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Romans 8:28-30

“Those God foreknew
he also predestined...”

A Predestined Position

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And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose.

29. For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.

30. And those he predestined, he also called; those he called, he also justified; those he justified, he also glorified.

God Predestined You

Seven Distinctive Truths



1. Sovereignty of God
2. Foreknowledge of God
3. Total Depravity of Man
4. Predestination of God
5. Election of God
6. Free Will of Man
7. Perseverance of Saints

Nothing is accidental with God.

The Controversy

Calvinists & Arminians – Romans 7

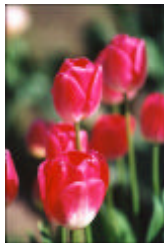


Ground Rules Here

1. You don't have to agree!
2. You don't have to argue!
3. You don't have to understand!
4. Never debate this with unbelievers.

T.U.L.I.P

5 Points of Calvinism



1. T = total depravity of man
2. U = unconditional election
3. L = limited Atonement
4. I = irresistible Grace
5. P = perseverance of saints

What is at stake is the glory of God.
God will not share his glory with another!

I. Definition of the Total Depravity of Man

Romans 3 and Ephesians 2



Total Depravity

Man's will is powerless to respond to God.

Man's mind is darkened, so not to understand.

Man's conscience is deaf, so not to be convicted.

Man's heart is deceitful, so not to be convinced.

Man's affections are depraved, so not to feel.

In my flesh dwells no good thing – Romans 7:18

II. Description (word pictures) of the Total Depravity of Man



1. Dead
2. Vile
3. Wretched
4. Putrid
5. Fecal
6. Stinking
7. Rotting
8. Contaminated
9. Polluted
10. Spoiled
11. Ruined
12. Wrecked*
13. Sick*
14. Malignant

III. Depth (Scriptures) of the Total Depravity of Man



1. Isaiah 1:6
2. Isaiah 6:5
3. Jeremiah 17:9
4. Jude 1:12-13
5. Revelation 3:17

IV. Desperation of the Total Depravity of Man

1. He has no will but to do evil – (John 6:44)
2. He is enemy of God – (Eph 2:12-16, James 4:4)
3. He is enslaved to sin – (John 8:34, I John 3:8)
4. He follows Satan as a slave – (John 8:44)
5. He is dead in his sins – (Ephesians 2:1-3)
6. He is powerless to turn to God – (Romans 5:6)

Come Thou Fount

*O to grace how great a debtor
Daily I'm constrained to be!
Let Thy goodness, like a fetter,
Bind my wandering heart to Thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it,
Prone to leave the God I love;
Here's my heart, O take and seal it,
Seal it for Thy courts above.*