

Application of Salvation (Part 2)  
(Calling/Regeneration)

Addendum: What Person(s) of the Trinity is (are) more directly involved in the application of salvation?

1) The application of salvation is the peculiar work of God the Father.

Effectual Calling (Rom. 8:30; 1 Cor. 1:9); Regeneration (James 1:18; 1 Pet. 1:3); Repentance and Faith (Acts 11:17, 18; Phil. 1:29); Justification (Rom. 8:30, 33); Adoption (Gal. 4:4-6; Rom. 8:15-17); Gift of the HS (Acts 5:32; 2 Cor. 5:5); Sanctification (John 17:17); Perseverance and Preservation (1 Pet. 1:5; Phil. 1:6; Phil. 2:13); Assurance (2 Cor. 1:3, 4; Rom. 15:13); Glorification (Rom 8:30); Forgiveness (Matt. 6:12, 14, 15)

-This perspective glorifies God, directs our prayers, checks a wrong emphasis on the HS

2) The application of salvation is executed through the peculiar agency of God the HS.

Regeneration brings about moral change. That moral change effected through the activity of the HS. Justification (Rom. 8:33; 1 Cor. 6:11); Adoption, Assurance (Rom. 8:16); Sanctification (2 Thess. 2:13; Rom. 8:4, 13); Glorification (Rom. 8:11)

-This perspective glorifies the Spirit, urges humility, dependence on God.

Conclusion: In both the Accomplishment and Application of salvation, there is joint action between the Father and the Son, and the Father and the Spirit, respectively.

Calling and Regeneration

-birth, summons, creation, emancipation, resurrection

Effectual Calling (κλήσις; καλέω; κλητός)

-Meaning: name; summon; invite

-Definition: "God the Father, according to His eternal purpose and because of His grace, authoritatively, efficaciously, and affectionately summons in one body those whom He predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, not of the Jews only but also of the Gentiles, out of darkness into the fellowship of His Son in His marvelous light through the apostolic gospel."

I. The Author of the Effectual Call

-“God the Father” (Rom. 8:29, 30; 1 Cor. 1:9)

## II. The Pattern of the Effectual Call

-“according to His eternal purpose” (Rom. 8:28; 2 Tim. 1:9)

## III. The Cause of the Effectual Call

-“because of His grace” (Gal. 1:6, 15)

## IV. The Substance (Essence) of the Effectual Call

-“authoritatively, efficaciously, and affectionately summons” (John 6:44, 45; 1 Thess. 2:12)

## V. The Sphere of the Effectual Call

-“In one body” (Col. 3:15)

## VI. The Recipients of the Effectual Call

-“those whom He predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, not of the Jews only but also of the Gentiles” (Rom. 8:30; 9:24)

## VII. The Terminus a Quo of the Effectual Call

-“out of darkness” (1 Pet. 2:9)

## VIII. The Terminus Ad Quem of the Effectual Call

-“into the fellowship of His Son in His marvelous light” (1 Cor. 1:9, 7:15; Gal. 5:13; Col. 3:15; 1 Thess. 2:12, 4:7; 2 Thess. 2:14; 1 Tim. 6:12; Heb. 9:15; 1 Pet. 2:9, 5:10).

## IX. The Means of the Effectual Call

-“the gospel” (1 Thess. 1:5; 2 Thess. 2:14)