

THE KING IN THE GALLERIES Pt.40

GENESIS 18:18

18 Seeing that Abraham shall surely become a great and mighty nation, and all the nations of the earth shall be blessed in him?

GENESIS 18:19

19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

JEREMIAH 1:5

5 Before I formed thee in the belly I knew thee; and before thou camest forth out of the womb I sanctified thee, and I ordained thee a prophet unto the nations.

ROMANS 8:29

29 For whom he did *FOREKNOW, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

FOREKNOW: proginosko {prog-in-occe'-ko}

Foreordain, know before, to have knowledge before hand, those whom God foreknew so that they would love him

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291 May we be found in Him, Lord, the only provided place. And He is the sacrifice. We bring Him, what we've heard about, Jesus Christ,

into the house of God by the baptism of the Holy Ghost, through the Name of Jesus Christ. And there our sacrifice is accepted and we're brought into the family; because, yet straying out in the world,

we were ordained sons and daughters of God before the foundation of the world. Thank You for that, Father. Oh, how could anyone ever turn back on something like that,

when they found the Truth, that God had selected them out of the world? There were millions lost, the day that I was saved.

Charles Spurgeon (that great preacher and theologian from the 1800's) has said:

Whatever may be said about the doctrine of election, it is written in the Word of God as with an iron pen, and there is no getting rid of it.

To me, it is one of the sweetest and most blessed truths in the whole of revelation, and those who are afraid of it are so because they do not understand it. If they could but know that God had chosen them, it would make their hearts dance for joy.

He predestined us so that we would be conformed to the likeness of his Son. (29) He is the firstborn and we are his brothers. (John 12:23-24) Those he called, he justified.

ARTHUR PINK SAID

When the solemn and blessed subject of Divine foreordination is expounded, when God's eternal choice of certain ones to be conformed to the image of His Son is set forth,

the Enemy sends along some man to argue that election is based upon the foreknowledge of God, and this "foreknowledge" is interpreted to mean that God foresaw certain ones would be more pliable than others,

that they would respond more readily to the strivings of the Spirit, and that because God knew they would believe, He, accordingly, predestinated them unto salvation.

But such a statement is radically wrong. It repudiates the truth of total depravity, for it argues that there is something good in some men. It takes away the independency of God, for it makes His decrees rest upon what He discovers in the creature.

It completely turns things upside down, for in saying God foresaw certain sinners would believe in Christ, and that because of this, He predestinated them unto salvation, is the very reverse of the truth.

Scripture affirms that God, in His high sovereignty, singled out certain ones to be recipients of His distinguishing favors (Acts 13:48), and therefore He determined to bestow upon them the gift of faith.

False theology makes God's foreknowledge of our believing the cause of His election to salvation; whereas, God's election is the cause, and our believing in Christ is the effect.

LOOK AT THE MEANING OF THE WORD

The Greek word for foreknowledge is *proginosko* [prog-in-oc'e'-ko]. The medical word *prognosis* is connected to this word.

Prognosis is a prediction concerning the future course of disease, based on diagnosis. This word does not appear in the Old Testament but appears seven times in the New Testament, and it relates to God's foreknowledge.

The Biblical definition of God's foreknowledge is different. It does not mean God's prior knowledge of what we have chosen. Rather, it means a specific and intentional action of God loving certain people and setting His affection on them.

AMOS 3:2

2 You only have I known of all the families of the earth: therefore I will punish you for all your iniquities.

MATTHEW 7:23

23 And then will I profess unto them, I never *KNEW you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

KNEW: ginosko {ghin-oc'e'-ko}
to learn to know, get a knowledge of perceive,
Jewish idiom for sexual intercourse between a man and a woman

Acts 2:23. "Him being delivered by the determinate counsel and foreknowledge of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain. "

Romans 8:29-30. "For whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate to be conformed to the image, of His Son, that He might be the Firstborn among many brethren.

"God hath not cast away His people which He foreknew" (Rom. 11:2).

1 Peter 1:2: "Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father. " Who are elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father?

GENESIS 18:19

19 For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the LORD, to do justice and judgment; that the LORD may bring upon Abraham that which he hath spoken of him.

EXODUS 2:25

25 And God looked upon the children of Israel, and God had *RESPECT unto them.

RESPECT: yada' {yaw-dah'}
to know, to know by experience, be acquainted with, to be made known,

EXODUS 33:12

12 And Moses said unto the LORD, See, thou sayest unto me, Bring up this people: and thou hast not let me know whom thou wilt send with me. Yet thou hast said, I know thee by name, and thou hast also found grace in my sight.

JEREMIAH 1:5

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ISAIAH 44:28

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ISAIAH 45:1

1 Thus saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut;

HOSEA 13:4

4 Yet I am the LORD thy God from the land of Egypt, and thou shalt know no god but me: for there is no saviour beside me.

HOSEA 13:5

5 I did know thee in the wilderness, in the land of great drought.

JOHN 10:11

11 I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep.

JOHN 10:14

14 I am the good shepherd, and *KNOW my sheep, and am known of mine.

KNOW: ginosko {ghin-ocē'-ko}

get a knowledge of perceive, have knowledge of, Jewish idiom for sexual intercourse between a man and a woman, to become acquainted with, to know.

JOHN 10:15

15 As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.

JOHN 10:16

16 And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

I CORINTHIANS 8:3

3 But if any man love God, the same is known of him.

II TIMOTHY 2:19

19 Nevertheless the foundation of God standeth sure, having this seal, The Lord knoweth them that are his. And, Let every one that nameth the name of Christ depart from iniquity.

It is therefore a reversing of the order of Scripture, a putting of the cart before the horse, to affirm that God elects because He foreknows people.

The truth is, He "foreknows" because He has elected. This removes the ground or cause of election from outside the creature, and places it in God's own sovereign will.

II TIMOTHY 2:20

20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour.

Acts 2:23

"Him, being delivered by the determinate counsel and *FOREKNOWLEDGE of God, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain" (Paul is not speaking of God's foreknowledge of the action of crucifixion,

but the person crucified: "HIM (Christ) being delivered..."

FOREKNOWLEDGE: prognosis {prog'-no-sis}
forethought, pre-arrangement

Romans 8:29

"For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. " (Whom he foreknew referring to persons and not referring to their actions on what they did)

Romans 11:2

"God hath not cast away his people which he foreknew. Wot ye not what the scripture saith of Elias? How he maketh intercession to God against Israel, saying,"(foreknew are the people and not referring to their actions on what they did)

I PETER 1:1

1 Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to the strangers scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia,

I PETER 1:2

2 Elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

I PETER 1:3

3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead,

II THESSALONIANS 2:13

13 But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:

I PETER 2:9

9 But ye are a *CHOSEN generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

CHOSEN: eklektos {ek-lek-tos'}

picked out, chosen by God, to obtain salvation through Christ; choice, select, the best of its kind or class, excellence preeminent:

REVELATION 17:14

14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

Acts 13:48 says, "As many as were ordained to eternal life believed. "

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124 Now, here, predestinated plan is in plain view. Just as other seed, the Word of God is a Seed and must have the ground prepared beforehand.

If you sowed seed, just throwed it out there on the ground, it would do no good, the birds would pick it up. You throw it among thistles and thorns, it'll choke it out pretty soon.

Jesus' parable said so. So the ground has to be made ready first. So, God, in sovereign grace, prepares the heart first. He prepared you before the foundation of the world, to receive Him in this age.

He foreknew you by his foreknowledge, and ordained you to Eternal Life. He knew you, therefore He prepared you.

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.....the wedding ceremony of the East. When the bride has been committed to the groom she takes off her veil and places it over the groom's shoulders,

signifying that not only is she under his dominion--that she has transferred her rights to him--that he is the head--but also that he bears the responsibility and the care and that HE AND HE ALONE--NO ONE ELSE--NO OTHER MAN--NO OTHER POWER--HAS ANY RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY.

And that, beloved, is the KEY of David. God being Sovereign, He foreknew by Divine decree exactly who would be in His bride. He chose her.

She did not choose Him. He called her. She did not come on her own. He died for her. He washed her in His own blood.

He paid the price for her. She belongs to Him and to Him alone. She is wholly committed to Him and He accepts the obligation. He is her head, for Christ is the head of His church.

As Sarah called Abraham, Lord, even so the bride is happy that He is her Lord. He speaks and she obeys for that is her delight.

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42 Now if you've got Eternal Life tonight, if we have Eternal Life, then we always were, because there is only one form of Eternal Life. We always were.

And the reason we were, because we are a part of God. And God is the only thing that's Eternal.

43 And like as Melchisedec received tithes from Abraham, and it was lotted to his great-grandson, Levi, who was yet in the loins of Abraham; paid tithes, for he was yet in the loins of Abraham when he met Melchisedec.

I want to speak on that over at the other place, one morning. Who Is This Melchisedec? Now notice that. Way back, God knew this boy coming down. He knowed all things.

44 Now we are a part of God. You always was. You don't remember it, because you were only an attribute in God. You were only in His thinking.

Your very name, if it ever was on the Book of Life, it was put there before the foundation of the world. He knew what you were.

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45 I'm only saying this, not to mix up doctrine, but to straightened it out, that we might get away from this fear and scare. You don't know who you are.

You are not going to be, but now you are the sons of God. See, you always were the sons of God. See?

46 For when God had you in His thinking at the beginning, you have to be, some part of you, your Life that's in you now, had to be with God before there.

Well, when He, before He even become material here on earth, before there was anything, but God, you were one of His attributes. He knowed what your name would be. He knowed the color of hair you would have. He knowed all about you.....

47 Many of you can--can fellowship with me on this thought. When you was a little boy, or a little girl, you would walk around and there would be certain things that would just,

where it wouldn't bother the other kids, it seemed like there was something in you that cried out. There was God somewhere, yet you were a sinner.

You remember that? [Congregation says, "Amen. "--Ed.] Certainly. Now what was that? That was that little form of Life in you then.

48 And then after a while, you heard the Gospel. Maybe you went to church, you picked out this and that, and went from denomination to denomination. But one day, you being part of God, you had to be part of the Word.

And when you heard the Word, you know where you come from, you knowed what was the Truth.

You were always, the seed was in you always. The Word seen the Word that was in you, that was before the foundation of the world, saw the Word and you come to It.