

**Works of God - The Divine Decrees - Part 2**  
*Volume 5 - Unit 10*

B. Election

1. Definition - God, in eternity past, has chosen certain individuals to be eternally His and to enjoy a predetermined future in His presence.

2. Classic scriptures

Ephesians 1:4

Colossians 3:12

I Peter 1:2

Matthew 20:16, 22:14

Matthew 24:22, 24, 31

I Thessalonians 1:4

3. The basis

a. Calvinism

(1) Total depravity

(2) Unconditional election

(3) Limited atonement

(4) Irresistible grace

(5) Perseverance of the saints

b. Arminianism

(1) Prevenient grace

(2) Conditional election

(3) Unlimited atonement

(4) Resistible grace

(5) Possible fall from grace

c. Strengths and weaknesses of the major views

d. A proposed mediating hypothesis

(1) The volitional mechanism

(2) The choice of the "positive"

(3) The "jamming" of the mechanism

(4) The efficacious call

(5) The eternal security of the elect

SCRIPTURE MEMORY VERSE - Ephesians 1:4 – “He has chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love.”