

Passage:

## Ephesians 1:3-4

Second Sermon on Ephesians 1 – by John Calvin  
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Title: GOD'S BENEFIT OF ELECTION IN CHRIST

Key Verse: "... He chose us in him before the foundation of the world..." – Ephesians 1:4a

Aim: To know where our salvation comes from.

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1. *Doctrine*: The original cause of our salvation is God's \_\_\_\_\_ solely.
  - a. Natural Man finds this doctrine \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Heretics \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ this doctrine from the Gospel.
2. *Exposition*: The infinite \_\_\_\_\_ of God's election set before our eyes.
  - a. Why God's election must be \_\_\_\_\_. (v.3)
    - i. To \_\_\_\_\_ God as he deserves; and
    - ii. To \_\_\_\_\_ us of our salvation.
  - b. What God's election \_\_\_\_\_. (v.4a)
    - i. Any \_\_\_\_\_ work in ourselves.
    - ii. Any \_\_\_\_\_ in one man compared to another.
3. *Application*: The \_\_\_\_\_ of God's Election. (v.4b)
  - a. To \_\_\_\_\_ us from the evil in which we were plunged.
  - b. To call us to lives \_\_\_\_\_ to God in all piety and holiness.