

# The Saint's Assurance is in the Sovereign God

Dear soul, think about it: if there is one germ somewhere out there in the universe that is not under His control, then my health, my life, is just a matter of chance or fortune – good or bad! If there is one demon spirit out there some place that is not under God's control, then my hope of salvation would dry up like Jonah's gourd. I would have no assurance at all, for I have no confidence in me (Phil. 3:3).

I am so thankful that when the religious heathen ask me about my God, I can answer with the psalmist, "Our God is in the heavens; he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased" (Psalm 115:2, 3). It hath pleased Him to save His people (Matt. 1:21); and He shall not fail (Isa. 42:4). "Salvation" in its entirety, "is of the Lord" (Jonah 2:9; Phil. 1:6). The God of the Bible "worketh all things after the counsel of his own will" and makes "all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose" (Eph. 1:11; Rom. 8:28).

I hold onto the Lord as tightly as I can, but my assurance is that I am in His hand!

-Maurice Montgomery