



The ...U,V and W's of R/D

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Last time





Salvation then Humbling OR Humble yourself and then Salvation/Blessing????

Psalm 18:27: You save the humble but bring low those whose eyes are haughty.

Psalm 25:9: He guides the humble in what is right and teaches them his way.

Psalm 147:6: The Lord sustains the humble but casts the wicked to the ground.

Isaiah 66:2: "These are the ones I look on with favor: those who are humble and contrite in spirit, and who tremble at my word.

James 4:10: "Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up."

2 Kings 22:19: "Because your heart was responsive and you humbled yourself before the Lord when you heard what I have spoken against this place and its people—that they would become a curse and be laid waste—and because you tore your robes and wept in my presence, I also have heard you, declares the Lord."

2 Chronicles 12:7: When the Lord saw that they humbled themselves, this word of the Lord came to Shemaiah: "Since they have humbled themselves, I will not destroy them but will soon give them deliverance. My wrath will not be poured out on Jerusalem through Shishak.

2 Chronicles 12:12: Because Rehoboam humbled himself, the Lord's anger turned from him, and he was not totally destroyed.



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Proverbs 3:34: He mocks proud mockers but shows favor to the humble and oppressed.

Zephaniah 2:3: Seek the Lord, all you humble of the land, you who do what he commands. Seek righteousness, seek humility; perhaps you will be sheltered on the day of the Lord's anger.

Matthew 18:4: Whoever humbles himself like this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 5:3: Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 23:12: For those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted.

Luke 1:52: He has brought down rulers from their thrones but has lifted up the humble.

Luke 14:11: For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

Luke 18:14: "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."

James 4:6: But he gives us more grace. That is why Scripture says: "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble."

1 Peter 5:5-6: "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." Humble yourselves, therefore, under God's mighty hand, that he may lift you up in due time.

An attempt to represent Covenant Theology

Covenant of
Redemption

Ephesians 1:3-14;
3:11;
2 Thessalonians 2:13;
2 Timothy 1:9;
James 2:5;
1 Peter 1:2

Covenant of
Works

Mainly seen in the
Mosaic LAW

Covenant of
Grace

Abrahamic Cov.
Davidic Cov.
New Cov.
All fulfilled in Christ
Also seen in God's
gracious forgiveness



In him/whom/Jesus/Christ (18 verses)

- **Eph. 1:1, 3-4, 7, 10-13, 20**
 - **Eph. 2:6, 10, 13, 21-22**
 - **Eph. 3:6, 11-12**
 - **Eph. 4:21**
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- ▶ KJV Ephesians 1:1 Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God, to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:
 - ▶ KJV Ephesians 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:
 - ▶ KJV Ephesians 1:4 According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:
 - ▶ KJV Ephesians 1:7 In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;
 - ▶ KJV Ephesians 1:10 That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him:
 - ▶ KJV Ephesians 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:
 - ▶ KJV Ephesians 1:12 That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ.
 - ▶ KJV Ephesians 1:13 In whom ye also *trusted*, after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise,

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- KJV Ephesians 1:5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,
 - TBT Ephesians 1:5 προορίσας ἡμᾶς εἰς υἰοθεσίαν διὰ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ εἰς αὐτόν, κατὰ τὴν εὐδοκίαν τοῦ θελήματος αὐτοῦ,



Part 25: Covenant Theology

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A closer look at “election”

- **1589** ἐκλογή ekloge {ek-log-ay'}
- **Meaning:** 1) the act of picking out, choosing 1 a) of the act of God's free will by which before the foundation of the world he decreed his blessings to certain persons 1 b) the decree made from choice by which he determined to bless certain persons through Christ by grace alone 2) a thing or person chosen 2a) of persons: God's elect
- **Origin:** from 1586; TDNT - 4:176,505; n f
- **Usage:** AV - election 6, chosen 1; 7
- There are no notes for this verse.



KJV Acts 9:15 But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:

KJV Romans 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;)

KJV Romans 11:5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

KJV Romans 11:7 What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded

KJV Romans 11:28 As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes.

KJV 1 Thessalonians 1:4 Knowing, brethren beloved, your election of God.

KJV 2 Peter 1:10 Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your calling and election sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:

The verb “to choose” ἐκλέγω

- Mk. 13:20
- Lk. 6:13
- Lk. 10:42
- Lk. 14:7
- Jn. 6:70
- Jn. 13:18
- Jn. 15:16*2, 19

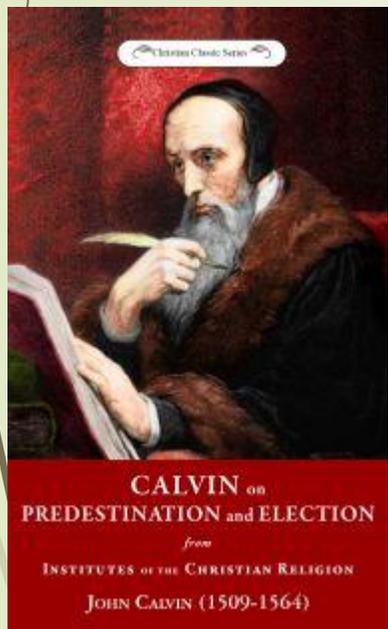
- Acts 1:2, 24
- Acts 6:5
- Acts 13:17
- Acts 15:7, 22, 25
- 1 Co. 1:27-28*3
- Eph. 1:4
- Jas. 2:5

“Before you were born or had done anything good or bad God decided whether to save you or not.”

-John Piper



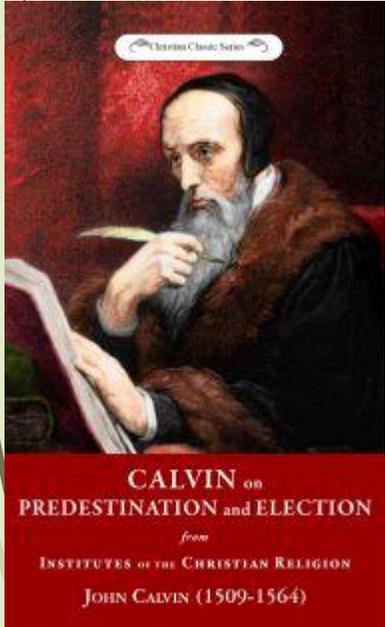
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- ▶ ** “Creatures are so governed by the secret counsel of God, that nothing happens but what he has knowingly and willingly decreed.” (John Calvin, *Institutes of Christian Religion*, Book 1, Chapter 16, Paragraph 3)
- ▶ “thieves and murderers, and other evildoers, are instruments of divine providence, being employed by the Lord himself to execute judgments which he has resolved to inflict.” (John Calvin, *Institutes of Christian Religion*, Book 1, Chapter 17, Paragraph 5)
- ▶ “...it is very wicked merely to investigate the causes of God’s will. For his will is, and rightly ought to be, the cause of all things that are.” ...”For God’s will is so much the highest rule of righteousness that whatever he wills, by the very fact that he wills it, must be considered righteous. When, therefore, one asks why God has so done, we must reply: because he has willed it. But if you proceed further to ask why he so willed, you are seeking something greater and higher than God’s will, which cannot be found.” (John Calvin, *Institutes of Christian Religion*, Book 3, Chapter 23, Paragraph 1)

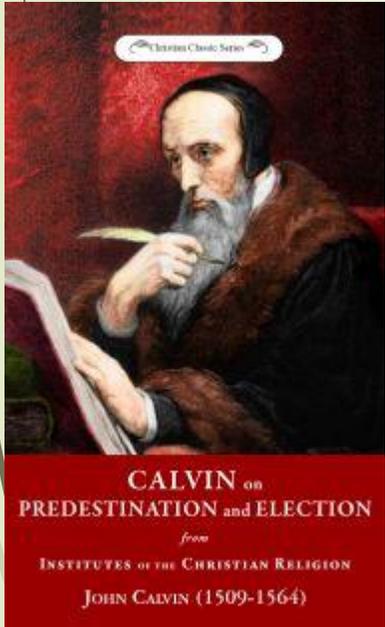
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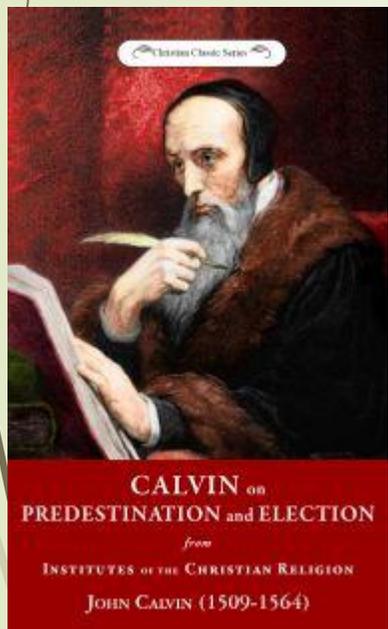
- *“Many professing a desire to defend the Deity from an individual charge admit the doctrine of election, but deny that any one is reprobated. This they do ignorantly and childishly, since there could be no election without its opposite, reprobation.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, Book 3, Chapter 23, Paragraph 1)*
- *“...it is utterly inconsistent to transfer the preparation for destruction to anything but God’s secret plan... God’s secret plan is the cause of hardening.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, Book 2, Chapter 23, Paragraph 1)*
- *“I admit that in this miserable condition wherein men are now bound, all of Adam’s children have fallen by God’s will.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, Book 3, Chapter 23, Paragraph 4)*

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- *“With Augustine I say: the Lord has created those whom he unquestionably foreknew would go to destruction. This has happened because he has willed.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, Book 3, Chapter 23, Paragraph 5)*
- *“...individuals are born, who are doomed from the womb to certain death, and are to glorify him by their destruction.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, Book 3, Chapter 23, Paragraph 6)*
- *“...it is vain to debate about prescience, which it is clear that all events take place by his sovereign appointment.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, Book 3, Chapter 23, Paragraph 6)*
- *“But since he foresees future events only by reason of the fact that he decreed that they take place, they vainly raise a quarrel over foreknowledge, when it is clear that all things take place rather by his determination and bidding.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, Book 3, Chapter 23, Paragraph 6)*

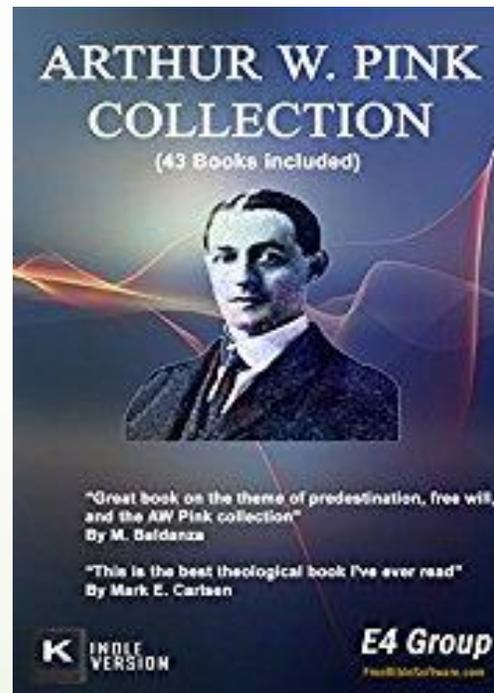
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- *“Again I ask: whence does it happen that Adam’s fall irremediably involved so many peoples, together with their infant offspring, in eternal death unless because it so pleased God? The decree is dreadful indeed, I confess. Yet no one can deny that God foreknew what end man was to have before he created him, and consequently foreknew because he so ordained by his decree. And it ought not to seem absurd for me to say that God not only foresaw the fall of the first man, and in him the ruin of his descendants, but also meted it out in accordance with his own decision.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, Book 3, Chapter 23, Paragraph 7)*
- *“The first man fell because the Lord deemed it meet that he should.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, Book 3, Chapter 23, Paragraph 8)*
- *“Even though by God’s eternal providence man has been created to undergo that calamity to which he is subject, it still takes its occasion from man himself, not from God, since the only reason for his ruin is that he has degenerated from God’s pure creation into vicious and impure perversity.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, Book 3, Chapter 23, Paragraph 9)*

Quotes from CALVINISTS

Plainly **it was God's will that sin should enter this world**, otherwise it would not have, for **nothing happens except what God has eternally decreed**. Moreover, there was more than a simple permission, for God only permits things that fulfill his purpose./-**A.W. Pink**, *The Sovereignty of God*, 2009, 162

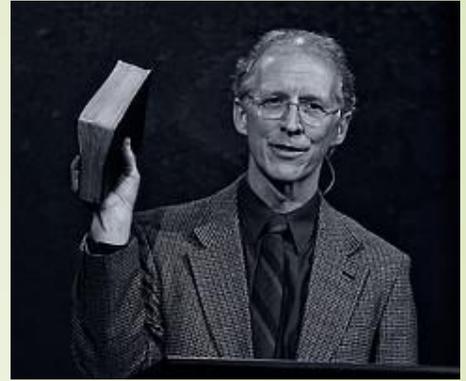


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- Often the term election is used as a synonym for predestination. Technically this is incorrect. The term election refers specifically to one aspect of divine predestination: God's choosing of certain individuals to be saved. The term election has a positive connotation, referring to a benevolent predestination that results in the salvation of those who are elect. Election also has a negative side, called "reprobation," which involves the predestination of those who are not elect (**Sproul**, *Grace Unknown*, 141).

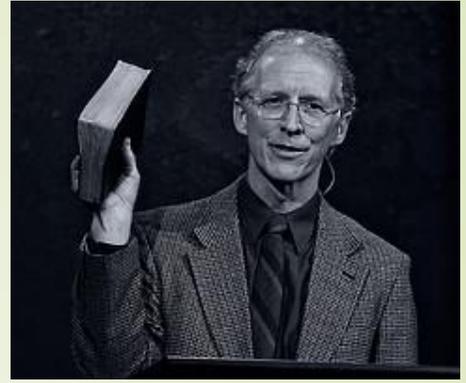


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- ▶ Election refers to God's choosing whom to save. It is unconditional in that there is no condition man must meet before God chooses to save him. Man is dead in trespasses and sins. So there is no condition he can meet before God chooses to save him from his deadness (Piper, 5 Points, 53).
- ▶ ***So when I say that everything that exists — including evil — is ordained by an infinitely holy and all-wise God to make the glory of Christ shine more brightly, I mean that, one way or the other, God sees to it that all things serve to glorify his Son.*** / **John Piper**, *Spectacular Sins: And Their Global Purpose in the Glory of Christ*, 44
- ▶ Moral evil we usually refer to as sin: murder, lying, adultery, stealing, all the ways that people fail to love each other. So what we are considering here is that God rules the world in such a way that all calamities and **all sin remain in his ultimate control and therefore within his ultimate DESIGN and PURPOSE.** / **John Piper** on his website 1 July 1998

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- ▶ *God . . . brings about all things in accordance with his will. In other words, it isn't just that God manages to turn the evil aspects of our world to good for those who love him; it is rather that he himself brings about these evil aspects for his glory (see Ex. 9:13-16; John 9:3) and his people's good (see Heb. 12:3-11; James 1:2-4). **This includes—as incredible and as unacceptable as it may currently seem—God's having even brought about the Nazis' brutality at Birkenau and Auschwitz as well as the terrible killings of Dennis Rader and even the sexual abuse of a young child...***
<http://www.desiringgod.org/messages/all-the-good-that-is-ours-in-christ-seeing-gods-gracious-hand-in-the-hurts-others-do-to-us>



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