INTRODUCTION

1. EXPLANATION OF THE TWO WILLS OF GOD

1.1. Explaining God’s will is complicated.

1.2. In a sense God has two wills: a sovereign will and a moral will.
   1.2.1. God’s sovereign (decretive, secret/hideen) will is what He decrees.
   1.2.2. God’s moral (preceptive, revealed) will is what He commands.

1.3. God’s sovereign and moral wills overlap.

2. SCRIPTURAL ILLUSTRATIONS OF THE TWO WILLS OF GOD [PIPER]


2.2. God wills the future war against the Lamb (Rev 17:16–17).

2.3. God wills to harden peoples’ hearts (five examples).

2.4. God wills not to restrain evil even though he has the right to restrain evil (two examples).

2.5. God wills—even delights in (in one sense)—the punishment of the wicked (Deut 28:63; 2 Sam 2:25).

2.6. God wills (in one sense) that not all be saved.

3. APPLICATION OF THE TWO WILLS OF GOD

CONCLUSION

RECOMMENDED RESOURCES

Feinberg, John S. No One Like Him: The Doctrine of God. Edited by John S. Feinberg.

