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ROMANS 9:10

10 And not only this; but when Rebecca also had conceived by one, even by our father Isaac;

ROMANS 9:11

11 (For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to *ELECTION might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;)

ELECTION: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 1589 ekloge {ek-log-ay'}

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the decree made from choice by which He determined to bless certain persons through Christ by grace

ROMANS 9:12

12 It was said unto her, The elder shall serve the younger.

ROMANS 9:13

13 As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated.

ISAIAH 45:4

4 For Jacob my servant's sake, and Israel mine elect, I have even called thee by thy name: I have surnamed thee, though thou hast not known me.

ISAIAH 65:9

9 And I will bring forth a seed out of Jacob, and out of Judah an inheritor of my mountains: and mine elect shall inherit it, and my servants shall dwell there.

ISAIAH 65:22

They shall not build, and another inhabit; they shall not plant, and another eat: for as the days of a tree are the days of my people, and mine elect shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

ISRAEL. AND. THE. CHURCH. 1_ JEFF. IN IC 1-34 WEDNESDAY_ 53-0325 69 He elected Abraham. And that was the very beginning of our salvation that was given to man when He called him, and elected him, and predestinated him, and give him a promise,

and made a covenant with Abraham and his seed forever. Now, we could go ahead here and read a full chapter in that, but we haven't the time.

Now, God called. Watch, when He called Abraham here, He called him by election. Not because he was; because God was.

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E-29 The father Abraham was the first one, that I know of, this side of the flood that was called by grace, by election. God chose Abraham,

not because he was Abraham, not because he was any good person. God chose him because he was elected. God did it.

JEHOVAH. JIREH PHOENIX. AZ TUESDAY 55-0222

E-27 Now, Abraham, God called him by election. He wasn't any better than anybody else. He came down, out of--from Babylon, out of the. . . Perhaps, maybe, his father and them might have been an idol worshiper, for all I know.

But he came down into the. . . a land of Shinar, in the city of Ur, and there they sojourned in there, and God, by sovereign grace, called Abraham. Not Abraham calling God, God called Abraham and give him the covenant. Now, to my Arminian brethren,

this may shock just a little bit, but He give it to him unconditionally (That's right.), not "If you'll do this, if you'll do that. . . " There's no "ifs" attached to it. "I have done it. " Amen.

In the garden of Eden God made a covenant with Adam;

Adam broke it. Every time God makes a covenant--or man makes a covenant with God, he breaks it. But this time God's determined that He wasn't going to let His children be lost. He made the covenant wholly unconditional, told Abraham,

"I saved you, and now you're coming to Me in an old age, not only you, but your seed after you have I saved."

THE. CALLING. OF. ABRAHAM_ SAN. FERNANDO. CA WEDNESDAY_ 55-1116 E-17 God, by sovereign election chose Abraham. How many Christians is here tonight? Let's see your hand? Well, I believe it's about a hundred percent. That's fine.

A hundred percent Christians, then I want to tell you something. It isn't very easy to say before sinners. Do you know why you're a Christian? Because God called you.

You never did seek God at any time. No, sir. It's God seeking you. No man, at any time, has ever sought God. God sought man.

HEBREWS. CHAPTER. SIX. 2_ JEFF. IN HEB SUNDAY_ 57-0908E 394 And God, by election, chose Abraham because God elected him; not because Abraham wanted it, because Abraham did this, because he was a good man, 'cause he had any merit at all. But it was God's choice. God took Abraham.

ABRAHAM. AND. HIS. SEED. AFTER. HIM_ BLOOMINGTON. IL SUNDAY_ 61-0416 E-26 But, you see, Abraham not being nothing himself, he was-he was called by election. Then if Abraham was called by election then his seed after him has to be called by election. That's right.

ABRAHAM. AND. HIS. SEED. AFTER. HIM_ BLOOMINGTON. IL SUNDAY_ 61-0416 E-30 Now, now, watch. Abraham was called by election, nothing Abraham did. And now notice, the covenant and Genesis 12 (See?), the whole covenant was given to Abraham;

the whole covenant is completely grace (See?), not "Abraham, if you'll do a certain thing, I'll do a certain thing. " It wasn't, "If--if you'll do this, I'll do this. "

ABRAHAM. AND. HIS. SEED. AFTER. HIM_ BLOOMINGTON. IL SUNDAY_ 61-0416 E-36 So now, it's by grace that God called you, not what you did, what you could do, what you will do. If you're the seed of Abraham, God spoke to you by His amazing grace,

just like He did Abraham in the 12th chapter of Genesis. And as Abraham was called by grace, by election, so was his seed called by grace and election. See? They heard the voice of God and believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness.

ABRAHAM. AND. HIS. SEED. AFTER. HIM_ CHICAGO. IL SUNDAY_ 61-0423 E-16 Now, the first thing I want you to know, that when God, in Genesis 12, called Abraham, it was by election. It wasn't because Abraham was good. It wasn't because Abraham deserved it.

It was because that God chose Abraham, not Abraham choosing God; It was God choosing Abraham. And that's the way He calls His seed too. Not what you want to be, not him that willeth, or him that runneth, but God that showeth mercy. Is that Scripture? Certainly. It's not what you want be; it's what God has chose you to be.

ABRAHAM. AND. HIS. SEED. AFTER. HIM_ CHICAGO. IL SUNDAY_ 61-0423 E-17 Now, we find out that when God called Abraham, it was by election. I've heard people many times say, "I sought God. I sought God. " No, I different with you. You never did seek God. God sought you first. You never seek after God. It's God seeking after you. It's you that will not surrender to God.

ROMANS 11:2

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,

ROMANS 11:3

3 Lord, they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life.

ROMANS 11:4

4 But what saith the *ANSWER of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to the image of Baal.

ANSWER: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 5538 chrematismos {khray-mat-is-mos'} a divine response, an oracle.

ROMANS 11:5

5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

MATTHEW 24:24

24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very *ELECT.

ELECT: eklektos {ek-lek-tos'}

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

MATTHEW 24:31

31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

LUKE 18:7

7 And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?

ROMANS 8:33

33 Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth.

COLOSSIANS 3:12

Put on therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

I TIMOTHY 5:21

I charge thee before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, and the elect angels, that thou observe these things without preferring one before another, doing nothing by partiality.

TITUS 1:1

Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of God's elect, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness;

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.

II JOHN 1:1

The elder unto the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth; and not I only, but also all they that have known the truth;

I PETER 5:13

13 The church that is at Babylon, *ELECTED together with you, saluteth you; and so doth Marcus my son.

ELECTED: GREEK LEXICON -- STRONG'S NUMBER 4899 suneklektos {soon-ek-lek-tos'} elected or chosen (by God to eternal life) together with

ROMANS 11:5

5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace.

ROMANS 11:6

6 And if by grace, then is it no more of works: otherwise grace is no more grace. But if it be of works, then is it no more grace: otherwise work is no more work.

ROMANS 11:7

7 What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; but the election hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded

ROMANS 11:26

And so all Israel shall be saved: as it is written, There shall come out of Sion the Deliverer, and shall turn away ungodliness from Jacob:

ROMANS 11:27

27 For this is my covenant unto them, when I shall take away their sins.

ROMANS 11:28

As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the *ELECTION, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes.

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149-1 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4
Jesus Christ is choosing His own bride just the same as men choose their brides today. The bride today does not simply decide she is going to take a certain man for a husband. No sir.

It is the groom who decides and chooses a certain woman for his bride. (John 15:16, "Ye have not chosen Me; but I have chosen you. ") Now according to the Word of God, the bride was chosen before the foundation of the world.

This choosing of the bride was purposed in Himself. Ephesians 1:9.

And in Romans 9:11 it says

"That the purpose of God according to election might stand." You can't read it any other way. The heart purpose, the eternal purpose of God was to take a bride of His OWN choosing, and that purpose was in Himself,

and being eternal was decreed before the foundation of the world.

150-2 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4
Down through the centuries we could go. We find a Moses, a
Jeremiah, a John the Baptist, and each one of these were God's
eternal thought expressed in its season.

Then we come to Jesus the LOGOS. He was the perfect and complete THOUGHT expressed and He became known as the Word. That is what He IS, and forever WILL BE.

Now it says that "He hath chosen us IN HIM (Jesus) before the foundation of the world. " That means that we were right there WITH Him in the mind and thoughts of God before the foundation of the world. That gives an ETERNAL quality to the elect. You can't get away from that.

QUALITY: peculiar and essential character, an inherent degree of excellence: superiority in kind,

151-1 SMYRNAEAN, CHURCH, AGE - CHURCH, AGE, BOOK CPT, 4

These who are of the Royal Seed are the elect of God; are the predestinated, fore-known of God, and were in the mind of God and His thoughts.

In very plain language the True Bride of Christ was in the mind of God eternally, though not expressed until each came forth in the designated, decreed season. As each member came forth it became EXPRESSED and took its place in the body.

Thus this bride is the literal SPOKEN WORD SEED BRIDE. And though she is feminine in designation she is also called the "body of Christ". It is very apparent that she ought to be called that for she was predestinated in Him,

came from the same source, was eternal with Him, and is now manifesting God in a many membered body whereas once God was manifested in ONE MEMBER, even our Lord Jesus Christ.

Now then, here we are coming to a conclusion. As the eternal Logos (God) was manifest in the Son, and in Jesus dwelt all the fullness of the Godhead bodily,

and that Eternal One was the Father manifest in flesh, and thereby gained the title of Son, even so we, eternal in His thoughts in our turn became the many membered Spoken Word Seed, manifest in flesh,

and those eternal thoughts now manifest in flesh are the sons of God, even as we are so called. WE DID NOT BECOME SEED BY THE REBIRTH,

WE WERE SEED AND THEREFORE WERE REBORN FOR ONLY THE ELECT CAN BE REBORN. Because we WERE SEED is the reason we could be quickened. In NON-SEED there is nothing to quicken.

Hold this carefully in mind. Now take the next step. Redeem means to buy back. It restores to the original owner. God, by His death, the shed blood BOUGHT BACK HIS OWN.

He bought back the Spoken Word Seed Bride. "My sheep hear My voice (Word) and they follow Me. " You always were a sheep. You never were a pig or a dog turned into a sheep.

That is impossible for every kind of life produces the same kind and there is no change in specie. As we were in the thoughts of God and then expressed in flesh, there had to come a day when we would hear His voice (the Word),

and hearing that voice become aware of our Father calling us, and recognize that we are the sons of God. We heard His voice and we cried out as did the prodigal son, "Save me, Oh, my Father. I am returning to Thee."

154-3 SMYRNAEAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 4
Before I close this subject, I know there is a question in your minds. You will want to know if I believe in the doctrine of preexistence.

I don't believe in that Mormon doctrine of the preexistence of souls any more than I believe in reincarnation or the transmigration of souls. Be careful here and see this. It is not the person that comes predestinated eternally from God,

IT IS THE WORD, OR SEED. That is it. Way back there, too far back for the human mind to grasp, the Eternal God with eternal thoughts, thought and decreed, "JACOB HAVE I LOVED, BUT ESAU HAVE I HATED, (Romans 9:13)

AND NEITHER WAS BORN, AND NEITHER HAD DONE GOOD OR EVIL. "

See, it was the THOUGHT, and then that thought became expressed, and God bought back Jacob, because Jacob alone was SEED. Jacob, alone had the seed;

that is why he had respect to the birthright and covenant of God. If you are true seed, you will hear that Word; the Spirit will baptize you into the body of Christ, filling you and empowering you, and you will receive the Word for your day and age.

ISRAEL. AND. THE. CHURCH. 1_ JEFF. IN IC 1-34 WEDNESDAY_ 53-0325 49 Now, before you can become a Christian, God called you, not you calling God; God called you. Now, He called Abraham, and he's the father of us all, the faith.

Notice now, He said, "Abraham!"
Now, it's election. I want to get on that election, strong, 'cause it's the truth. Now, you didn't--you didn't become a Christian just coincidence, because you become a Christian before you was in this world.

Before you were born God ordained you to be a Christian, from the garden of Eden, from before the foundation of the world. "Oh," you say, "is that right, brother?" That's the Truth. God, before there was ever you knowed anything.

ISRAEL. AND. THE. CHURCH. 1_ JEFF. IN IC 1-34 WEDNESDAY_ 53-0325

There was a time that you knew; your--your mind is darkened to that now. There's only been one Man on earth that knew that He was before, and that was Jesus.

He said, "Glorify Me, Father, with the glory that I had with You before the foundation of the world." He was the incarnate God, He could move back there and know what it was. But our minds are blackened there.

ISRAEL. AND. THE. CHURCH. 1_ JEFF. IN IC 1-34 WEDNESDAY_ 53-0325

52 But we were ordained, predestinated. You know what predestinate means? The destination of anything was pre-saw by God. Amen.

ISRAEL. AND. THE. CHURCH. 1_ JEFF. IN IC 1-34 WEDNESDAY_ 53-0325

135 Now, election is nothing you had to do; it's what God's done. God did it in Christ for you before the foundation of the world. "All the Father has given Me will come to Me."

Hallelujah. Oh, my. Excuse me. I'm not excited, but I'm happy.

I. WILL. RESTORE_ OWENSBORO. KY TUESDAY_ 53-1110
E-15 But God through election. . . Amen. That shakes you down a little bit, 'cause I'm speaking to a half million. . . a half a group of Arminians here.

But look. It was through election that God called Abel and had recompense to the reward.

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. 2_ JEFF. IN COD SUNDAY_ 54-0103E 115-53 Jesus told the disciples that He was with them, and He had chose them, and knew them before the foundation of the world was ever laid. Is that right? So God places the pattern.

Now, there'll be an elect that'll go in the rapture. And there'll be a group of people that's good, upright, holy living, God saved people, that will not be in the rapture; and they'll come up in the second resurrection.

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E-25 Abraham, no more than any other man, maybe, as far as we know, coming out of--of Babylon, perhaps an idolater. . . But God by election.

God does the choosing. We can't choose. God does the choosing. We have nothing to do with it.

THE. UNCONDITIONAL. COVENANT. THAT. GOD. MADE. WITH. HIS. PEOPLE_ PHOENIX. AZ SATURDAY_ 54-0306

E-28 what has to happen to the pig to make him want to be a lamb, is something has to come down and change his being. Is that right?

So who has to do that? You? Your whole nature's the other way. God has to do it. God speaks and your nature begins to seek after God. That's when God is dealing with you.

Before anything can happen out here to make you be a Christian, something has to happen in the heart here to turn you to Christianity. That's right. It's election. God does that.

WHY. I'M. PRAYING. FOR. THE. SICK_ COLUMBUS. OH SUNDAY_ 54-0314 E-17 I believe in the election of God, that God does the electing; God does the calling. You, taking thought, could not add one cubit to your statue. See?

But whatever God has determined to be, it will be. And you are called by election. I've heard people say, "Oh, I sought God day and night. " No man never sought God at any time. God seeks man, not man seeking God.

The very nature from the garden of Eden. . . God. . . Instead of man running through the garden hollering, "Father, Father, where are You?"

It was God that hollering, "Adam, Adam, where are you?" See? And today the sinner does the same way.

E-71 By sovereign grace, before there was a world, God knew that I would be here and have this ministry. How many believes that? Sure, He does. Then it was sent to you people.

THIS. GREAT. WARRIOR. DAVID_ CHICAGO. IL TUESDAY_ 55-0118

E-3 gifts and callings are without repentance. It's God's election and foreknowledge is what makes the thing so. If we have a desire, the Bible said, "It's not him that willeth,

or him that runneth, but it's God that showeth mercy. " See? It's not whether you will, or whether you want to, or where your desires is, it's whether it is God's will or not.

Then we have to find out God's will, and if it's that perfect, we can just set our faith to that and say, "This is it. " And we can run right on the way the will of God runs.