REDECTION Understanding Our Salvation

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Redeemed #15 – Effectual Call (Part 2)

The Called Ones

Rom. 8:28 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for <u>those who are called</u> according to his purpose. **29** For those whom he <u>foreknew</u> he also <u>predestined</u> to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. **30** And those whom he <u>predestined</u> he also <u>called</u>, and those whom he <u>called</u> he also <u>justified</u>, and those whom he justified he also glorified.

"Called"

...means "internally, effectually, savingly called." It denotes the first great step in personal salvation and answers to "conversion." Only the word conversion expresses the change of character which then takes place, whereas this "calling" expresses the divine authorship of the change, and the sovereign power by which we are summoned...

Importance of Justified & Glorified

Also Note:

Drawn to Jesus

Augustine wrote:

When, therefore, the gospel is preached, some believe, some believe not; but they who believe at the voice of the preacher from without, hear the Father from within, and learn; -that is to say, to the former it is given to believe; to the latter it is not given. Because "No man," says He, "cometh to me except the Father which sent me draw him" (John 6:44). (Hoekema, Saved by Grace, P87)

John 6:35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst. 36 But I said to you that you have seen me and yet do not believe. 37 All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out. 38 For I have come down from heaven, not to do my own will but the will of him who sent me.

39 And this is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day. 40 For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up on the last day." 41 So the Jews grumbled about him, because he said, "I am the bread that came down from heaven." 42 They said, "Is not this Jesus, the son of Joseph, whose father and mother we know? How does he now say, 'I have come down from heaven'?" 43 Jesus answered them, "Do not grumble among yourselves. 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.

45 It is written in the Prophets, 'And they will all be taught by God.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me—46 not that anyone has seen the Father except he who is from God; he has seen the Father. 47 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever believes has eternal life.

Matthew Barrett

"...Carson makes two observations worthy of consideration. First, the verb "cast out"..."implies the 'casting out' of something or someone already 'in.' The strong litotes in 6:37 (litotes = bit of a play on words with opposite & negative meaning EX: you won't be sorry) therefore does not mean 'I will certainly receive the one who comes,' but 'I will certainly preserve, keep in, the one who comes'; ... Carson is right, Jesus' promise that he will never "cast out" implies that there is a set number already chosen, already "in" and it is clear that these are only those whom the Father has given to Jesus. Second, Carson observes...in John 6:38 "give the reason for this keeping action by Jesus, in terms of the will of the Father... (Matthew Barrett, Salvation by Grace, p105)

John 6:39 And this is the will of him who sent me, that <u>I should lose nothing of all that he has given</u> me, but raise it up on the last day.

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 17:6 "I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. 7 Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. 8 For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me. 9 I am praying for them. I am not praying for the world but for those whom you have given me, for they are yours. 10 All mine are yours, and yours are mine, and I am glorified in them. 11 And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. 12 While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

Additional Passages

1Cor. 1:4 I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, **5** that <u>in every way you were enriched in him</u> in all speech and all knowledge— **6** even as the <u>testimony about Christ was confirmed among you</u>— **7** so <u>that you are not lacking in any gift</u>, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, **8** who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. **9** God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

1Cor. 1:2 To the church of God that is in Corinth, <u>to those sanctified in Christ Jesus</u>, <u>called to be saints</u> together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ...

1Pet. 2:9 But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for his own possession, that you may proclaim the excellencies of <u>him who called you out of darkness</u> into his marvelous light. **10** Once you were not a people, but now you are God's people; once you had not received mercy, but now you have received mercy.

Discussion Items

Simultaneous with Regeneration & other stuff...

How do you know you have been called?				
Puritan Thomas Watson A man is convinced of sin, he sees he is a sinner and nothing but a sinner; the fallow ground of I	his			
heart is broken up. (Jer 5:3) As the husbandman breaks the clods, then casts in the seed; so Good the convincing work of the law, breaks a sinner's heart, and makes it fit to receive the seeds of Such as were never convinced are never called. "He shall convince the world of sin," John 16:8. Conviction is the first step of conversion. (Watson, Body of Divinity, p224)	d, by grace.			
He who is effectually called stops his ears to all other calls which would call him off from God. A has his call, so there are other contrary calls. Satan calls by a temptation, lust calls, evil companibut as the adder stops its ear against the voice of the charmer, so he who is effectually called st his ear against all the charms of the flesh and the devil. (Watson, Body of Divinity, p224)	y calls;			
What have you been called to?				
Eph. 4:1 I therefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you have been called,				
Prayer & effectual call				