

Lecture 1 – Introduction to the Doctrine of Election

“Predestined” and “Appointed”

(NASB= New American Standard Bible)

²⁷For truly in this city there were gathered together against Your holy servant Jesus, whom You anointed, both Herod and Pontius Pilate, along with the Gentiles and the peoples of Israel, ²⁸to do whatever Your hand and Your purpose predestined to occur. (Acts 4:27-28 NASB)

²⁹For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined *to become* conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren;

³⁰and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified. (Rom. 8:29-30 NASB)

⁷but we speak God's wisdom in a mystery, the hidden *wisdom* which God predestined before the ages to our glory; (1 Cor. 2:7 NASB)

⁴just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love ⁵He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, (Eph. 1:4 NASB)

¹¹also we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will, (Eph. 1:11 NASB)

⁴⁸When the Gentiles heard this, they *began* rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord; and as many as had been appointed to eternal life believed. (Acts 13:48 NASB)

“Elect”

NASB Matt. 24:22 "Unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.

NASB Matt. 24:24 "For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.

NASB Matt. 24:31 "And He will send forth His angels with A GREAT TRUMPET and THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

NASB Mk. 13:20 "Unless the Lord had shortened *those* days, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect, whom He chose, He shortened the days.

NASB Mk. 13:22 for false Christs and false prophets will arise, and will show signs and wonders, in order to lead astray, if possible, the elect.

NASB Mk. 13:27 "And then He will send forth the angels, and will gather together His elect from the four winds, from the farthest end of the earth to the farthest end of heaven.

NASB Lk. 18:7 now, will not God bring about justice for His elect who cry to Him day and night, and will He delay long over them?

NASB Rom. 8:33 Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies;

“Chosen” or “Chose”

NASB Matt. 22:14 "For many are called, but few *are* chosen."

NASB Mk. 13:20 "Unless the Lord had shortened *those* days, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect, whom He chose, He shortened the days.

NASB Lk. 12:32 ¶ "Do not be afraid, little flock, for your Father has chosen gladly to give you the kingdom.

NASB Jn. 13:18 "I do not speak of all of you. I know the ones I have chosen; but *it is* that the Scripture may be fulfilled, 'HE WHO EATS MY BREAD HAS LIFTED UP HIS HEEL AGAINST ME.'

NASB Jn. 15:16 "You did not choose Me but I chose you, and appointed you that you would go and bear fruit, and *that* your fruit would remain, so that whatever you ask of the Father in My name He may give to you.

NASB Jn. 15:19 "If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, because of this the world hates you.

NASB Acts 9:15 But the Lord said to him, "Go, for he is a chosen instrument of Mine, to bear My name before the Gentiles and kings and the sons of Israel;

NASB Rom. 11:7 What then? What Israel is seeking, it has not obtained, but those who were chosen obtained it, and the rest were hardened;

NASB 1 Cor. 1:27 but God has chosen the foolish things of the world to shame the wise, and God has chosen the weak things of the world to shame the things which are strong,

NASB 1 Cor. 1:28 and the base things of the world and the despised God has chosen, the things that are not, so that He may nullify the things that are,

NASB Eph. 1:4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love

NASB Col. 3:12 So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience;

NASB 2 Thess. 2:13 But we should always give thanks to God for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God has chosen you from the beginning for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and faith in the truth.

NASB 1 Tim. 5:21 I solemnly charge you in the presence of God and of Christ Jesus and of *His* chosen angels, to maintain these *principles* without bias, doing nothing in a *spirit of partiality*.

NASB 2 Tim. 2:10 For this reason I endure all things for the sake of those who are chosen, so that they also may obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus *and with it* eternal glory.

NASB Tit. 1:1 Paul, a bond-servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the faith of those chosen of God and the knowledge of the truth which is according to godliness,

NASB 1 Pet. 1:1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, To those who reside as aliens, scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, who are chosen

NASB 1 Pet. 2:9 But you are A CHOSEN RACE, A royal PRIESTHOOD, A HOLY NATION, A PEOPLE FOR *God's* OWN POSSESSION, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

NASB 1 Pet. 5:13 She who is in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings, and *so does* my son, Mark.

NASB 2 Jn. 1:1 The elder to the chosen lady and her children, whom I love in truth; and not only I, but also all who know the truth,

NASB Rev. 17:14 "These will wage war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, because He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those who are with Him *are the* called and chosen and faithful."

“Called” or “Calling” (too many to list, but here are two)

Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; (2 Pet. 1:10 NASB)

I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened, so that you will know what is the hope of His calling, what are the riches of the glory of His inheritance in the saints, (Eph. 1:18 NASB)

Other words or phrases (“**Gave**”, “**Give**” or “**Given to Jesus**” from Father who “**Draws**” us)

"All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out. (Jn. 6:37 NASB)

"This is the will of Him who sent Me, that of all that He has given Me I lose nothing, but raise it up on the last day. (Jn. 6:39 NASB)

"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 SHALL ALL BE TAUGHT OF GOD.' Everyone who has heard and learned from the Father, comes to Me. (Jn. 6:44-45 NASB)

And He was saying, "For this reason I have said to you, that no one can come to Me unless it has been given to him from the Father." (Jn. 6:65 NASB)

NASB Jn. 17:9 "I ask on their behalf; I do not ask on behalf of the world, but of those whom You have given Me; for they are Yours;

NASB Jn. 17:12 "While I was with them, I was keeping them in Your name which You have given Me; and I guarded them and not one of them perished but the son of perdition, so that the Scripture would be fulfilled.

NASB Jn. 17:14 "I have given them Your word; and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

NASB Jn. 17:24 "Father, I desire that they also, whom You have given Me, be with Me where I am, so that they may see My glory which You have given Me, for You loved Me before the foundation of the world.

NASB Jn. 17:6 ¶ "I have manifested Your name to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; they were Yours and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word.

Lecture 2 – Understanding God’s Sovereignty

God’s Sovereignty (a sampling)

"All the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, But He does according to His will in the host of heaven And *among* the inhabitants of earth; And no one can ward off His hand Or say to Him, 'What have You done?' (Dan. 4:35 NASB)

But our God is in the heavens; He does whatever He pleases. (Ps. 115:3 NASB)

"I know that You can do all things, And that no purpose of Yours can be thwarted. (Job 42:2 NASB)

If a trumpet is blown in a city will not the people tremble? If a calamity occurs in a city has not the LORD done it? (Amos 3:6 NASB)

Who is there who speaks and it comes to pass, Unless the Lord has commanded *it*? ³⁸ *Is it* not from the mouth of the Most High That both good and ill go forth? (Lam. 3:37 NASB)

'See now that I, I am He, And there is no god besides Me; It is I who put to death and give life. I have wounded and it is I who heal, And there is no one who can deliver from My hand. (Deut. 32:39 NASB)

The counsel of the LORD stands forever, The plans of His heart from generation to generation. (Ps. 33:11 NASB)

The LORD of hosts has sworn saying, "Surely, just as I have intended so it has happened, and just as I have planned so it will stand, (Isa. 14:24 NASB)

"For the LORD of hosts has planned, and who can frustrate *it*? And as for His stretched-out hand, who can turn it back?" (Isa. 14:27 NASB)

"Even from eternity I am He, And there is none who can deliver out of My hand; I act and who can reverse it?" (Isa. 43:13 NASB)

Declaring the end from the beginning, And from ancient times things which have not been done, Saying, 'My purpose will be established, And I will accomplish all My good pleasure'; (Isa. 46:10 NASB)

Lecture 3 – Free Will in Philosophy, Theology, and the Bible

Then God said to him in the dream, "Yes, I know that in the integrity of your heart you have done this, and I also kept you from sinning against Me; therefore I did not let you touch her. (Gen. 20:6 NASB)

The king's heart is *like* channels of water in the hand of the LORD; He turns it wherever He wishes. (Prov 21:1 NASB).

Why, O LORD, do You cause us to stray from Your ways And harden our heart from fearing You? Return for the sake of Your servants, the tribes of Your heritage. (Isa. 63:17 NASB)

²³Israel also came into Egypt; Thus Jacob sojourned in the land of Ham. ²⁴ And He caused His people to be very fruitful, And made them stronger than their adversaries. ²⁵ He turned their heart to hate His people, To deal craftily with His servants. ²⁶ He sent Moses His servant, And Aaron, whom He had chosen. ²⁷ They performed His wondrous acts among them, And miracles in the land of Ham. (Ps. 105:23-27 NASB)

"I will grant this people favor in the sight of the Egyptians; and it shall be that when you go, you will not go empty-handed. (Exod. 3:21 NASB)

The LORD gave the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians. Furthermore, the man Moses *himself* was greatly esteemed in the land of Egypt, *both* in the sight of Pharaoh's servants and in the sight of the people. (Exod. 11:3 NASB)

“and the LORD had given the people favor in the sight of the Egyptians, so that they let them have their request. Thus they plundered the Egyptians.” (Exod. 12:36 NASB)

But the LORD was with Joseph and extended kindness to him, and gave him favor in the sight of the chief jailer.

(Gen. 39:21 NASB)

Now God granted Daniel favor and compassion in the sight of the commander of the officials, (Dan. 1:9 NASB)

The LORD said to Moses, "When you go back to Egypt see that you perform before Pharaoh all the wonders which I have put in your power; but I will harden his heart so that he will not let the people go. (Exod. 4:21 NASB)

"But I will harden Pharaoh's heart that I may multiply My signs and My wonders in the land of Egypt. (Exod. 7:3 NASB)

"Thus I will harden Pharaoh's heart, and he will chase after them; and I will be honored through Pharaoh and all his army, and the Egyptians will know that I am the LORD." And they did so. (Exod. 14:4 NASB)

"As for Me, behold, I will harden the hearts of the Egyptians so that they will go in after them; and I will be honored through Pharaoh and all his army, through his chariots and his horsemen. (Exod. 14:17 NASB)

"For I will drive out nations before you and enlarge your borders, and no man shall covet your land when you go up three times a year to appear before the LORD your God. (Exod. 34:24 NASB)

¹⁶"And the ten horns which you saw, and the beast, these will hate the harlot and will make her desolate and naked, and will eat her flesh and will burn her up with fire. ¹⁷ "For God has put it in their hearts to execute His purpose by having a common purpose, and by giving their kingdom to the beast, until the words of God will be fulfilled. (Rev. 17:16-17 NASB)