HOW CAN WE KNOW GOD IS IN CONTROL IN THE MIDST OF SUCH EVIL?

JESUS APPROACHING HIS BETRAYAL AND CRUCIFIXION
(The greatest evil ever), REVEALS HE IS IN CONTROL!
Matthew 26:14-25

I. REALIZE GOD IS SOVEREIGN OVER THE EVIL PLANS OF MAN: Judas makes a deal to betray Jesus, yet even in this, God is sovereign over the greatest of evil (14-16)

II. KNOW JESUS BEING GOD KNOWS ALL: Jesus during the preparation and Passover meal reveals He is all knowing and will be betrayed by one of them (17-23)

A. Jesus, knowing all, directs His disciples to prepare for the Passover meal according to His predetermined plan (17-19)

B. Jesus, knowing all, reveals to His disciples one of them will betray Him (20-21)

C. As the disciples respond, Jesus responds in a way that will manifest to His disciples later, that He is the I Am (22-23, John 13)

III. UNDERSTAND GOD IS GRACIOUS TO THE END: Knowing all, Jesus during the meal gives one gracious last warning to Judas (24-25)

A. Jesus' betrayal by Judas fulfills His Word, yet He still graciously warns Judas of the consequences of his betrayal of Him (24)

B. Judas rejects Jesus' last gracious warning (25)