Welcome To Sunday Night Bible Fellowship



"We proclaim Him, warning every man and teaching every man with all wisdom, so that we may present every man mature in Christ."
Col 1:28

“Chosen”

1 Peter 1:1,2

Part 2

Nov. 8, 2026

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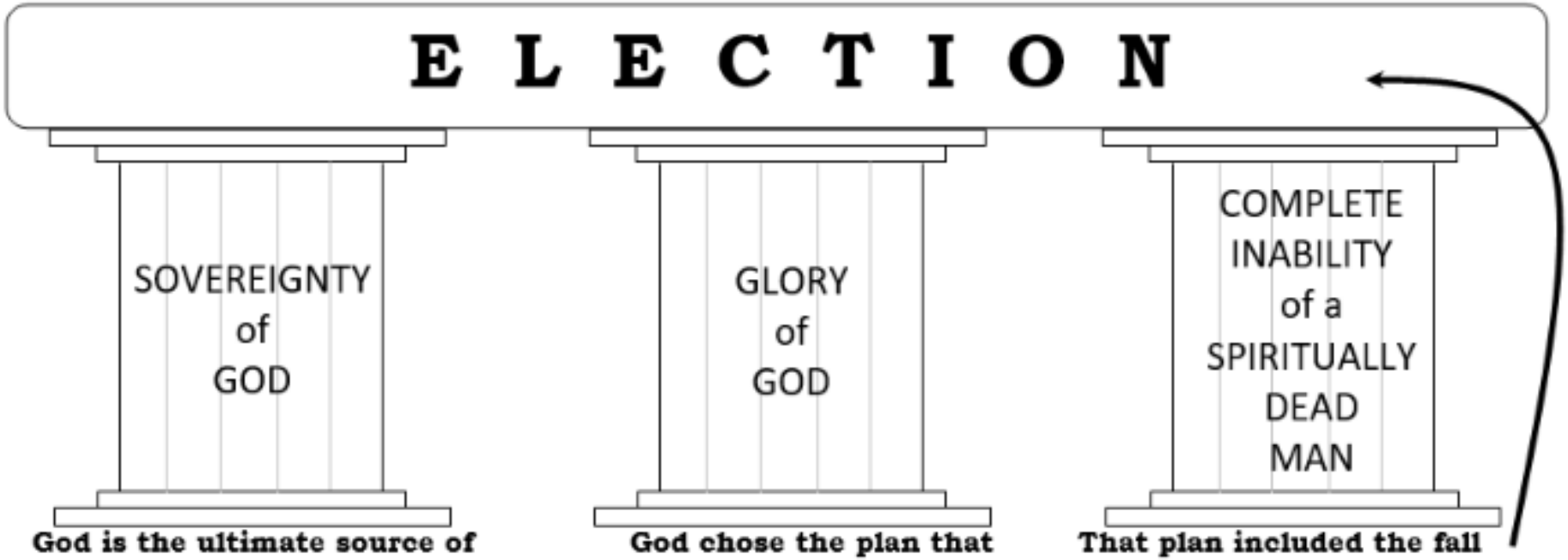
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"chosen" - ἐκλεκτός **eklektos** (ek-lek-tos') **-** to choose, to elect.

- If God did not choose us, we never would have chosen Him.
- Why not? Because we were <u>dead</u> in sin.
- That is the crux of the entire debate. Is man really dead?
- Erwin Lutzer and the grave of Mr. Reed.

The 3 Pillars of Election



God is the ultimate source of everything. God knew all possible plans He could put into existence.

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Rom 11:36
36 For **from Him** and through Him and to Him **are all things**.
1 Tim 6:15
He who is the blessed and only **Sovereign**,
the King of kings and Lord of lords,
Col 1:17
7 He is **before all things**, and in Him **all things** hold together.
1 Chron 29:11
11 "Yours, O LORD, is the greatness and the power and the glory and the victory and the majesty, indeed everything that is in the heavens and the earth; **Yours is the dominion**, O LORD, and You exalt Yourself as head over all.

God chose the plan that would most fully display ALL of His attributes (glorify Him the most).

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Eph 1:5-6
5 He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will,
6 to the **praise of the glory of His grace**,
Eph 1:12
2 to the end that we who were the first to hope in Christ would be to the **praise of His glory**.
1 Cor 10:31
31 Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, **do all to the glory of God**.
Rom 9:23
23 And He did **so to make known the riches of His glory** upon vessels of mercy, which He prepared beforehand for glory,

That plan included the fall of man and man's spiritual "deadness". Man is incapable on his own of choosing God.

Eph 2:1
And **you were dead** in your trespasses and sins,
Rom 3:11
THERE IS **NONE WHO SEEKS FOR GOD**;
Col 2:13
13 When **you were dead** in your transgressions and the uncircumcision of your flesh,
John 6:65
65 And He was saying, "For this reason I have said to you, that **no one can come to Me** unless it has been granted him from the Father."
1 Cor 2:14
14 But a natural man **does not accept the things of the Spirit of God**, for they are foolishness to him; and **he cannot understand them**, because they are spiritually appraised.

- Put it on the back burner.
- Don’t fall into the trap of labels.

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HOW WERE THEY CHOSEN?

- **Note:** The entire Trinity is involved in our salvation. The Father foreknowing, the Son atoning, the Spirit sanctifying.

    1. **"according to the foreknowledge of God the Father"**

Acts 2:23

23 this Man, delivered over by the predetermined plan

and foreknowledge of God,

This is a Greek construction governed by the **Granville-Sharp** rule. This grammatical rule simply states that when two nouns are joined by the word "and" and the first noun has the article (article = "the") in front of it and the second does not, <u>both nouns refer to the same thing.</u>

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- Some people want to define "foreknowledge" as that knowledge gained by God as He looked down the corridors of time and saw who would become believers and then elected them.
- However, that is not the view of Scripture.
- Scripture view: Foreknowledge = predetermined plan.
- Example of weather forecast.

Rom 8:29-30

29 For those whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the firstborn among many brethren;

30 and these whom He predestined, He also called; and these whom He called, He also justified; and these whom He justified, He also glorified.

Eph 1:4

4 just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him.

Acts 13:48

48 . . . and as many as had been appointed to eternal life believed.

Rev 13:8

8 All who dwell on the earth will worship him, everyone whose name has not been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who has been slain.

Rev 17:8

8 "The beast that you saw was, and is not, and is about to come up out of the abyss and go to destruction. And those who dwell on the earth, whose name has not been written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, will wonder when they see the beast, that he was and is not and will come.

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2. "by the sanctifying work of the Spirit"

"sanctifying" - ἁγιασμός **hagiasmos** (hag-ee-as-mos') - to set apart for the purpose of making holy.

- The Holy Spirit sets us apart for God.

Sanctification

2 Phases:

1. When you become a believer at salvation.
   - Happened at a point in time.
   - Our eternal position.
2. When you grow as a believer into Christ-likeness.
   - A process.
   - Progressive.

Sanctification, then, began at salvation and is a process of purification that is on going until we reach heaven.

How does the Holy Spirit accomplish this?

- 12 ministries of the Holy Spirit . . .

The 12 Ministries of the Holy Spirit

1. *Convicts (Jn. 16:8)*
2. *Regenerates (Jn. 3:5-8)*
3. *Baptizes (I Cor. 12:13)*
4. *Seals (Eph. 1:13; 4:30)*
5. *Illuminates/Teaches (Jn. 14:26;1 Cor. 2:13)*
6. *Gives spiritual gifts (I Cor. 12:4-11)*
7. *Assures (Rom. 8:16,17)*
8. *Prays (Rom. 8:26,27)*
9. *Produces fruit (Gal. 5:22,23)*
10. *Controls (Eph. 5:18)*
11. *Leads (Rom. 8:14)*
12. *Empowers (Acts. 1:8)*

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WHY?

1. **“to obey Jesus Christ”**
   - You were chosen to obey.
   - The slave has a new Master.

“obey”- ὑπακοή **hupakoe** (hoop-ak-o-ay') - to listen under. To receive instruction submissively.

Rom 1:5

5 through whom we have received grace and apostleship to bring about the obedience of faith among all the Gentiles for His name's sake,

Rom 6:16

16 Do you not know that when you present yourselves to someone as slaves for obedience, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin resulting in death, or of obedience resulting in righteousness?

Rom 15:18

18 For I will not presume to speak of anything except what Christ has accomplished through me, resulting in the obedience of the Gentiles by word and deed,

Rom 16:19

9 For the report of your obedience has reached to all; therefore I am rejoicing over you, but I want you to be wise in what is good and innocent in what is evil.

2 Cor 7:15

15 His affection abounds all the more toward you, as he remembers the obedience of you all,

Philem 21

21 Having confidence in your obedience, I write to you, since I know that you will do even more than what I say.

1 Peter 1:14

14 As obedient children, do not be conformed to the former lusts which were yours in your ignorance,

1 Peter 1:22

22 Since you have in obedience to the truth purified your souls for a sincere love of the brethren, fervently love one another from the heart,

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WHY?

2. "to be sprinkled with His blood"

Eph 1:7

7 In Him we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of our trespasses, according to the riches of His grace

Col 1:20

20 and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him,

1 Peter 1:18,19

18 knowing that you were not redeemed with perishable things like silver or gold from your futile way of life inherited from your forefathers,

19 but with precious blood, as of a lamb unblemished and spotless, the blood of Christ.

Heb 12:24

24 and to Jesus, the mediator of a new covenant, and to the sprinkled blood, which speaks better than the blood of Abel.

1 John 1:7

7 but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

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Ex 24:3-8

3 Then Moses came and recounted to the people all the words of the Lord and all the ordinances; and all the people answered with one voice and said, "All the words which the Lord has spoken we will do!"

4 Moses wrote down all the words of the Lord. Then he arose early in the morning, and built an altar at the foot of the mountain with twelve pillars for the twelve tribes of Israel.

5 He sent young men of the sons of Israel, and they offered burnt offerings and sacrificed young bulls as peace offerings to the Lord.

6 Moses took half of the blood and put it in basins, and the other half of the blood he sprinkled on the altar.

7 Then he took the book of the covenant and read it in the hearing of the people; and they said, "All that the Lord has spoken we will do, and we will be obedient!"

8 So Moses took the blood and sprinkled it on the people, and said, "Behold the blood of the covenant, which the Lord has made with you in accordance with all these words."

- Those who are chosen are continuously covered by the blood of Christ.
- They are forgiven of their sins past, present, and future.
- The live a life of obedience.

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Grace – Gentile greeting.

Peace – Jewish greeting.

- It is by grace that you are brought into a relationship with God, and as a result, you experience His peace.
- Peter's wish is for his Gentile and Jewish readers to have grace and peace in abundance.

“Grace is EVERYTHING
for NOTHING
to those who don't deserve
ANYTHING.”

Application

1. Being chosen should produce humility and not pride.

2. Don't ignore the Holy Spirit that lives within you. He is there to change you. Let Him do His work.

3. Being chosen, comes with great privileges and responsibilities.