

Welcome To Open Bible Hour

Thank you for joining us on this Lord's Day!

Our desire is that you may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ as we pursue an in-depth study of the gospel of Matthew.

Please move to the center of the rows so that those who come after you can find seating at the end of the rows.

If you have a prayer request, for which you would like us to pray, please fill out a prayer sheet at the back table and give to Lyle.

“The corruption of man's being is so great and entire that he will never truly repent unless and until he is supernaturally renewed by the Holy Spirit.” I.C. Herendeen

THE ELECT AND THE GREAT TRIBULATION

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Dan. 11:40-44

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Rev. 16-19

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Worldwide evangelism
Matt. 24:14
Rev. 14:6,7

Millennium

Earthquakes
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Two Witnesses Begin Their Ministry Rev. 11:3-6

Evangelistic Angel
Rev. 14:6,7

Wars & Rumors of Wars (Matt. 24:6,7)

Seal Judgments - Rev. 6

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One World Religion Rev. 17

144,000 Jews are Saved & Sealed
Rev. 7:4-8

Trumpet

Judgments Increase in Severity - Rev. 8,9,11

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Rev. 13:11-15.

Bowl Judgments -

Rev. 16

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1 Thess 5:9

9 For God has not destined us for wrath, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,

Rev 3:10

10 'Because you have kept the word of My perseverance, I also will keep you from the hour of testing, that hour which is about to come upon the whole world, to test those who dwell on the earth.

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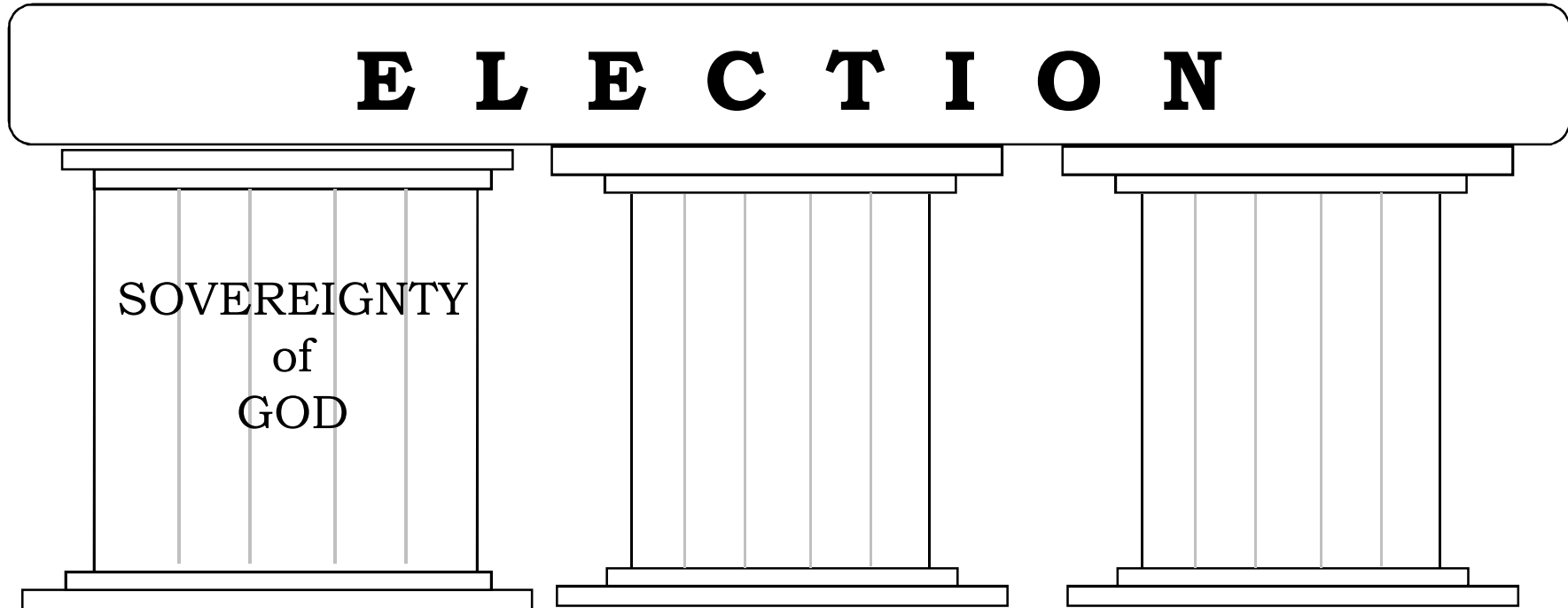
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Matt 24:22-31

- 22 "Unless those days had been cut short, no life would have been saved; but for the sake of the elect those days will be cut short.
- 23 "Then if anyone says to you, 'Behold, here is the Christ,' or 'There He is,' do not believe him.
- 24 "For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even the elect.
- 25 "Behold, I have told you in advance.
- 26 "So if they say to you, 'Behold, He is in the wilderness,' do not go out, or, 'Behold, He is in the inner rooms,' do not believe them.
- 27 "For just as the lightning comes from the east and flashes even to the west, so will the coming of the Son of Man be.
- 28 "Wherever the corpse is, there the vultures will gather.
- 29 "But immediately after the tribulation of those days THE SUN WILL BE DARKENED, AND THE MOON WILL NOT GIVE ITS LIGHT, AND THE STARS WILL FALL from the sky, and the powers of the heavens will be shaken.
- 30 "And then the sign of the Son of Man will appear in the sky, and then all the tribes of the earth will mourn, and they will see the SON OF MAN COMING ON THE CLOUDS OF THE SKY with power and great glory.
- 31 "And He will send forth His angels with A GREAT TRUMPET and THEY WILL GATHER TOGETHER His elect from the four winds, from one end of the sky to the other.

THE 3 PILLARS OF ELECTION



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

A B C D E . . . Infinity

Sovereignty of God

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,

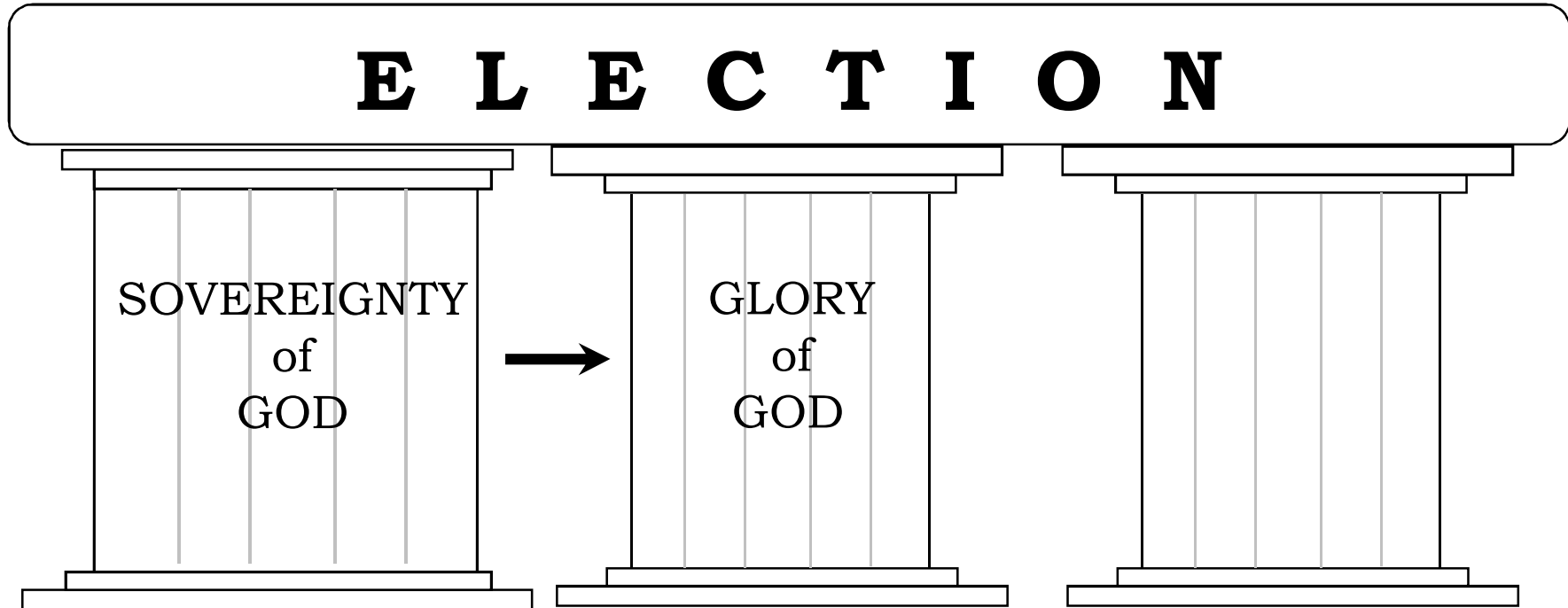
Col 1:17

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.

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

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Glory of God

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.**

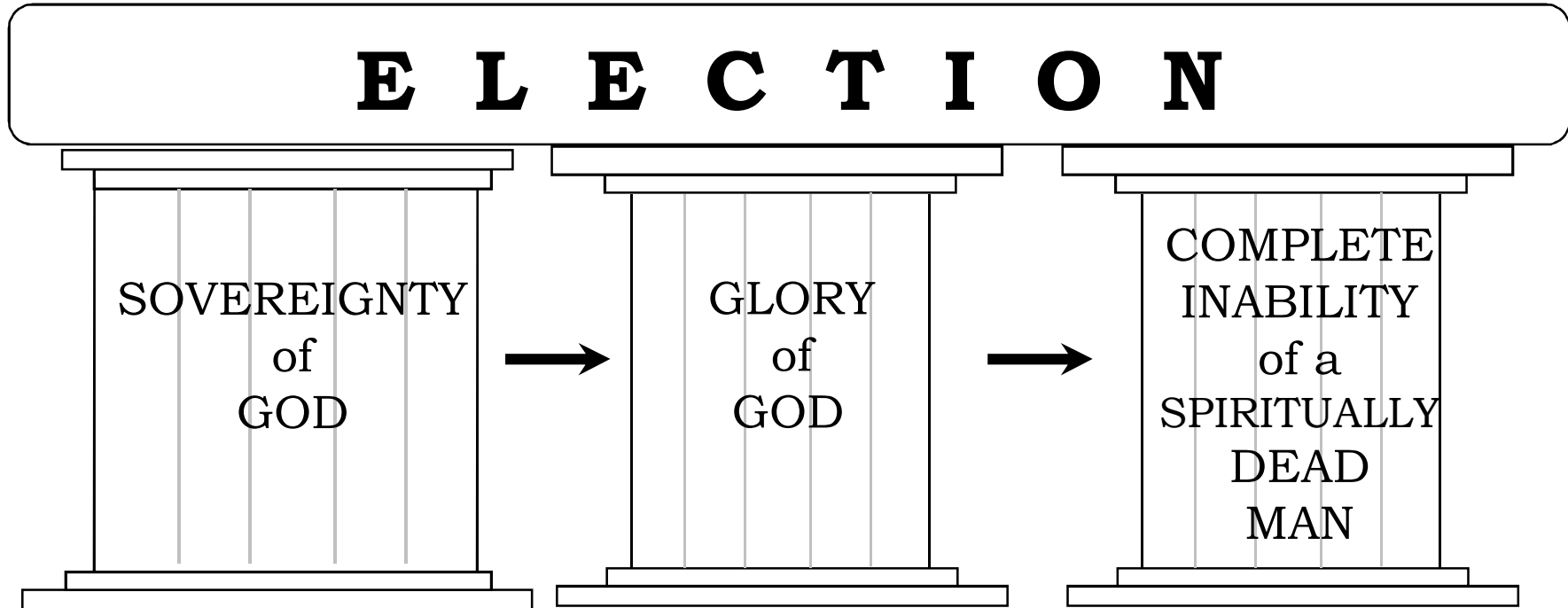
1 Cor 10:31

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,

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

Complete Inability of Spiritually Dead Man

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,

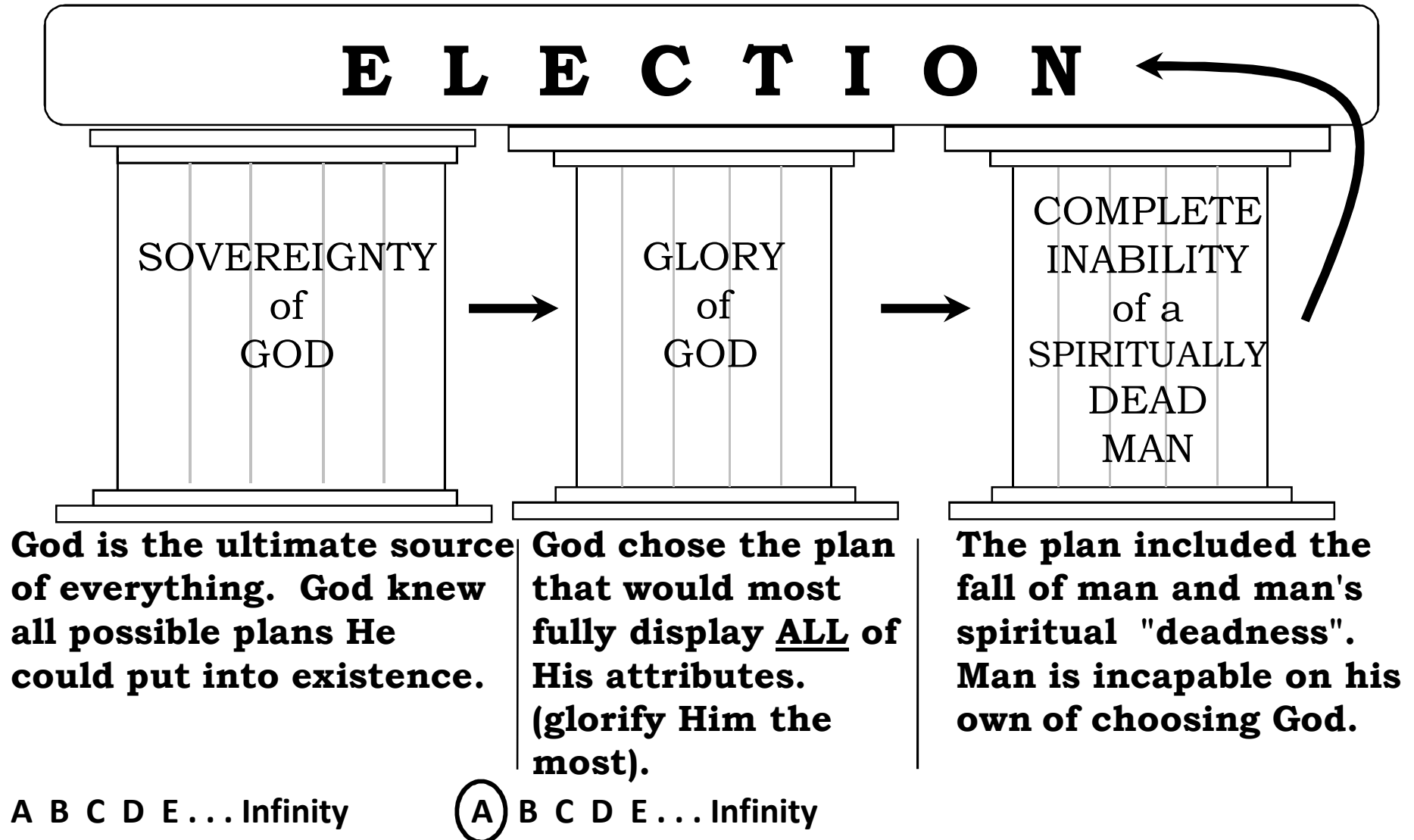
John 6:65

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.

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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.

Scriptures on Election

Matt 22:14

4 "For many are called, but few are chosen."

Matt 7:13-14

13 "Enter through the narrow gate; for the gate is wide and the way is broad that leads to destruction, and there are many who enter through it.

14 "For the gate is small and the way is narrow that leads to life, and there are few who find it.

John 1:12-13

12 But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, even to those who believe in His name,

13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

John 3:8

8 "The wind blows where it wishes and you hear the sound of it, but do not know where it comes from and where it is going; so is everyone who is born of the Spirit."

John 6:37

37 "All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will certainly not cast out.

John 6:44

44 "No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up on the last day.

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John 15:16

16 "You did not choose Me but I chose you,

Acts 13:48

48 When the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord; and as many as had been appointed to eternal life believed.

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.

Eph 1:11-12

11 also we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to His purpose who works all things after the counsel of His will,

12 to the end that we who were the first to hope in Christ would be to the praise of His glory.

Eph 2:4-5

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 you have been saved),

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Rom 9:14-16

14 What shall we say then? There is no injustice with God, is there?
May it never be!

15 For He says to Moses, "I WILL HAVE MERCY ON WHOM I HAVE
MERCY, AND I WILL HAVE COMPASSION ON WHOM I HAVE
COMPASSION."

16 So then it does not depend on the man who wills or the man who
runs, but on God who has mercy.

Col 3:12

12 So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put
on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and
patience;

1 Thess 1:4

4 knowing, brethren beloved by God, His choice of you;

2 Thess 2:13

13 But we should always give thanks to God for you, brethren beloved
by the Lord, because God has chosen you from the beginning for
salvation through sanctification by the Spirit and faith in the truth.

2 Tim 1:9

9 who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus from all eternity,

James 1:18

18 In the exercise of His will He brought us forth by the word of truth, so that we would be a kind of first fruits among His creatures.

1 Peter 1:3

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His great mercy has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

2 Peter 1:10

10 Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you

Application:

1. Delayed wrath and judgment should not be seen as weakness or lack of power on God's part.
2. God always takes care of His own.
3. The safe arrival of all chosen in eternity past is guaranteed by the God who chose them.

