

# Unconditional Election

## The Foundation of Salvation

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### I. The sovereign God—Who alone—Declares, purposes and brings to pass

Isa 46:9 ...*I am* God, and *there is* none else; *I am* God, and *there is* none like me,

Isa 46:10 Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times *the things* that are not *yet* done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

Isa 46:11 ...yea, I have spoken *it*, I will also bring it to pass; I have purposed *it*, I will also do it.

#### A. The mind of God—There is never anything new in the mind of God

Act 15:18 Known unto God are all his works from the beginning of the world.

#### B. The will and purpose of God—These are the foundations of all God does

Dan 4:35 ...he doeth according to his will in the army of heaven, and *among* the in- habitants of the earth: and none can stay his hand, or say unto him, What doest thou?

Job 23:13 But he *is* in one *mind*, and who can turn him? and *what* his soul desireth, even *that* he doeth.

Isa 14:27 For the LORD of hosts hath purposed, and who shall disannul *it*? and his hand *is* stretched out, and who shall turn it back?

Psa 115:3 But our God *is* in the heavens: he hath done whatsoever he hath pleased.

### II. The Bible is clear that God elected and predestinated His children to eternal life

Eph 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world...

Eph 1:5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children...

Eph 1:6 To the praise of the glory of his grace...

Eph 1:11 In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

Rom 8:29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate *to be* conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

Rom 8:30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

#### **A. God gave His elect people to Christ in the Covenant of Grace before time began**

Joh 6:37 **All that the Father giveth me** shall come to me...

Joh 6:39 And this is the Father's will which hath sent me, that of **all which he hath given me** I should lose nothing, but should raise it up again at the last day.

Joh 10:27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me:

Joh 10:28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish...

Joh 10:29 My Father, **which gave them me**, is greater than all; and no *man* is able to pluck *them* out of my Father's hand.

Joh 17:2 As thou hast given him power over all flesh, that he should give eternal life to **as many as thou hast given him**.

Joh 17:6 ...thine they were, and **thou gavest them me**...

Joh 17:9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for **them which thou hast given me**; for they are thine.

Joh 17:24 Father, I will that they also, **whom thou hast given me**, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory...

Heb 2:13 ...Behold I and the children **which God hath given me**.

#### **B. God even placed His elect children "In Christ"—All of salvation hinges on this**

1Co 15:22 For as in Adam all die, even so **in Christ** shall all be made alive.

1Co 1:30 But of him are ye **in Christ Jesus**...

Eph 1:3 Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly *places* **in Christ**:

Eph 1:4 According as he hath chosen us **in him** before the foundation of the world...

Eph 1:6 ...wherein he hath made us accepted **in the beloved**.

Eph 1:7 **In whom** we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins...

Eph 1:11 **In whom** also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

2Co 5:21 For he hath made him *to be* sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God **in him**.

Rom 8:1 *There is* therefore now no condemnation to them which are **in Christ Jesus**...

2Ti 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called *us* with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us **in Christ Jesus** before the world began,

### III. God's election is unconditionally His choice—Not based on anything in the chosen

#### A. If God chose based on what man would do—Then election is of works—Not grace

Rom 11:6 ...if by grace, then *is it* no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But **if it be of works, then is it no more grace**: otherwise work is no more work.

#### B. Since election praises God's grace—It can't be a reward for those who choose God

Eph 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world...

Eph 1:5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children...

Eph 1:6 **To the praise of the glory of his grace**...

#### C. Election is not of man's will or works—Election is of God's will

Rom 9:16 So then *it is* **not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth**, but of God that sheweth mercy.

#### D. Election is not of works—Election is of God's purpose, call and love

Rom 9:11 (For *the children* being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, **not of works**, but of him that calleth;)...

Rom 9:13 As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.

#### E. Election is not because of good works—Election is unto good works

Eph 2:10 For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus **unto good works, which God hath before ordained** that we should walk in them.

#### F. Election is not because we have brought forth fruit—Election is so we will

Joh 15:16 Ye have not chosen me, but **I have chosen you**, and ordained you, **that ye should go and bring forth fruit**...

#### G. Election is not because men approach God—Election causes men to approach God

Psa 65:4 Blessed *is the man whom* thou choosest, and causest to approach *unto thee*...

#### H. Election is not brought on by belief—Election is the starting foundation to belief

Act 13:48 ...as many as were ordained to eternal life believed.

#### I. If election is based on something that would be considered fair—Why the question?

Rom 9:14 What shall we say then? *Is there* unrighteousness with God? God forbid.

#### IV. Election is just as essential to salvation as crucifixion and ‘born again’

##### A. Since man will not come:

**Joh 5:40** And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

—God has to be the one who has the will to come

##### B. Since man cannot come:

**Joh 6:44** No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him...

**Joh 6:65** ...no man can come unto me, except it were given unto him of my Father.

—God has to be the one who has the ability to come

##### C. Since man has not and does not choose God:

**Joh 15:16** Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you...

—God has to be the one to do the choosing

#### V. As God elected Isaac, Jacob and Moses—God elected His children to eternal glory

**Rom 9:6** Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. **For they *are* not all Israel, which are of Israel:**

**Rom 9:7** **Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, *are they* all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called.**

**Rom 9:8** That is, They which are **the children of the flesh, these *are* not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.**

**Rom 9:9** **For this *is* the word of promise,** At this time will I come, and **Sara shall have a son.**

**Rom 9:10** And not only *this*; but when Rebecca also had conceived by one, *even* by our father Isaac;

**Rom 9:11** **(For *the children* being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)**

**Rom 9:12** It was said unto her, The elder shall serve the younger.

**Rom 9:13** As it is written, **Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.**

**Rom 9:14** What shall we say then? *Is there* unrighteousness with God? God forbid.

**Rom 9:15** For he saith to Moses, **I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy,** and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion.

**Rom 9:16** So then ***it is* not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy.**

**Rom 9:17** For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, **Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee,** and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth.

**Rom 9:18** Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will *have mercy*, and whom he will he hardeneth.

**Rom 9:19** Thou wilt say then unto me, Why doth he yet find fault? For who hath resisted his will?

Rom 9:20 Nay but, O man, who art thou that repliest against God? Shall the thing formed say to him that formed *it*, Why hast thou made me thus?

Rom 9:21 **Hath not the potter power over the clay**, of the same lump to make one vessel unto honour, and another unto dishonour?

Rom 9:22 **What if God, willing to shew *his* wrath, and to make his power known, endured with much longsuffering the vessels of wrath fitted to destruction:**

Rom 9:23 **And that he might make known the riches of his glory on the vessels of mercy, which he had afore prepared unto glory,**

Rom 9:24 Even us, whom he hath called, not of the Jews only, but also of the Gentiles?

Rom 9:25 As he saith also in Osee, I will call them my people, which were not my people; and her beloved, which was not beloved.