

Winter Quarter Sunday School Electives  
*December 6 – February 28*

The Sovereignty of God  
*Christopher Chase - Room 13*

The purpose of this class is to study what the Bible says about the sovereignty of God. Each week we will look at passages of scripture that teach us something about this important attribute of God. We will try and unpack what the scripture says starting with the macro (God is sovereign over all creation) and continuing to the micro (God is sovereign over my life).

Revelation 4-22: The End Game  
Michael Kelton – Room 14

Has God ceded control over His creation gone wild? Will the chief adversary, Satan, have his way and take complete control of the hearts and minds of mankind? As we study Revelation 4-22 and other key prophetic passages, we will discover that the Creator is long suffering, but He must eventually judge sinful men. How do these judgements reveal the character of God? Why does man, even when faced with the reality of his impending doom, still dare to defy his Creator? We will reach a satisfactory conclusion to these questions and find God's end game was never in doubt. This gives us even more reason to entrust our lives to the keeping of our faithful Creator.

Romans  
Bruce Plank – Room 12

Paul's letter to the church in Rome is his magnum opus and the most systematic statement on the doctrine of salvation in the New Testament. We will study at an unhurried pace in order to secure the rewards of this challenging book.

Ezra & Nehemiah  
Tommy Lee – Overflow

Ezra is the account of the Children of Israel leaving Babylon after the 70 years Captivity. The Persian Empire under Cyrus the Great has defeated the Babylonian Empire and let their captives settle in their own land if desired. The Jews could return to their own land to rebuild their temple. Zerubbabel led 50,000 people back to begin construction on the Temple. The people who occupied the land were not overjoyed to have the Jews returned and opposed the construction by threatening the Jews. They succeeded in stopping the Jews for 15 years. God sent Haggai and Zechariah to get the people back on the job. After 4 years the Temple was finished and dedicated. 80 years after the return of Zerubbabel, Ezra returned to the land with 1500 people. His purpose in going was to bring a substantial offering to help the people and to teach the Law of God. Unfortunately, the Israelites were compromising God's laws in the marrying of pagan women. The rest of the book is the account of how obedience was once again brought to the those in the land of Judah.

We will study the book of Nehemiah after the completion of Ezra.

Esther (Ladies Class)  
Janet Regier – Room 11

The story in the book of Esther is not about Esther or Mordecai but about the God of heaven who orders all things. Even though God is never mentioned in the story the works of His hands and the council of His will are clearly seen. As women, we study this book not because it's about a woman, but because it is about our sovereign Lord who continues to rule all things in lovingkindness, justice and mercy. We will seek to grow in our knowledge and trust of this unchanging God who continues to bring out the fulfillment of His plan.