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OBJECTIONS

& PROBLEMS

PART 2

THESIS STATEMENT

**Do we as humans have the freewill
ability to choose or reject God's
perfect gift of Eternal Life**

Or

**Is it God out of his own will that He
chooses us to Salvation?**





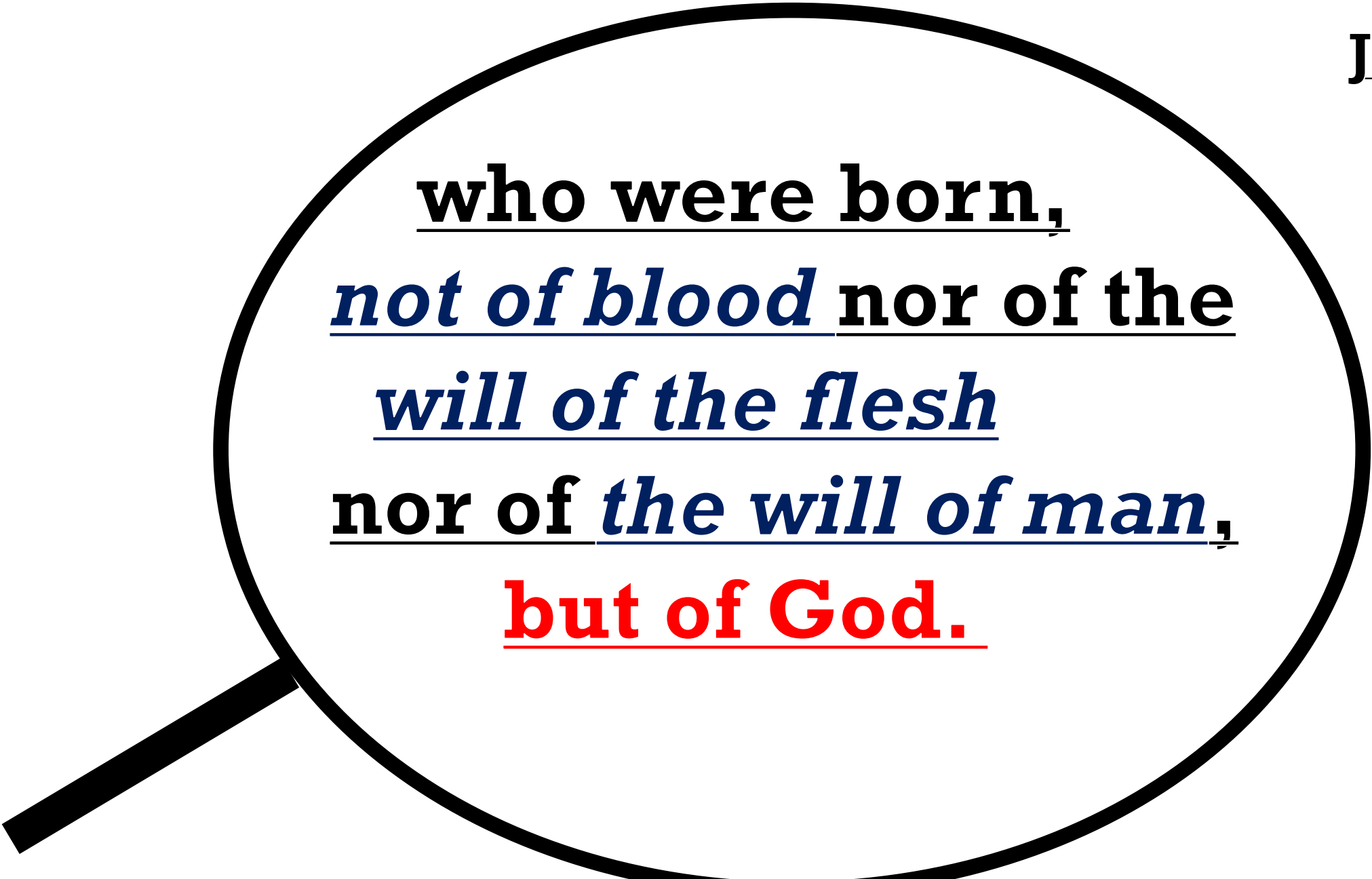
BRIEF OVERVIEW



So then it
depends not on
***human will* or *exertion*,**
but on God, **who**
has mercy.

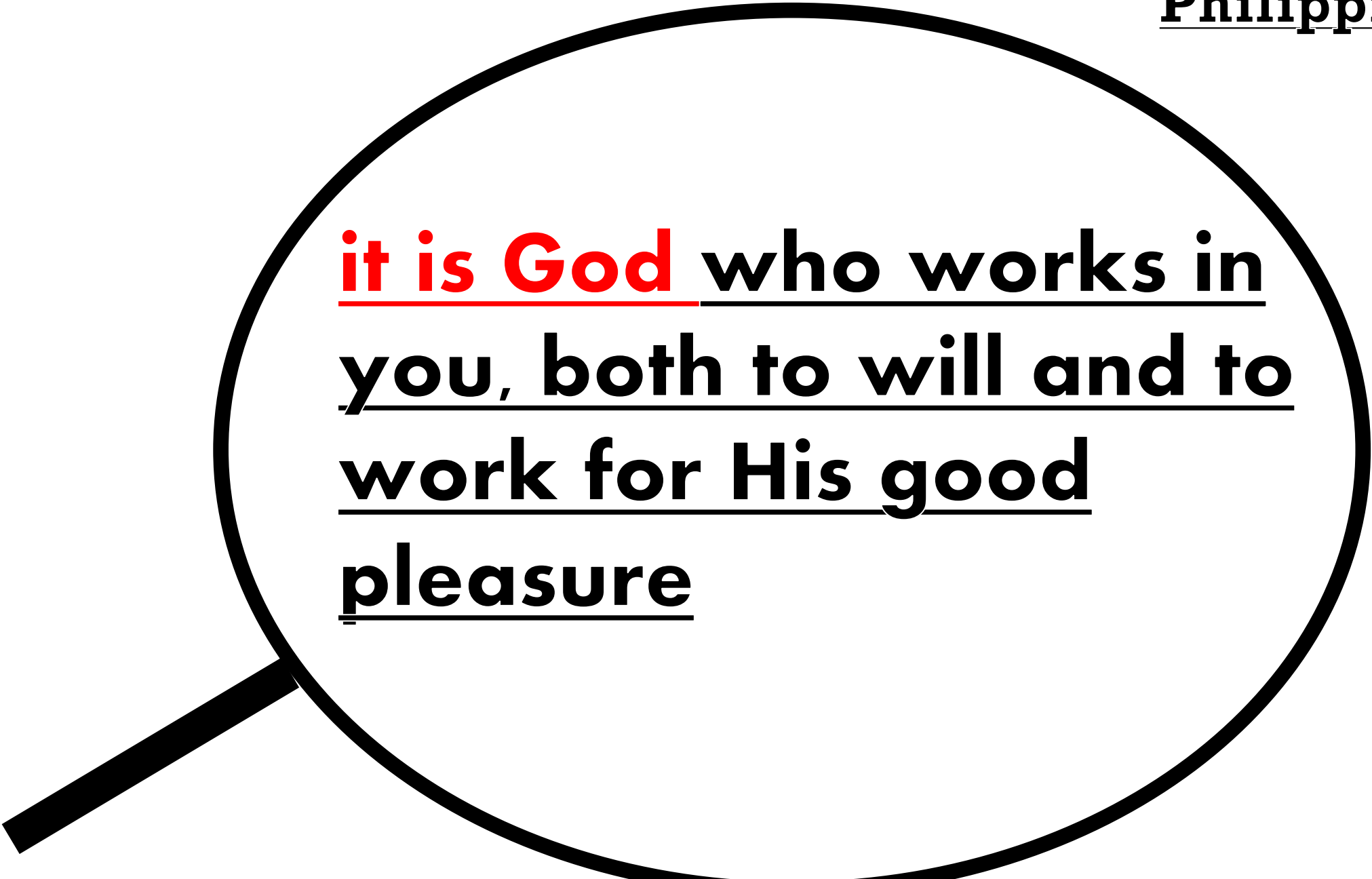


John 1:13



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





it is God who works in
you, both to will and to
work for His good
pleasure



SCRIPTURE IS CLEAR....

Do we as humans have the freewill ability to
choose or *reject* God's perfect gift of Eternal Life

- THE ANSWER IS EMPHATICALLY.....

***** **NO** *****



WORDS OF ETERNAL LIFE

JOHN 6:60-71

John 6:63 - It is the Spirit who gives life;
the flesh is no help at all. The words that I
have spoken to you are spirit and life.



OTHER SIDE OF THE COIN



**Is it God out of his own will that
He chooses us to Salvation?**

ANSWER: ABSOLUTLY - YES



VERSE

James 1:16-18 - Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. **Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth**, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures.



DIFFERENT TERMINOLOGY

- **ELECTION**
- **CHOSEN**
- **CALLED**
- **SET APART**
- **PREDESTINED**
- **SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD**



ELECTION



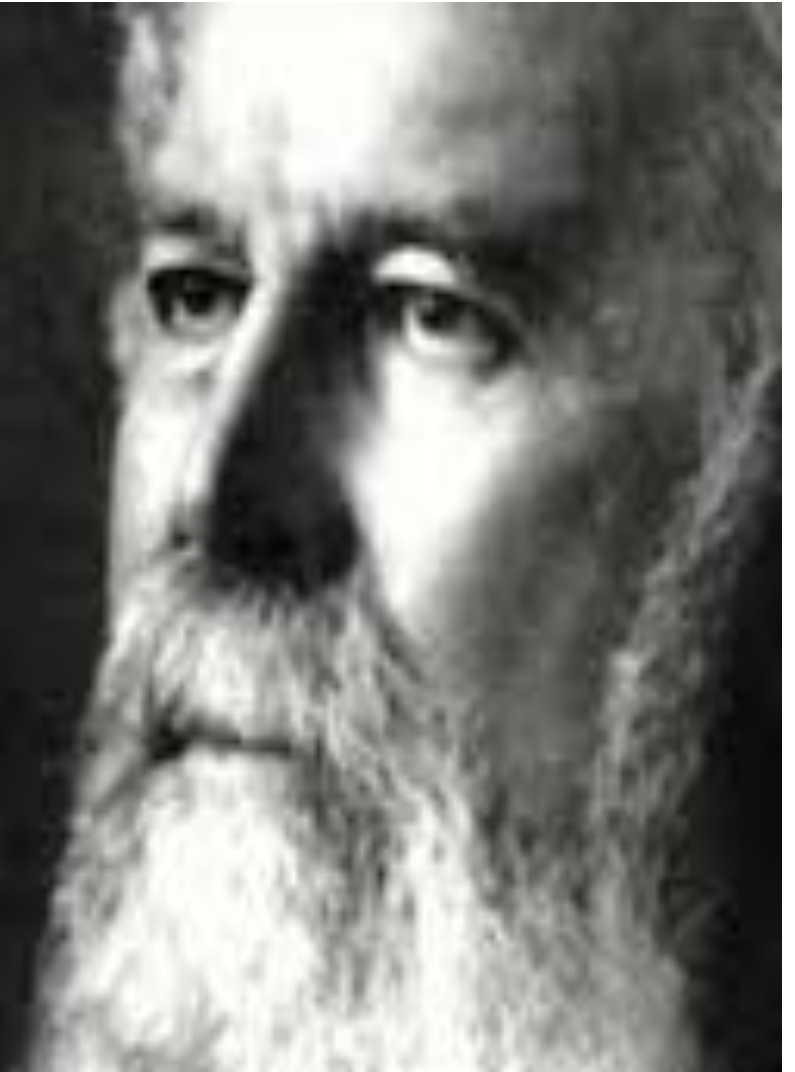
VERSES ON... ELECTION

Romans 9:8-13 - This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. For this is what the promise said: “About this time next year I will return, and Sarah shall have a son.” And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God's purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls— she was told, “The older will serve the younger.” As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.” (Cited: Malachi 1:2-3)



J.C. RYLE

**Nothing gives such offence, and
stirs up such bitter felling among
the wicked, as the idea of God
making any distinction between
man and man, and loving one
person more than another**



VERSES ON... ELECTION

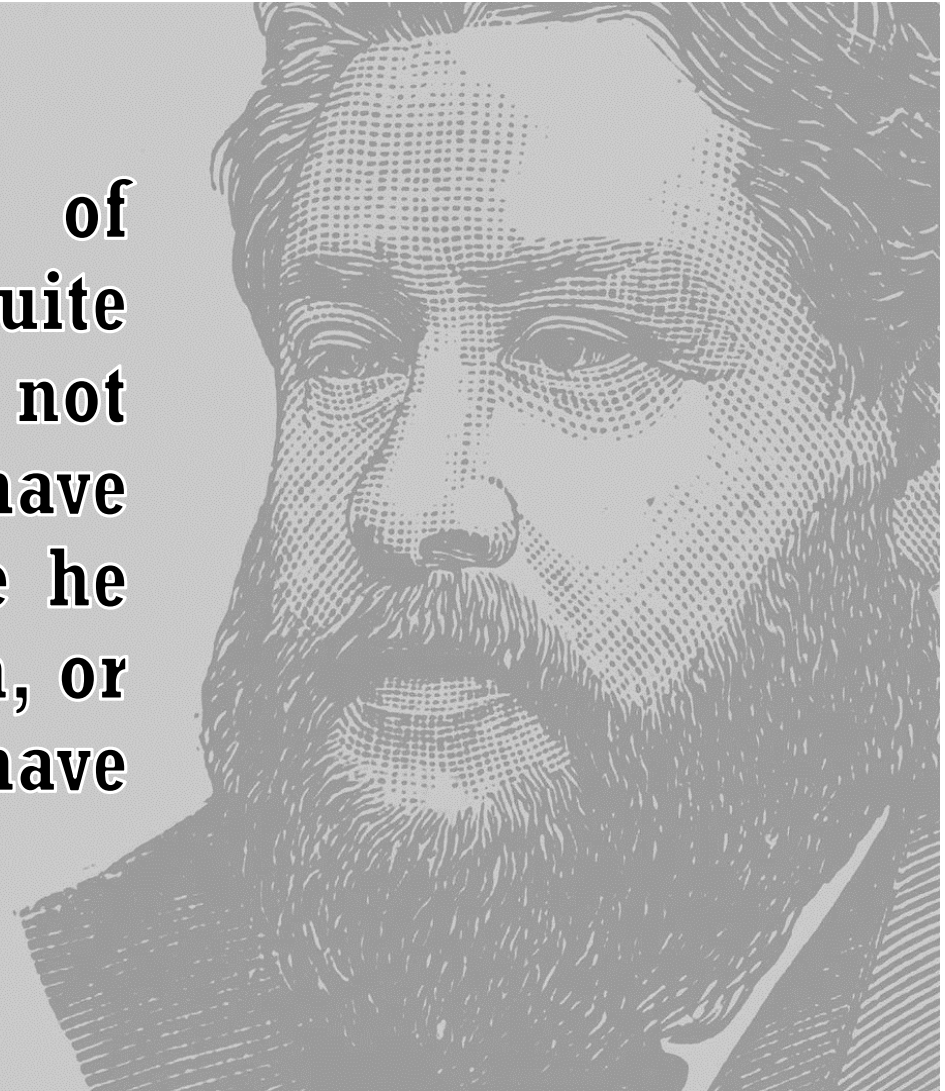
- **Romans 11:28** - As regards the gospel, they are enemies for your sake. But as regards election, they are beloved for the sake of their forefathers.
- **2 Timothy 2:10** - Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.
- **Titus 1:1** - Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, for the sake of the faith of God's elect and their knowledge of the truth, which accords with godliness,
- **2 Peter 1:10** - Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall.



CHOSEN



I believe the Doctrine of Election, because I am quite sure that if God had not chosen me I would never have chosen him; and I am sure he chose me before I was born, or else he never would have chosen me afterwards



VERSES ON... CHOSEN

- **2 Thessalonians 2:13** - But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.
- **Ephesians 1:4** - even as he chose us in him ***before the foundation of the world***, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love
- **John 15:16** - You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.
- **John 15:19** - If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.
- **John 13:18** - I am not speaking of all of you; I know whom I have chosen. But the Scripture will be fulfilled, 'He who ate my bread has lifted his heel against me.'



CALLED



VERSES ON... CALLED

κλήσις – (Klesis/Noun) – A Calling: is always used in the NT of that Calling of Gods invitation to a man to receive the benefits of Salvation

- **Romans 11:29** - For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.
- **1 Corinthians 1:26** - For consider your calling, brothers:
- **Philippians 3:14** - I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.
- **2 Thessalonians 1:11** - To this end we always pray for you, that our God may make you worthy of his calling and may fulfill every resolve for good and every work of faith by his power,
- **2 Peter 1:10** - Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall.



VERSES ON... CALLED

κλητός – (Kletos / Adjective-) – is used in NT of the call of the Gospel or the effectual call

- **1 Corinthians 1:9** - God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- **1 Corinthians 1:24** - but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.
- **1 Corinthians 1:26** - **For consider your calling, brothers:**
- **Hebrews 9:15** - Therefore he is the mediator of a new covenant, so that those who are called may receive the promised eternal inheritance, since a death has occurred that redeems them from the transgressions committed under the first covenant.
- **2 Timothy 1:9** - who saved us and called us to a holy calling, not because of our works but because of his own purpose and grace, which he gave us in Christ Jesus before the ages began,



SET APART



VERSES ON... SET APART

- Galatians 1:15-6 - But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and who called me by his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles,
- Romans 1:1 - Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus, called to be an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God,
- 2 Timothy 2:21 - Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.



PREDESTINED

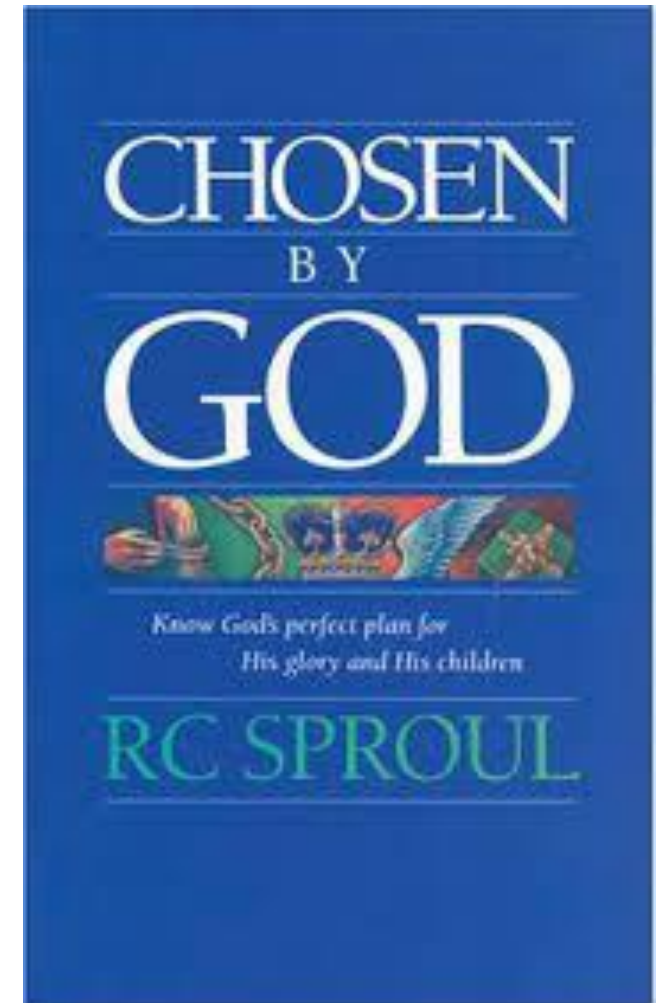


CHOSEN BY GOD — R.C. SPROUL

With a topic like predestination people find it so unpleasant, it is a wonder that we even discuss it at all. Why do we speak of it? Because we enjoy unpleasantness? Not at all.

We discuss it because we cannot avoid it. It is a doctrine plainly set forth in the Bible. We talk about predestination because the Bible talks about predestination.

If we desire to build our theology on the Bible, we run head on into this concept. We soon discover that John Calvin did not invent it. (Pg10)



VERSES ON... PREDESTINATION

Romans 8:28-30 - And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.



VERSES ON... PREDESTINATION

Ephesians 1:11-12 - In him we have obtained an inheritance, having been predestined according to the purpose of him who works all things according to the counsel of his will, so that we who were the first to hope in Christ might be to the praise of his glory.



VERSES ON... PREDESTINATION

Romans 9:22-24 - What if God, desiring to show his wrath and to make known his power, has endured with much patience vessels of wrath prepared for destruction, in order to make known the riches of his glory for vessels of mercy, which he has prepared beforehand for glory— even us whom he has called, not from the Jews only but also from the Gentiles?



VERSES ON... PREDESTINATION

Ephesians 1:3-6 - Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places, even as he chose us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and blameless before him. In love he predestined us for adoption to himself as sons through Jesus Christ, according to the purpose of his will, to the praise of his glorious grace, with which he has blessed us in the Beloved.



SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD



JESUS HIGH PRIESTLY PRAYER

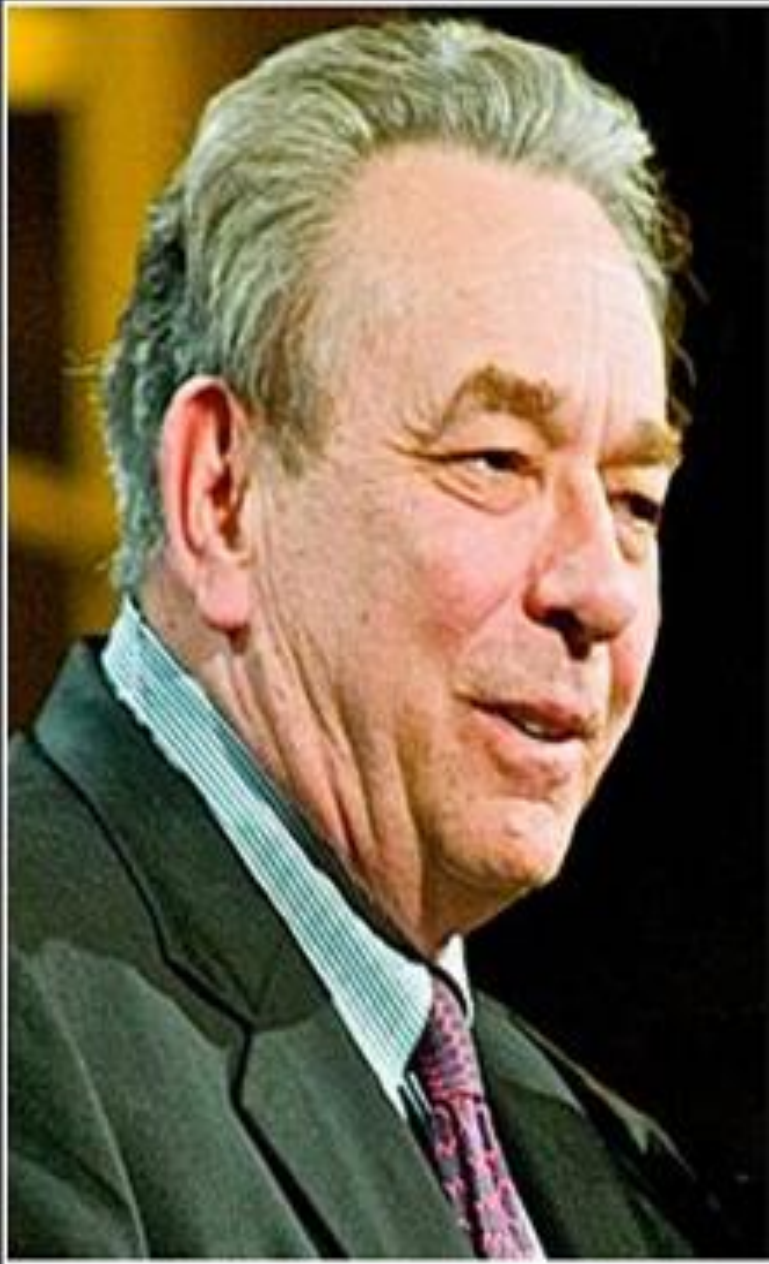
- **John 17:1-2** - When Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven, and said, “Father, the hour has come; glorify your Son that the Son may glorify you, since you have given him authority over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom you have given him.
- **John 17:6-8** - “I have manifested your name to the people whom you gave me out of the world. Yours they were, and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now they know that everything that you have given me is from you. For I have given them the words that you gave me, and they have received them and have come to know in truth that I came from you; and they have believed that you sent me.
- **John 17:11-12** - And I am no longer in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, keep them in your name, which you have given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in your name, which you have given me. I have guarded them, and not one of them has been lost except the son of destruction, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.
- **John 17:24** - Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given me, may be with me where I am, to see my glory that you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world.



VERSES ON... PREDESTINATION

- **John 6:44** - No one can come to me unless the Father who sent me draws him. And I will raise him up on the last day.
- **Matthew 11:27** - All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.
- **John 12:32** - And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself."





Most Christians salute the
sovereignty of God but believe in
the sovereignty of man.

— *R. C. Sproul* —

AZ QUOTES

PRACTICAL APPLICATION



LIFE OF JOSEPH

- **Genesis 45:4-8** - So Joseph said to his brothers, “Come near to me, please.” And they came near. And he said, “I am your brother, Joseph, whom you sold into Egypt. And now do not be distressed or angry with yourselves because you sold me here, for God sent me before you to preserve life. For the famine has been in the land these two years, and there are yet five years in which there will be neither plowing nor harvest. And God sent me before you to preserve for you a remnant on earth, and to keep alive for you many survivors. **So it was not you who sent me here, but God.** He has made me a father to Pharaoh, and lord of all his house and ruler over all the land of Egypt.
- **Genesis 50:20** - As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.



BOOKS FOR FURTHER STUDY

- ❖ CHOSEN BY GOD – R.C. SPROUL
- ❖ THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD – A.W. PINK
- ❖ THE REFORMED DOCTRINE OF PREDESTINATION – LORAIN BOETNER
- ❖ SAVED BY GRACE (from first to last) – BRIAN A RUSSELL





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- ▶ **John 3:16** “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

- ▶ **Whoever** - pronoun (Oxford Dictionary)

- the person or people who; any person who.

(E.g. *whoever wins should be guaranteed an Olympic place*)

- used for emphasis instead of ‘who’ in questions, typically expressing surprise or confusion.

(E.g. *whoever would want to make up something like that?*)

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- **John 3:1-8** - Now there was a man of the Pharisees named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews. This man came to Jesus by night and said to him, “Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher come from God, for no one can do these signs that you do unless God is with him.” Jesus answered him, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born again he cannot see the kingdom of God.” Nicodemus said to him, “How can a man be born when he is old? Can he enter a second time into his mother's womb and be born?” Jesus answered, “Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God. **That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit.** Do not marvel that I said to you, ‘You must be born again.’ **The wind blows where it wishes, and you hear its sound, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit.**”