

- Our hope, trust in God couldn't be secure if He didn't control all.

Providence is Not to be Confused with operation of grace because it is natural. Grace & its oper. are supernatural. In Prov. it is according to his will but accord to regular sequences. In Grace it is the "good pleasure" of His Will.

- new life is not due to a nat. operation; not a result of power of the truth. This oper. gives a life from God guided by principles which are higher. It is from above. In one instance God works in nat. ways but in order by direct power.

VI Miracles

certain terms which are δυνάμις (power) & σημεῖον (sign)
τέρας (wonder)

Def: con of them in strict & proper sense of word.

An event in eternal world which is accomplished immediately by the power of God. ^{occurs in place where there a possibility of operation & recording, an historical event.}

Dist: immediate & mediate power of God. Mediate - God executes His will thru agencies. All power which reside in creation; no continuous creation; world has a continuity which is upheld. Events are brought to pass by created agencies. These are never indep. of will & power of God. Do not mean that there is a general superintendence of God.

Nothing happens apart from power & will of God. He is present with all His creatures repeatedly. Most avoid mistake that God is further removed in mediate agency than immediate agency. Order of nature can't be thought to exist or operate apart from God. As an order of nature.

Ro 1: 26, 27; Rom 2: 14; 11: 21, 24; James 3: 11-12

- Some laws we must subject ourselves to. (in nature)
- In creation of the world there was no other agency but God himself. Power of God is not limited to creation. Can't believe that things come to pass by resident forces. Virgin birth, resurrection of Christ from the dead.

Generically supernatural (many super-nat. events are miracles, regeneration, adoption, sanctification) these are not in realm where observation is possible. These acts are invisible. We do speak