

A close-up photograph of a purple tulip flower, slightly out of focus, set against a dark green background. The petals are layered and show some texture. The lighting is soft, highlighting the edges of the petals.

The Doctrines of Grace

Pursuing the glory of God in salvation

5 Solas of the Reformation

Sola scriptura: "by Scripture alone"

Sola fide: "by faith alone"

Sola gratia: "by grace alone"

Solo Christo: "Christ alone"

Soli Deo Gloria: "to the glory of God alone"

John 6:44 “No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day.”

John 12:32 “And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.”

John 12:20-21 “Now among those who went up to worship at the feast were some Greeks. So these came to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee, and asked him, “Sir, we wish to see Jesus”

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John 6:65 "And he said, "This is why I told you that no one can come to me unless it is granted him by the Father."

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John 12:39 “Therefore they could not believe.”

“could not” = to not be able, no ability, unable, no capacity, impossible, has to do with ability - NOT determination or will

Total Depravity

Isaiah 64:6 “all our righteousness is as a filthy rag”

“Your amazement at the grace of God will never exceed the understanding you have of your own depravity”

Romans 5:12-21



Rom 8:7-8 “For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. Those who are in the flesh cannot please God.”

1 Cor 2:14 “The natural person does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are folly to him, and he is not able to understand them because they are spiritually discerned.”

John 10:26 “but you do not believe because you are not my sheep”

John 13:10-11 “And the disciples came and said to Him, “Why do You speak to them in parables?” Jesus answered them, “To you it has been granted to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been granted.”

2 Cor 4:4 “In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God.”



Dead! Not sick

Eph 2:1-3 “And you were dead in your trespasses and sins, in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience. Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.”

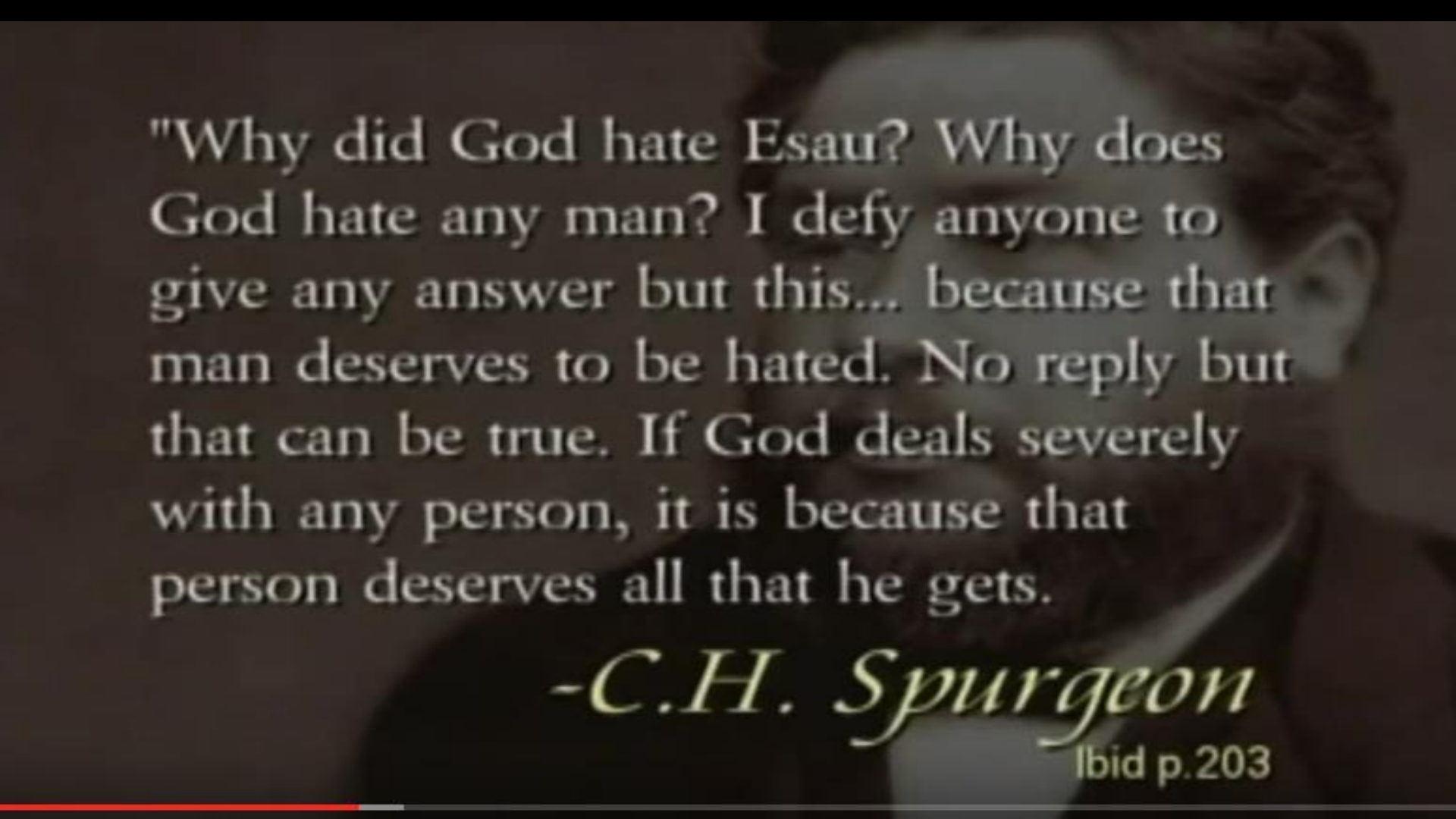
Everything lost man does is sin

Romans 14:23 "Whatever does not proceed from faith is sin."

This is a radical indictment of all natural "virtue" that does not flow from a heart humbly relying on God's grace.

Our Depravity is:

- Our rebellion against God is total
- In that rebellion everything done is sinful
- Man's inability to submit to God is total
- Our rebellion deserved eternal punishment



"Why did God hate Esau? Why does God hate any man? I defy anyone to give any answer but this... because that man deserves to be hated. No reply but that can be true. If God deals severely with any person, it is because that person deserves all that he gets.

-C.H. Spurgeon

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