GOD DOES WHAT HE WANTS

1 Chronicles 29:11

Introduction: Through recorded history, some 3,000 gods of the world have appeared. Christianity says that all these gods are but man made images and that there is but ONE God and that is Almighty God, the Heavenly Father. Few really understand the ONE true God and His greatness.

God does what He wants. He is supreme, He is King, God is God. He is the Almighty, He does His will everywhere and He created all things, having all power in heaven and earth. He sets up, overthrows and determines the courses of life and kingdoms as it pleases Him. He is the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords.

It seems that the God of today's Christianity is somewhat different from the God of the Bible for there is no respect for God as in the days of the Bible. The greatness of God has been lost and today's Christian seems to think that he/she is in charge and God is at his/her beck and call. There needs to be an awakening, a realization that God is God and does whatever He wants.

I. GOD USES HIS POWER AS HE WISHES

- 1. God uses His power as He wills, when He wills and where He wills.
 - Remember when Pharaoh hindered Israel's freedom to worship God in the wilderness? Then you remember how God used His power on Egypt and Israel was freed.
 - The Amalakites dared to attack Israel in the wilderness however God decided not to destroy them but that there would be war between the two for generations.
 - Israel finally entered the promised land but the city of Jericho stood in the way. Not a blow was struck by Israel for God brought the walls of the city down flat and has never repeated that act again.
 - David killed a giant with a sling and a single stone. The mouths of lions were closed when Daniel was thrown into their pit. Three Hebrew young men were thrown into a firey furnace but were not even scorched.
- 2. God does not always use His power equally for His people, however. (*Hebrews 11:36-37*)
 - Stephen was stoned to death but Peter was delivered from prison why?
 - Thousands through the centuries have been imprisoned, scouraged, stoned, cut into pieces, slain in various ways, starved to death but hundreds of thousands have not why?
- 3. God is God and uses His power when, how and where He pleases.

II. GOD DELEGATES HIS POWER TO OTHERS AS HE WISHES

- 1. God gave Methuselah a life longer than any other human being why?
 - God gave Samson physical strength which no man has ever had since why?
 - God has given different abilities and powers to some through the centuries but not equally to everyone why?
 - Because God is God and He does as He wishes.

III. GOD GRANTS MERCY AS HE WISHES

- 1. Mercy is not something which a person is entitled to but is directed by the will of God. Nobody deserves mercy.
 - God grants mercy on whomever He pleases.
 - Moses asked God for a reprieve from his death sentence because of his disobedience but God said "NO!"
 - Hezekiah also had a sentence of death upon him but God extended his life for 15 years.
 - Jesus came to the pool of Bethesda and walked up to ONE person among hundreds and healed only that one person. The man had not even asked nor even knew who Jesus was.
 - "...I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion..." (Romans 9:15)

IV. GOD GIVES HIS LOVE AS HE WISHES

- 1. God loves whom He chooses to love.
 - God does not love the devil for there is nothing in him to attract the heart of God.
 - There is nothing in mankind to attract the heart of God, yet God has chosen to give His love toward mankind.
- 2. God is under no law to love, for God is God. He loved Jacob and hated Esau, the twins of Isaac.

V. GOD GIVES HIS GRACE AS HE WISHES

- 1. Grace is favor shown to the undeserving. Hell "deserving" is the opposite of Justice.
 - Justice shows no favors, is no respector of person, shows no pity and knows no mercy.
 - After justice has been fully satisfied, grace is given.
- 2. Grace is the unmerited favor of God.
 - Nobody can claim grace as their right. Grace is unearned, undeserved and nobody is entitled to it. It is a gift from God and nobody can demand it.
 - Grace is free from God and God gives it upon whomever He pleases.
 - At the Savior's birth, God gave His grace.
 - The greatest event in history of the universe was not made known to everyone.
 - God chose shepherds to announce the event to. God didn't send angels all over the world to make the announcement. Only to those shepherds.
 - No star appeared to the religious leaders of Israel or even to the king of Judah.
 - God chose the place where His Son was born. Not Greece, or Italy, but Bethlehem.
 - Why? Because God is God and God gives His grace when, how, and where He chooses.

CONCLUSION:

- 1. God does what He wishes in whatever way He wishes and whenever He wishes. God is God.
 - Christians! What therefore ought to be our attitude toward almighty God?
 - Where is our Godly fear?
 - Where is our implicit obedience?
 - Where is our total resignation to God's will, whatever it may be?
 - Where is our deep thankfulness and joy?
 - Where is our adoring worship?
- 2. "Thine, O Lord, is the greatness, and the power, and the glory, and the victory, and the majesty; for all that is in heaven and in the earth is Thine; Thine is the kingdom, O Lord, and Thou art exalted as Head above all..." (1 Chronicles 29:11)
- 3. GOD IS GOD! There is none but our almighty God. Let us therefore respond as we should.