

Examining the Biblical Doctrine of Election.

REVIEW Vs 2-3: What's in you should be coming out of you.

Vs 2: Follow the pronouns. This is _____

*Vs 3: Our salvation should show out of our lives. (vs 9) **Philippians 2:12***

THREE PRINCIPLES TO HELP US UNDERSTAND BIBLICAL ELECTION.

1. Notice it's tied to your _____!

- "brethren" you are born into God's family at the moment of your _____.
You became part of the brethren. God chose you to the elect before the foundation of the world. **Ephesians 1:3-6**
- God's election works by as you exercise your _____ to receive Christ. **John 1:11-13; Matthew 22:14**
God called who? Example: **Acts 17:29-30; 2 Peter 3:9**

Rule of Bible study: "Usage determines meaning."

2. Notice _____ the Bible uses the word "election."

- Greek word "Ekloge" = "Chosen" "Election" It's used 5 times in Scripture in 3 places.
- **FIRST:** Paul. **Acts 9:15** Issue: God had a _____ for Saul's life.
- **SECOND:** Esau or Jacob. **Romans 9** Issue: where will the _____ come from? Vs 11
- **THIRD:** Romans 11:4-7, 25-32. Issue: God's dealing with the nation of _____.
Israel had to choose Christ to be part of God's elect.
- **How did the "elect" obtain and come to the place where they are the ELECT beloved of God? Ex: 2 Peter 1:1-10**
If you want God's plan for you life fulfilled, you must DO THE THINGS that He has called you to.

What God has determined for you, you must AGREE with HIM for them. It is your choice!

Example SALVATION.

-What is God's will? 1 Timothy 2:3-4

-But your will must match God's. John 3:16

3. Know biblically how election works in the _____ of God. **1 Peter 1:2**

- It's FOREKNOWLEDGE election. Not capricious election.
It starts with God's foreknowledge. He foresees your receiving Christ.

So, when you chose Christ, God chose you back. God's foreknowledge ENCOMPACES all of man's free will.
What you decide about God TODAY, (actively) DETERMINES what God decided about you from before the beginning of time.

- Key for Election: The fruit in your life proves your life's ROOT. What is IN you will be what comes OUT of your life.
What came out of the church of Thessalonica? 1 Thessalonians 1:3-10
- What IS coming out of your life? Example: **Matthew 4:19**

Are you elect? You get to choose. You must choose.