

I. God decreed all things (3.1-3.2)

- A. Eternal decree
- B. Working out our theology
- C. Three qualifications
 - 1. God is not the author of sin
 - 2. People are not robots
 - 3. Contingency and freedom are real
- D. The future hangs entirely upon God's decree

II. God's decree includes salvation and damnation (3.3-3.7)

- A. Eternal life and eternal death result from God's decree.
- B. The number of the elect can't be changed.
- C. Election unto life is purely of God's grace.
- D. God has appointed the means by which men are saved.
- E. Double predestination is not symmetrical

III. Handle with care (3.8)

- A. A high mystery
- B. Teaching with care, hearing with care
- C. Attending the revealed will of God
- D. The fruit of this doctrine

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