

Soteriology: So Great a Salvation

Intro: Why do men/women need to be saved?

Three biblical words that help explain how God saves man?

I. Foreknowledge

Definition:

1 Pet. 1:20; Acts 2:23; Rom. 8:29

What it is not:

1)

2)

II. Election

Definition:

1)

2)

3)

4)

Practical applications:

III. Predestination

Definition:

This word is used only in Ac 4:28; Ro 8:29,30; 1 Co 2:7; Ep 1:5, 11

Distinctions between Election and Predestination:

1) **Election** is the act where God **chooses** an individual for salvation; **Predestination** is the act where God **determines the destiny** of that individual to be fully like Christ.

2) **Election** primarily relates to **who will receive salvation**; **Predestination** relates to the **carrying out of that salvation** in the experience of the individual.

3) Both assume the absolute sovereignty of God, and are thus purely and only by God's sovereign choice. **Ro 9:19-21**

Practical applications: