

Coronavirus and Christ
What Is God Doing through the Coronavirus?
Preliminary Thoughts: Seeing and Pointing

I. Introduction:

- a. **“If God has not been dethroned, if, indeed, He governs “all things according to the counsel of His will” (Eph. 1:11), and if this coronavirus outbreak, with all its devastation, is in His holy, righteous, good, and wise hands, then what is He doing? What are His purposes?**

II. Stop Regarding Man

- a. **“Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your _____ understanding’ (Prov. 3:5).” (Prov. 28:26; Isa. 2:22)**
- b. **Why is it “not presumption” for Piper “to write this book, let alone a section titled, ‘What is God Doing through the Coronavirus’”? (Eph. 1:8-9; 3:4)**

III. How Inscrutable His Ways

- a. **“Not only are His [God’s] designs in the coronavirus beyond counting; they are, in many ways, _____.” (Rom. 11:33)**

- b. **After reading Read Romans 11:33-36 do you think Apostle Paul or John Piper are saying because God is so holy or other you can't know His purposes "So close your Bibles and make up your own reality"?**

IV. Pointing to Reality

- a. "God and His _____ are the reality we need—the Rock under our feet. So my aim here is to point to reality, not create reality."
- b. **Read Luke 12:54-57 and explain what was Jesus' and now Piper's point?**

V. Six Paths to Follow

- a. "I will only point to paths of biblical truth that I hope you will _____ after you close this book."