#### God Is In Control

### Scripture Text:

- 1. I have, many times, found myself on the road in icy conditions. One can improve on ice and slush. Made it through icy conditions several times.
- 2. The road is deceitful, and the forces of nature unforgiving. Few things worse than feeling out of control.
- 3. We may take comfort in the fact that God is in control.
  - 1) He is never surprised.
  - 2) He is never unprepared.
  - 3) He is never overcome.
  - 4) He is never waylaid.

## I. WHEN WARS RAGE (OR THE WICKED CAUSE GREAT HARM)

- 1. God rules in the kingdoms of men. Daniel 4:32-37
- 2. Even wicked rulers may be doing God's bidding. Isaiah 10:5-15
- 3. He may move the mightiest nation on earth to move a couple a few miles. Luke 2:1-
- 7; Matthew 2:1-6

### II. WHEN THE WOLF IS AT THE DOOR

- 1. He owns the cattle on a thousand hills. Psalm 50:10
- 2. He never forsakes the righteous. Psalm 37:25; Matthew 6:33.

#### III. WHEN YOUR NEIGHBOR GETS THE BEST OF YOU

- 1. Consider David.
  - 1) Hounded for years by his father-in-law, Saul.
  - 2) He has done no wrong against him.
  - 3) Yet in the end, Saul lay dead and David becomes king.
- 2. Read Psalm 37
- 3. The ultimate statement of God's control. Rev. 21:1-8
- 4. If you listen with the ear of faith you can hear the thunder of God's gavel pronouncing sentence. Romans 12:19

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# IV. WHEN THE DEVIL HAS WON THE WORLD OVER TO SIN. HE HAS A PLAN.

- 1. Christ died for us. Romans 5:6-8
- 2. So eternal life is through Christ. Romans 6:23
- 3. The Gospel is God's power. Romans 1:16
- 4. That power is effective. 1 Corinthians 6:9-11
- 5. The remission of sins. Matthew 26:28; Acts 2:38; Acts 22:16
- 1. Sometimes we feel like feathers in a hurricane.
- 2. Our faith and hope is grounded on a sure foundation.
- 3. God is in control.

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