, fate, or chance has the last say in my life. That is not _____ news.”
- b. **Why is it good news that “God reigns” during this pandemic?** (Job 12:13; Ps. 147:5; Rom. 11:33; Eph. 3:10)

III. How God Secured “All Things” for Sinners

- a. **Read Romans 8:31-32 and explain what are the “*all things*” that Paul mentions?**

- b. **Read Romans 8:31-39 and explain what they teach us about God’s sovereignty, the “good news” of the Gospel and finding good news during this pandemic?**

IV. What Satan Means for Evil

- a. “Even if Satan, on his divine leash, has a hand in our suffering and death, he is not ultimate. He cannot hurt us without God’s _____ and _____ (Job. 1:12; Luke 22:31; 2 Cor. 12:7).”
- b. **Read Gen. 50:20 and explain the significance of Joseph saying that “*God meant it for good*”?**

V. Not a Sparrow, Every Hair

- a. **Read Matthew 10:29-31 and explain how this truth relates to our living or dying during this pandemic? (cf. Rom. 8:28-30)**

VI. Immortal till My work Is Done

- a. **Read the testimonies from Henry Martyn’s journal and explain how his reaction to the knowledge of God’s sovereign plan for his life affects you as you live through this pandemic.**