

THE LORD'S HAND NOT SHORTENED

"Behold, the Lord's hand is not shortened, that it cannot save" (Isaiah 59:1). But if, as most religionists say, God is trying to save but He cannot unless men will let him, then His hand is shortened that it cannot save. And how can it be that God does "according to his will in the army of heaven, and among the inhabitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand" (Daniel 4:35), and yet men can keep Him from saving them simply by not letting Him save? Either God is wrong in what He says about this matter, or men are wrong in what they say, and there can be no question as to who is wrong. God is infallible and can make no mistake.

God asks, "Is my hand shortened at all, that it cannot redeem? or have I no power to deliver?" Then in the following lines He gives the answer: "Behold, at my rebuke I dry up the sea, I make the rivers a wilderness" (Isaiah 50:2). His word is good enough for me. His hand cannot be stayed and His hand is not shortened. "He hath done whatsoever he hath pleased" (Psalms 115:3). "He shall not fail nor be discouraged" (Isaiah 42:4). "With God all things are possible" (Matt. 19:26). He has given Christ "power over all flesh," that He should give eternal life "to as many" as the Father gave Him (See John 17:2), and not one of them will be lost (John 6:39). These are glorious truths and they far outshine the doctrines of men.---Elder Ralph Harris