

# THE MOST IMPORTANT THING ABOUT YOU

## PART 7: SOVEREIGNTY

### INTRODUCTION

The most essential part of who you are is what you think about God. Your perceptions affect your relationships. Your perceptions about God...what you think about God...dictate the level of trust and intimacy you experience with God. This series will help clarify your perception of God.

### KEY QUOTE

"What comes into our minds when we think about God is the most important thing about us."

--A.W. Tozer, The Knowledge of the Holy

### KEY SCRIPTURE

Matthew 7:7

Romans 11:26

1 John 4:19

Matthew 6:10

Philippians 2:12-13

Genesis 50:19-20

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What are some of the misperceptions people have about God? What are some of the misperceptions you've had about God?
2. Read Romans 11:26. Of the three thoughts in this verse--all things are **from him**, all things are **through him**, and all things are **for him**--which is the most challenging for you to accept, believe, or explain?
3. How have you responded to this question: If God is sovereign over all things, why does he allow suffering?
4. Pastor Will taught that as an act of love God gave us the ability to make choices, but when we choose sin there will always be painful consequences. How have you experienced this in your life? Have you experienced painful consequences and struggled to understand why? How do you respond to that?
5. Read Philippians 2:12-13. According to the verse, when it comes to your personal spiritual growth your role is to "work out your salvation" and God's role is to "work in you." What are you currently doing to work out your salvation...to grow spiritually? What do you think you should do differently? Where have you experienced God at work in your life? Share where you've seen God at work in other group members' lives.
6. The story of Joseph is told in Genesis 37-50. Read Genesis 50:19-20. Pastor Will taught that God's intent will win out in your life. Where are you struggling to believe this in your life today? How can this group help?

### MOVING FORWARD

Application Prayer: Heavenly Father, I trust you to bring good out of these difficult and uncertain circumstances of my life right now. I choose to love you and answer the call to serve your purposes.