

10. UNCONDITIONAL ELECTION

• review:

Rom. 5:12; Eph. 2:1-3

• nevertheless, God chooses to show mercy...but on what basis?

Tit. 3:4-5

Is. 64:6

1 Cor. 2:14

Jn. 6:44

Deut. 29:29

• definition: Unconditional Election

- Israel — Deut. 10:14-15; Ps. 33:12; Ex. 32:9

- believers — Mt. 24:22, 24, 31; Lk. 18:7; Col. 3:12; 1 Thess. 5:9
Eph. 1:4; Rev. 17:8

- does He choose because we believe?

2 Tim. 1:9

Jn. 10:26-29

Acts 16:14; Phil. 1:29; Eph. 2:8; 2 Thess. 2:13-14

2 Tim. 2:25

Acts 13:48

• summary of this doctrine:

• Westminster Confession of Faith¹

- > “By the decree of God, for the manifestation of His glory, some men and angels are predestinated unto everlasting life; and others foreordained to everlasting death.
- > “These angels and men, thus predestinated, and foreordained, are particularly and unchangeably designed, and their number so certain and definite, that it cannot be either increased or diminished.
- > “Those of mankind that are predestinated unto life, God, before the foundation of the world was laid, according to His eternal and immutable purpose, and the secret counsel and good pleasure of His will, has chosen, in Christ, unto everlasting glory, out of His mere free grace and love, without any foresight of faith, or good works, or perseverance in either of them, or any other thing in the creature, as conditions, or causes moving Him thereunto; and all to the praise of His glorious grace.”

¹ Chpt III, “Of God’s Eternal Decree,” articles III – V; reformed.org/documents/wcf_with_proofs/