

## Understanding Election is Solid Food

**I. Understanding being chosen by God is foundational to accepting His sovereign work**

**II. God is love even though He doesn't offer salvation to all (Matt 5:44-45)**

**III. God is just whether He chooses to save us or not—all deserve Hell (Rom 3:23; Dan 4:35)**

**IV. What is the rest of His plan (Romans 9)**

- A. Israelites are not all children of God just because they are Abraham's descendants.
- B. God chose between the twins, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated”.
- C. It does not depend on the man who wills or the man who runs, but on God who has mercy.
- D. Paul references Pharaoh as an example of God hardening a heart.
- E. He can still place fault with us because He molded us that way.
- F. Different purposes of the two people, honorable use and another for common use.
- G. The two give meaning to each other.

**V. Understanding chosen by God helps us accept His sovereign work in the rest of our life's**

- A. Not worrying about how I share the Gospel (1 Cor 1:17).
- B. Humbly understanding I am only part of God's plan in an individual's life (1 Cor 3:6-7).
- C. Receiving the favor of God with praise versus chance (Genesis 39:21 & 50:20).
- D. Discern where to cast Gospel pearls versus casting them everywhere (Matt 7:6 & 15:25-28).
- E. Comfortably limit myself in friendships (Proverbs 18:24).
- F. Balance life for a complete walk with God who is not dependent my deeds (Psalm 46:10).
- G. Become comfortable with giving favor to the believer as God does (Gal 6:10).
- H. Respond appropriately to others condemnation of my life ( Job 1:8 & 2:9-10).
- I. Identify enemies of the cross versus naivety (Phil 3:17-19).
- J. Carry out God's plan (Joshua 6:21).