



The Lord's Day Morning — December 15, 2024
Third Sunday of Advent

"God's Gifts: God's Sovereign Love"

Romans 8:28–32

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This Advent season, we are studying God's gifts to His people, to humanity, as Romans describes. Our theme verse is 8:32 "If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son but gave Him up for us all, how will He not also with Him graciously give us all things?"

1. God has general plans and specific purposes. (8:28)
2. God acts from his knowledge for our good. (8:29–30)
3. God offers specific gifts - justification and glorification. (8:30–32)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR GROUPS:

1. Share one thought that seemed important or striking from today's message.
2. How is God's sovereignty a comforting idea? How is it a difficult idea? How would explain, to an attentive child, the principle that God is sovereign over all things?
3. Why is it comforting to hear that God's knowledge is both perfect and personal?
4. Share a time when you saw "All things working" for good for those who love God? Was there a time when you could not see God's sovereignty at work? (That is, you wanted to say "God cannot have wanted this to happen.") How did handle that?
5. How does justification lead to glorification?