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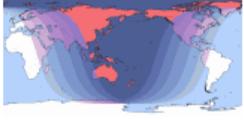
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Eclipses and Transits visible in Oklahoma City

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Eclipse Visibility From Oklahoma City	Visibility Worldwide
 Aug 21, 2017 Partial Solar Eclipse	Total Solar Eclipse West in Europe, North/East Asia, North/West Africa, North America, Much of South America, Pacific, Atlantic, Arctic 
 Jan 31, 2018 Total Lunar Eclipse	Total Lunar Eclipse North/East Europe, Asia, Australia, North/East Africa, North America, North/West South America, Pacific, Atlantic, Indian Ocean, Arctic, Antarctica 
 Jan 20/21, 2019 Total Lunar Eclipse	Total Lunar Eclipse Europe, Asia, Africa, North America, South America, Pacific, Atlantic, Indian Ocean, Arctic 
 Nov 11, 2019 Partial Mercury Transit	Partial Mercury Transit South/West Europe, South/West Asia, Africa, Much of North America, South America, Pacific, Atlantic, Indian Ocean, Antarctica 
 Jul 4/5, 2020 Penumbral Lunar Eclipse	Penumbral Lunar Eclipse South/West Europe, Much of Africa, Much of North America, South America, Pacific, Atlantic, Indian Ocean, Antarctica 

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From the sixth to the 9th hour “Darkness”

- Matthew 27:45
- Mark 15:33
- Luke 23:44–45



Darkened or eclipsed by the moon?

- KJV Luke 23:45 And the sun was darkened, and the veil of the temple was rent in the midst.
- TBT Luke 23:45 καὶ ἐσκοτίσθη ὁ ἥλιος, καὶ ἐσχίσθη τὸ καταπέτασμα τοῦ ναοῦ μέσον.
- **BGT Luke 23:45 τοῦ ἡλίου ἐκλιπόντος, ἐσχίσθη δὲ τὸ καταπέτασμα τοῦ ναοῦ μέσον.**

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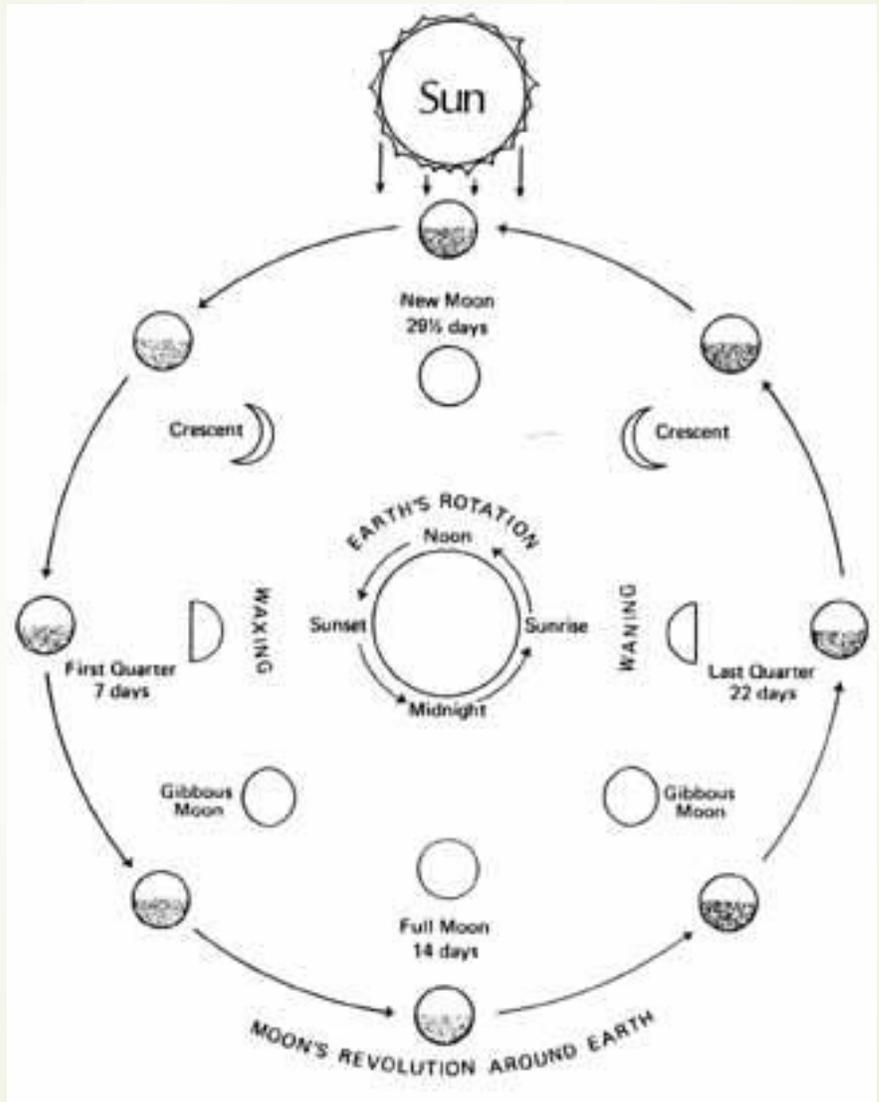
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vanities! all is vanity!" i.e., all man^es efforts to find happiness apart from God^e are without result.

Eclipse - Easton's

Of the sun^e alluded to in [Am 8:9](#); [Mic 3:6](#); [Zc 14:6](#); [Jl 2:10](#). Eclipses were regarded as tokens of God^e's anger^e ([Jl 3:15](#); [Jb 9:7](#)). The darkness^e at the crucifixion^e has been ascribed to an eclipse ([Mt 27:45](#);) but on the other hand^e it is argued that the great intensity of darkness^e caused by an eclipse never lasts for more than six minutes, and this darkness^e lasted for three hours. Moreover, at the time of the Passover^e the moon^e was full, and therefore there could not be an eclipse of the sun^e, which is caused by an interposition of the moon^e between the sun^e and the earth^e.





Last time



A closer look at “election”

- **1589** ἐκλογή ekloge {ek-log-ay'}
- **Meaning:** 1) the act of picking out, choosing 1a) of the act of God's free will by which before the foundation of the world he decreed his blessings to certain persons 1b) 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

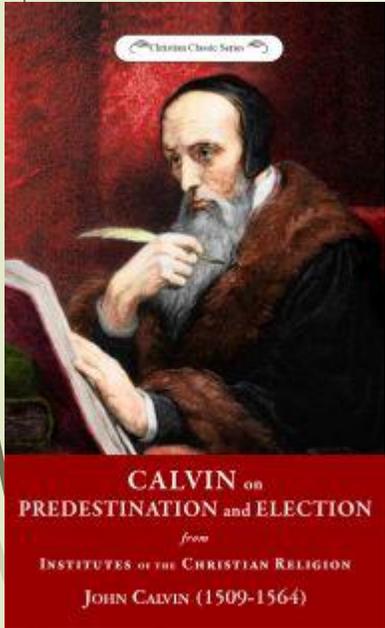
- Acts 1:2, 24
- Acts 6:5
- Acts 13:17
- Acts 15:7, 22, 25
- 1 Co. 1:27-28*3
- Eph. 1:4
- Jas. 2:5

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

-John Piper



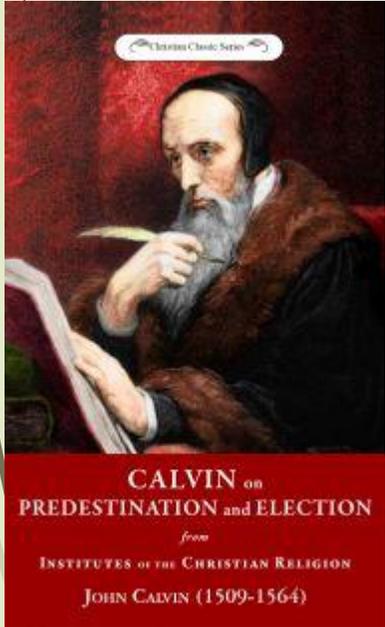
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- ▶ ** “Creatures are so governed by the secret counsel of God, that nothing happens but what he has knowingly and willingly decreed.” (John Calvin, *Institutes of Christian Religion*, Book 1, Chapter 16, Paragraph 3)
- ▶ “thieves and murderers, and 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)

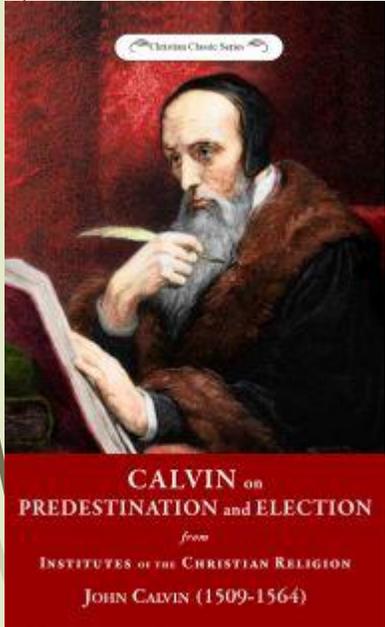
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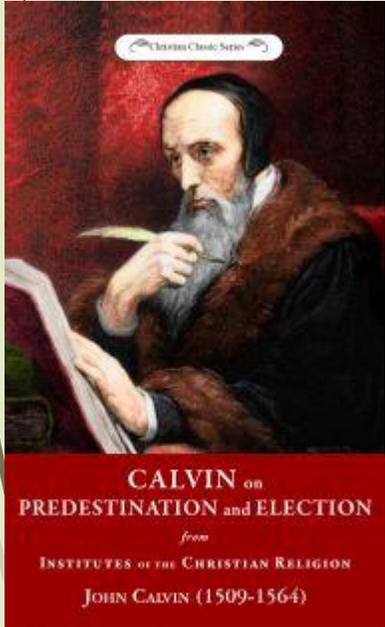
- *“Many professing a desire to defend the Deity from an individual charge admit the doctrine of election, but deny that any one is reprobated. This they do ignorantly and childishly, since there could be no election without its opposite, reprobation.” (John Calvin, Institutes of Christian Religion, 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)*

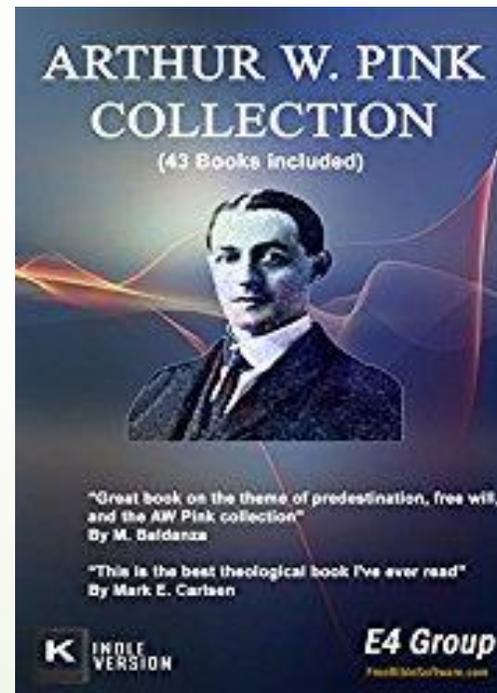
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- *“Again I ask: whence does it happen that Adam’s fall irremediably involved so many peoples, together with their infant offspring, in eternal death unless because it so pleased God? The decree is dreadful indeed, I confess. Yet no one can deny that 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

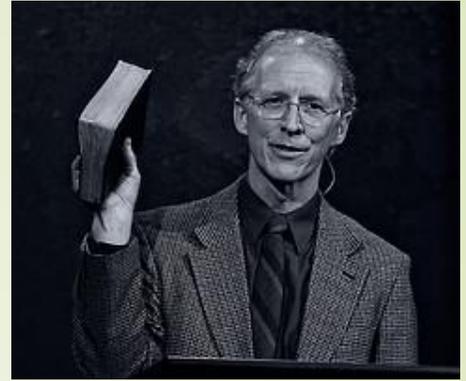


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- Often the term election is used as a synonym for predestination. Technically this is incorrect. The term election refers specifically to one aspect of divine predestination: God's choosing of certain individuals to be saved. The term election has 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).

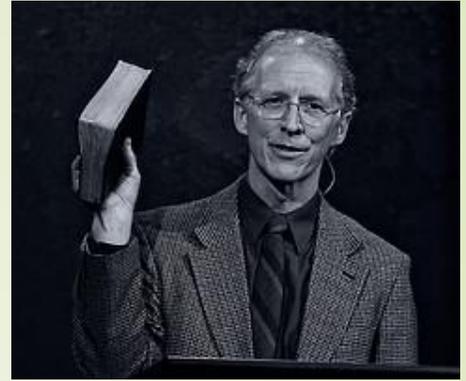


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- ▶ Election refers to God's choosing whom to save. It is unconditional in that there is no condition man must meet before God chooses to save him. Man is dead in trespasses and sins. So there is no condition he can meet before God chooses to save 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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Part 26: Covenant Theology

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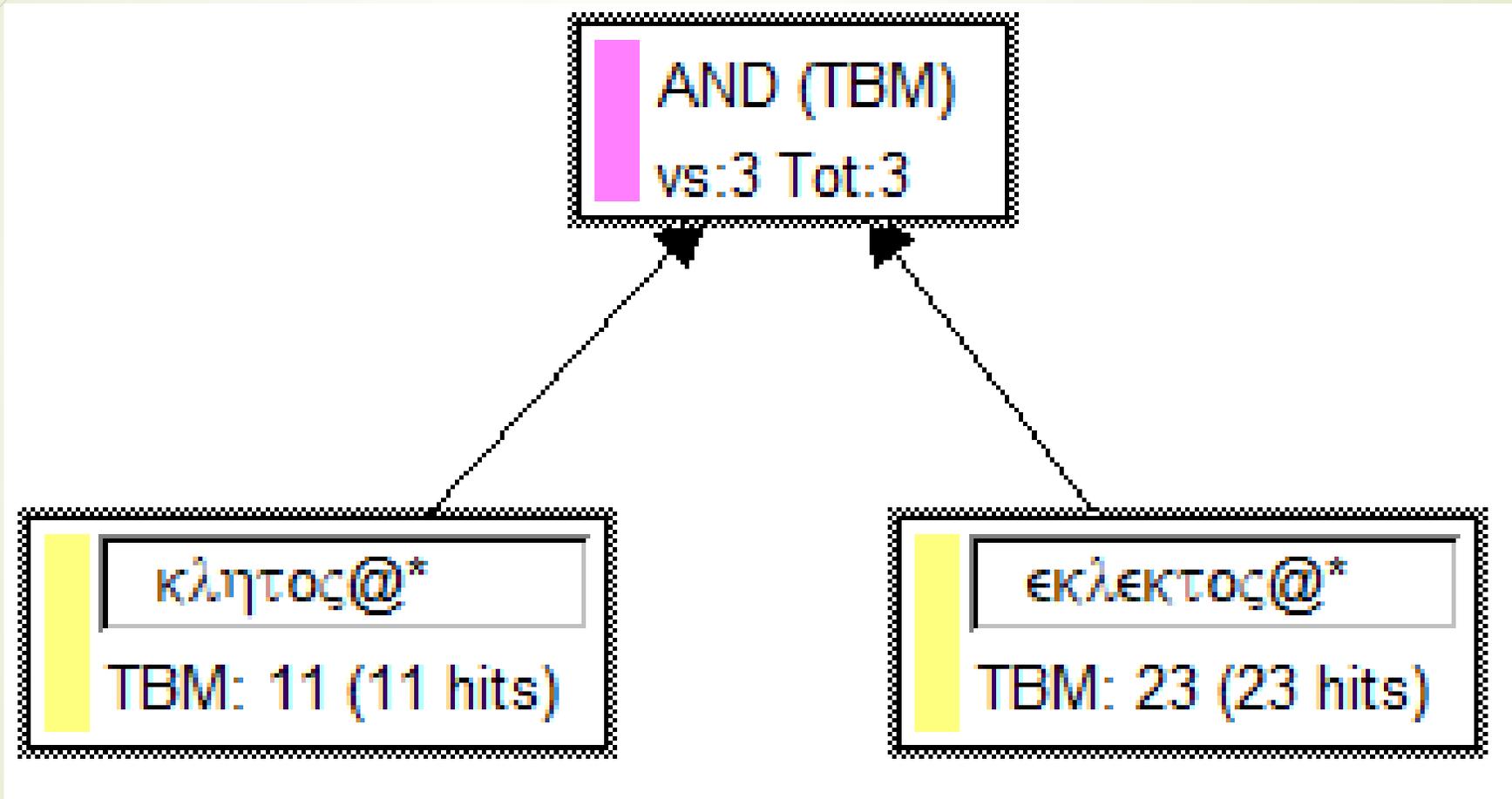


KJV **Matthew 22:14** For many are called, but few are chosen.

TBT **Matthew 22:14** πολλοὶ γάρ εἰσι κλητοί, ὀλίγοι δὲ ἐκλεκτοί.

➡ What does this expression mean?

Where does this expression occur?





Only two places

- ▶ KJV Matthew 20:16 So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.

- ▶ KJV Matthew 22:14 For many are called, but few are chosen.

- ▶ KJV Revelation 17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

The “called”

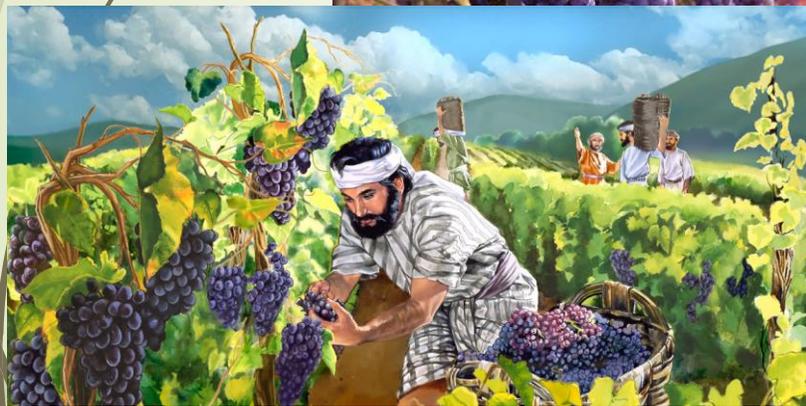
- ▶ Matt. 20:16
- ▶ Matt. 22:14
- ▶ Rom. 1:1, 6-7*2
- ▶ **Rom. 8:28**
- ▶ 1 Co. 1:1-2*2, 24
- ▶ Jude 1:
- ▶ Rev. 17:14

▶ KJV Romans 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.

▶ TBT Romans 8:29 ὅτι οὓς προέγνω, καὶ προώρισε συμμόρφους τῆς εἰκόνος τοῦ υἱοῦ αὐτοῦ, εἰς τὸ εἶναι αὐτὸν πρωτότοκον ἐν πολλοῖς ἀδελφοῖς·

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- ▶ KJV Acts 26:5 Which knew me from the beginning, if they would testify, that after the most straitest sect of our religion I lived a Pharisee.
 - ▶ KJV Romans 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.
 - ▶ KJV Romans 11:2 God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture saith of Elias? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying,
 - ▶ KJV 1 Peter 1:20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,
 - ▶ KJV 2 Peter 3:17 Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own stedfastness.

The vineyard workers and the wedding guests





Matthew 20:1-16

- KJV Matthew 20:16 So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, but few chosen.
- TBT Matthew 20:16 οὕτως ἔσονται οἱ ἔσχατοι πρῶτοι, καὶ οἱ πρῶτοι ἔσχατοι· πολλοὶ γάρ εἰσι κλητοί, ὀλίγοι δὲ ἐκλεκτοί.

Matthew 22:1-14

- **KJV Matthew 22:13** Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast *him* into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth. ¹⁴ For many are called, but few are chosen.
- **TBT Matthew 22:13** τότε εἶπεν ὁ βασιλεὺς τοῖς διακόνοις, Δήσαντες αὐτοῦ πόδας καὶ χεῖρας, ἄρατε αὐτὸν καὶ ἐκβάλετε εἰς τὸ σκότος τὸ ἐξώτερον· ἐκεῖ ἔσται ὁ κλαυθμὸς καὶ ὁ βρυγμὸς τῶν ὀδόντων. ¹⁴ πολλοὶ γάρ εἰσι κλητοί, ὀλίγοι δὲ ἐκλεκτοί.



Example of choice within the disciples

- ^{KJV} **Luke 6:13** And when it was day, he called *unto him* his disciples: and of them he chose twelve, whom also he named apostles;
- ^{TBT} **Luke 6:13** καὶ ὅτε ἐγένετο ἡμέρα, προσεφώνησε τοὺς μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ · καὶ ἐκλεξάμενος ἀπ’ αὐτῶν δώδεκα, οὓς καὶ ἀποστόλους ὠνόμασε,