

Part 3
**The Sovereignty of God
in Salvation**
Romans 9

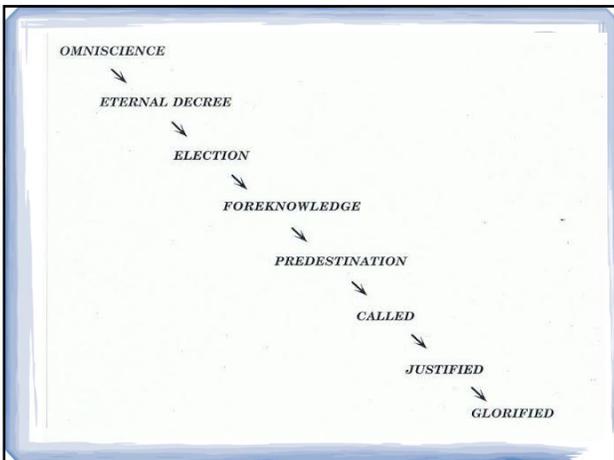
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VI. God's purpose therefore in saving you is so that you might praise the Son forever.

2 Cor. 5:15
...and He died for all, so that they who live might no longer live for themselves, but for Him who died and rose again on their behalf.

Rev. 4:10-11
10 the twenty-four elders (the glorified church) will fall down before Him who sits on the throne, and will worship Him who lives forever and ever, and will cast their crowns before the throne saying, 11 Worthy are you, our Lord and our God, to receive glory and honor and power; for You created all things, and because of Your will they existed, and were created.+



God Chose -

Angels - 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.

Abraham . Neh. 9:7
%ou are the Lord God, who chose Abram and brought him out from the Ur of the Chaldees, and gave him the name Abraham

Israel . Eze. 20:5
%e and say to them, 'Thus says the Lord God, 'On the day when I chose Israel and swore to the descendants of the house of Jacob and made Myself known to them in the land of Egypt, when I swore to them, saying, I am the Lord your God.

Israel . Ps. 132:13
For the Lord has chosen Zion; He has desired it for His habitation.

God Chose -

Isaac Gen. 21:12
But God said to Abraham, 'Do not be distressed because of the lad and your maid; whatever Sarah tells you, listen to her, for through Issac your descendants shall be named.

Jacob Rom. 9: 13
Just as it is written, %ACOB I LOVED, BUT EASU I HATED.+

Zuruabbabel Hag. 2:23
'On that day,' declares the Lord of hosts. 'I will take you, Zuruabbabel, son of Shealtiel, My servant' declares the Lord, 'and I will make you like a signet ring, for I have chosen you,' %e declares the Lord of hosts.

Jesus Christ Isa 42:1
%ehold, My servant, whom I uphold; My chosen one in whom My soul delights. I have put My Spirit upon Him; He will bring forth justice to the nations.

God Chose -

Disciples John 15:16
%ou 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.

Paul Gal. 1:15
But when God, who had set me apart even from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, was pleased to reveal His Son in me so that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately consult with flesh and blood,

In reality **everything** God does He has elected to do.

The Glory of God

1. From the beginning to end, the driving impulse of God's heart is to be praised for His glory.
2. From creation to judgment His allegiance is to Himself.
3. His unwavering purpose in all He does is to exalt the honor of His name.
4. He is infinitely jealous for His reputation.

Isa. 48:11

For My own sake, for My own sake, I will act;
For how can My name be profaned?
And My glory I will not give to another.

5. God loves Himself more than He loves me.
6. **A MAN'S LIFE IS NOT GREATER THAN THE GLORY OF GOD!**

Is It Wrong for God to Want to Be Glorified?

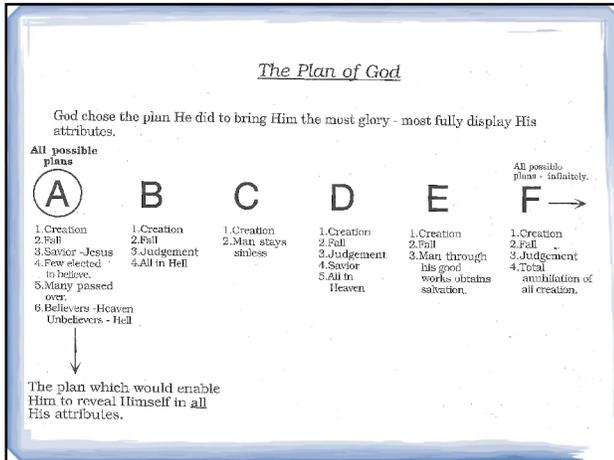
1. God has a passion for His glory.
He loves perfection and it being displayed.
Do you love perfection?
Do you love to see it displayed?
2. Three things we do with perfection:
 1. Display it.
 2. Praise it.
 3. Enjoy it.

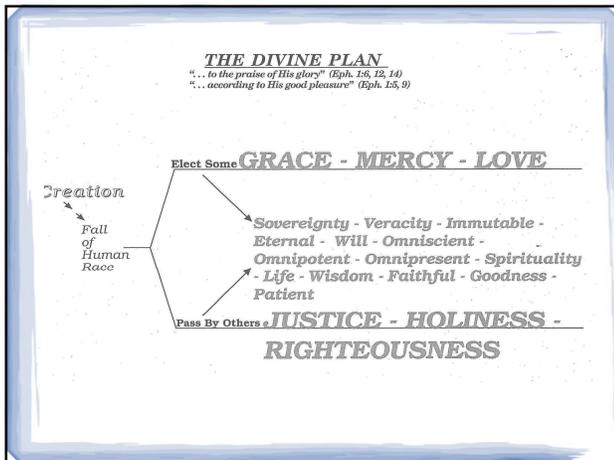
**The Chief end of man is to glorify God and
enjoy Him forever.**

Westminster Confession

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3. We cannot add to God's glory, we can only magnify it. Intrinsically God has glory . like the sun has light, the sky has blue, and water has wet.
4. Compared to God, anything I am is so far inferior to what God is like, that to glorify myself, is to be self-centered, which is a sin - it is undeserved glory. Man knows down deep that self-centeredness is wrong. A self-centered, self-glorifying person is blind and self-deceived.
5. God, seeking to glorify Himself, is deserved glory. He is the highest (Most High) and absolutely most perfect Being in the universe. **His glory is deserving of being magnified.**





The Inability of Spiritually Dead Man

1. Man is DEAD (spiritually) in his sin. **Eph. 2: 1-5:**

1. And you were dead in your trespasses and sins.
2. in which you formerly walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, of the spirit that is now working in the sons of disobedience.
3. Among them we too all formerly lived in the lusts of our flesh, indulging the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, even as the rest.
4. But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us,
5. even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace have you been saved).

Col. 2:13
 When you were dead in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He made you alive together with Him, having forgiven us all our transgressions.

“Man is not sick, he is not ailing; HE IS DEAD!

Merriam-Webster Dictionary
 Main Entry: **1 dead**
 Pronunciation: 'ded
 Function: *adjective*
 Etymology: Middle English *deed*, from Old English *dEad*; akin to Old Norse, to die

1. Without life. 2 Unable to respond. 3. Incapable of being stirred.

2. This is where the whole crux of the issue lies.

WHAT IS MAN CAPABLE OF? IS HE 99% GONE? CAN HE STILL OPEN HIS MOUTH WHEN THE SPOON OF MEDICINE IS PUT TO HIS LIPS? IS HE GASPING? OR AS THE SCRIPTURE SAYS – IS HE DEAD?

HOW YOU ANSWER THIS QUESTION IS CRITICAL TO YOUR UNDERSTANDING OF ELECTION.

3. Every man arrives in this world DOA . Dead On Arrival. HE EXHIBITS THE CHARACTERISTICS OF DEPRAVITY. HE IS NOT 100% DEPRAVED IN ALL AREAS OF HIS LIFE, BUT EVERY AREA, TO SOME DEGREE, IS AFFECTED BY HIS DEPRAVED CONDITION.

4. The resurrection of Lazarus was not a joint effort between Christ and Lazarus.
 LAZARUS CAME FORTH BECAUSE HE WAS RAISED, NOT IN ORDER TO BE RAISED.

5. Man's inability means he is incapable of seeking God on his own.
Rom. 3:11 There is none who seeks for God;
 (%Seeker sensitive+concept is inaccurate for this reason.)

IF MAN IS LEFT ALONE IN THIS STATE, HE WILL GET WHAT HE DESERVES . JUSTICE. HE WILL EXPERIENCE THE WRATH AND CONDEMNATION OF GOD. HE IS HELPLESS TO CHANGE HIS SPIRITUAL CONDITION. **HE CANNOT SAVE HIMSELF.**

The Depravity of Man

“All have sinned...+Rom. 3:23
 %All are dead...+Eph. 2:1
 %No one seeks God...+Rom. 3:11b
 %No one understands the truth of God...+Rom. 3:11a
 %He is darkened in his understanding...+Eph. 4:18
 %He does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him, and he cannot understand them...+ 1 Cor. 2:14
 %No one is righteous...+Rom. 3:10
 %All have turned aside...+Rom.3:12a

The Depravity of Man

%All have become useless...+Rom. 3:12b
 %All are futile in their minds...+Eph. 4:17
 %No one does good...+Rom. 3:12c
 %His throat is an open grave... Rom. 3:13a
 %His heart is hard...+Eph. 4:18c
 %He is deceptive...+Rom. 3:13b
 %He is calloused...+Eph. 4:19a
 %His mouth is full of cursing and bitterness...+Rom. 3:16

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%His feet are swift to shed blood...+Rom. 3:15
 %His path is filled with destruction and misery...+Rom. 3:16
 %He is alienated from the life of God...+Eph. 4:18b
 %He practices every kind of impurity and greediness...+
 Eph. 4:19b
 %He knows nothing of peace...+Rom. 3:17
 %He is void of the Spirit...+Rom.8:9

Man's Ability/Inability to Sin

Pre-Fall Man	Post-Fall Man	Reborn Man	Glorified Man
<i>able to sin</i>	<i>able to sin</i>	<i>able to sin</i>	
<i>able to not sin</i>		<i>able to not sin</i>	<i>able to not sin</i>
	<i>unable to not sin (i.e., had to sin)</i>		
			<i>unable to sin</i>
