

CLASS 4: ELECTION & PREDESTINATION, PART I

4.1 INTRODUCTION

4.2 THREE MAIN VIEWS

[Categories taken from Ryrie, *Basic Theology*, 358-59]

- 1) _____ Election – God elects on the basis of foreseen faith.
- 2) _____ Election – God elects the Church, not individuals.
- 3) Unconditional, _____ Election – God elects certain people based on His sovereign pleasure.

4.3 A FEW THEOLOGICAL DEFINITIONS

- 1) _____ – emphasizes the freedom and responsibility of man to choose salvation
 - A) _____ Depravity (we are depraved but able to seek God due to prevenient grace)
 - B) _____ Election (God elects only those whom He knows will choose Him)
 - C) _____ Atonement (Jesus died for all, even those who will never believe)
 - D) _____ Grace (we can resist God’s call to salvation if we so choose)
 - E) _____ Salvation (genuine Christians can lose their salvation)
- 2) _____ – emphasizes the sovereignty of God to choose the elect as He pleases
 - A) _____ Depravity (we are unable to seek God apart from His help)
 - B) _____ Election (God elects based solely on His grace, not our faith)
 - C) _____ Atonement (Jesus died for only the elect)
 - D) _____ Grace (God’s calling to the elect is perfectly effective)
 - E) _____ of the Saints (genuine Christians cannot lose their salvation)

3) Predestination vs Election

4.4 A FEW BIBLICAL TERMS

A) *eklegomai* – “to _____ / _____”

Key Passages: Mark 13:20; Eph 1:4

Meaning: “to pick out someone or something, choose for oneself” (BDAG 305).

B) *eklektos* – “_____ / _____”

Key Passages: Matt 22:14; Mark 13:20; Rom 8:33

Meaning: someone chosen or elected

C) *proorizo* – “_____”

Key Passages: Acts 4:28; Rom 8:29-30; Eph 1:5, 11

Meaning: to decide upon one’s destiny beforehand, predetermine

D) *proginoskō* – “_____”

Key Passages: Rom 8:29; 11:2; 1 Pet 1:20

Meaning: 1) to know beforehand or in advance; 2) to choose beforehand (BDAG 866)

E) *prognosis* – “_____”

Key Passages: Acts 2:23; 1 Pet 1:2 (only 2x it’s used in NT)

Meaning: knowledge one has beforehand

F) *kaleō* – “_____”

Key Passages: Rom 8:30; Gal 1:15-16; 2 Thess 2:14; 2 Tim 1:9; 1 Pet 2:21; 2 Pet 1:3

Meaning: 1) to identify by name or attribute, *call, call by name, name*; 2) to request the presence of someone at a social gathering, *invite*; 3) to use authority to have a person or group appear, *summon*; 4) choose for receipt of a special benefit or experience, *call* (BAGD 502-3).G) *huiuotesia* – “_____”

Key Passages: Rom 8:15, 23; Eph 1:5

Meaning: bringing a believer into God’s family

4.5 RESOURCES

Perspectives on Election: Five Views (Cottrell, Pinnock, Reymond, Talbott, Ware)

For Calvinism (Michael Horton)

Against Calvinism (Roger E. Olson)