

# ELECTION

No (real) election	Election <sup>+</sup>	Election alone
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**2 Thessalonians 2:13** But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, **brethren beloved of the Lord** (ἀδελφοὶ ἠγαπημένοι ὑπὸ κυρίου), because **God hath from the beginning** (εἶλετο ὑμᾶς ὁ θεὸς ἀπ' ἀρχῆς) **chosen you to salvation** (εἰς σωτηρίαν) through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth: **2 Thessalonians 2:14** Whereunto **he called** (ὁ ἐκάλεσεν) you **by our gospel** (διὰ τοῦ εὐαγγελίου ἡμῶν), to the obtaining of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

To even mention this word prompts many reactions – most of them bad!

- I don't believe in election!
- Calvinism is the enemy of soul winning! (of course election is a Biblical word and concept and **therefore** precedes any discussion of Calvinism / Arminianism!)

**2 Timothy 2:10** **Therefore I endure all things for the elect's sakes, that** they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

- A topic that is off limits – verboten!
- Anger, hatred, nearly violence!
- Dismissive, abusive language. Putting you down &/ putting you in your place!

Then one day you read the Bible!

**Mark 13:20** And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved: **but for the elect's** (ἀλλὰ διὰ τοῦς ἐκλεκτούς) **sake, whom he hath chosen** (οὗς ἐξελέξατο), he hath shortened the days.

**John 13:18** I speak not of you all: **I know whom I have chosen** (ἐγὼ οἶδα οὗς ἐξελεξάμην): but that the scripture may be fulfilled, He that eateth bread with me hath lifted up his heel against me.

**John 15:16** **Ye have not chosen** (Οὐχ ὑμεῖς με ἐξελέξασθε) **me, but I have chosen** (ἀλλ' ἐγὼ ἐξελεξάμην ὑμᾶς) **you**, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

**John 15:19** If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, **but I have chosen** (ἀλλ' ἐγὼ ἐξελεξάμην ὑμᾶς ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου) **you out of the world**, therefore the world hateth you.

**1 Corinthians 1:22** For the **Jews require a sign**, and the **Greeks seek after wisdom**: **1 Corinthians 1:23** But we preach Christ crucified, **unto** (Ἰουδαίοις μὲν σκάνδαλον) **the Jews a stumblingblock, and unto** (Ἑλλήσιν δὲ μωρίαν) **the Greeks foolishness**; **1 Corinthians 1:24** **But unto** (αὐτοῖς δὲ τοῖς κλητοῖς) **them which are called, both** Jews and Greeks, **Christ the power of God, and the wisdom of God.**

**1 Corinthians 1:25** Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men. **1 Corinthians 1:26** For ye see **your calling** (τὴν κλήσιν ὑμῶν), brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble (εὐγενεῖς), are called: **1 Corinthians 1:27** But **God hath chosen** (ἐξελέξατο ὁ θεός) the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and **God hath chosen** (ἐξελέξατο ὁ θεός) the weak things of the world to confound the things which are mighty; **1 Corinthians 1:28** And base things of the world, and things which are despised, **hath God chosen** (ἐξελέξατο ὁ θεός), yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are: **1 Corinthians 1:29** **That no flesh should glory in his presence.** **1 Corinthians 1:30** But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption: **1 Corinthians 1:31** **That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.**

**Ephesians 1:4** According as **he hath chosen** (ἐξελέξατο ἡμᾶς ἐν αὐτῷ πρὸ καταβολῆς κόσμου) **us in him before the foundation of the world**, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

**James 2:5** Hearken, my beloved brethren, **Hath not God chosen** (ὁ θεὸς ἐξελέξατο) the poor of this world rich in faith, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?

**Matthew 20:16** So the last shall be first, and the first last: **for many be called** (πολλοὶ γὰρ εἰσὶν κλητοί), **but few chosen** (ὀλίγοι δὲ ἐκλεκτοί).

**Matthew 22:14** **For many are called** (Πολλοὶ γὰρ εἰσὶν κλητοί), **but few are chosen** (ὀλίγοι δὲ ἐκλεκτοί).

**Matthew 24:22** And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: **but for the elect's** (διὰ δὲ τοὺς ἐκλεκτούς) **sake** those days shall be shortened.

**Matthew 24:24** For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive **the very elect** (τοὺς ἐκλεκτούς).

**Matthew 24:31** And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together **his elect** (τοὺς ἐκλεκτούς **αὐτοῦ**) from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

**Luke 18:7** And shall not God avenge **his own elect** (τῶν ἐκλεκτῶν αὐτοῦ), which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?

**Romans 8:33** Who shall lay any thing to the charge of **God's elect** (ἐκλεκτῶν θεοῦ)? It is God that justifieth.

**Romans 16:13** Salute Rufus **chosen** (τὸν ἐκλεκτὸν ἐν κυρίῳ) **in the Lord**, and his mother and mine.

**Colossians 3:12** Put on therefore, **as the elect** (ὡς ἐκλεκτοὶ τοῦ θεοῦ) of God, **holy** (ἅγιοι) **and beloved** (ἠγαπημένοι), bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering; **Colossians 3:13** Forbearing one another, and forgiving one another, if any man have a quarrel against any: even as Christ forgave you, so also do ye. **Colossians 3:14** And above all these things put on charity, which is the bond of perfectness.

**2 Timothy 2:10** Therefore I endure all things **for the elect's** (διὰ τοὺς ἐκλεκτούς) **sakes**, **that** they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

**Titus 1:1** Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, according to the faith of **God's elect** (ἐκλεκτῶν θεοῦ), and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness;

**1 Peter 1:1** Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, **to the strangers scattered throughout** (ἐκλεκτοῖς παρεπιδήμοις διασπορᾶς) Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, **1 Peter 1:2** **Elect** according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

**1 Peter 2:4** To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but **chosen** (ἐκλεκτόν) of God, and **precious** (ἔντιμον),

**1 Peter 2:6** Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion a chief corner stone, **elect** (ἐκλεκτόν), **precious** (ἔντιμον): and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

**1 Peter 2:9** But ye are a **chosen** (γένος ἐκλεκτόν) **generation**, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him **who hath called** (καλέσαντος) you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

**Revelation 17:14** These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are **called** (κλητοί), and **chosen** (ἐκλεκτοί), and **faithful** (πιστοί).

**Acts 9:15** But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: for he is a **chosen** (σκευὸς ἐκλογῆς) **vessel** unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:

**Romans 9:11** (For the children being **not** yet born, **neither** having done any good or evil, **that** the purpose of God **according to election** (ἢ κατ' ἐκλογὴν) might stand, not of works, **but** of him that calleth (ἀλλ' ἐκ τοῦ καλοῦντος);)

**Romans 11:5** Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant **according to the election of grace** (κατ' ἐκλογὴν χάριτος).

**Romans 11:7** What then? Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; **but the election (ἡ δὲ ἐκλογή)** hath obtained it, and the rest were blinded

**Romans 11:28** As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching **the election (τὴν ἐκλογήν)**, they are beloved for the fathers' sakes. **Romans 11:29** For **the gifts (τὰ χαρίσματα)** and **calling (ἡ κλήσις τοῦ θεοῦ)** of God are without repentance.

**1 Thessalonians 1:4** Knowing, **brethren beloved (ἀδελφοὶ ἠγαπημένοι ὑπὸ θεοῦ)**, your **election (τὴν ἐκλογήν ὑμῶν)** of God.

**2 Peter 1:10** Wherefore the rather, brethren, give diligence to make your **calling (τὴν κλήσιν)** and **election (καὶ ἐκλογήν)** sure: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall:

**John 6:37** **All that the Father giveth (Πᾶν ὃ δίδωσίν μοι ὁ πατήρ)** me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out.

**John 6:44** No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day. **John 6:45** It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me. **John 6:65** And he said, Therefore said I unto you, that no man can come unto me, except **it were given (δεδομένον αὐτῷ) unto him** of my Father.

**John 17:2** As thou hast given him power over all flesh, **that he should give (δώσει)** eternal life to **as many as thou hast given (πᾶν ὃ δέδωκας αὐτῷ) him. John 17:3** And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.

**John 17:6** I have manifested thy name unto the men **which thou gavest (οὓς δέδωκας) me** out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.

**John 17:9** I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for **them which thou hast given me (ὧν δέδωκάς μοι)**; for they are thine.

**John 17:11** And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to thee. Holy Father, keep through thine own name **those whom thou hast given (ὧ δέδωκάς μοι) me**, that they may be one, as we are.

**John 17:12** While I was with them in the world, I kept them in thy name: **those that thou gavest (οὓς δέδωκάς μοι) me** I have kept, and none of them is lost, but the son of perdition (ὁ υἱὸς τῆς ἀπωλείας); that the scripture might be fulfilled.

**John 17:24** Father, I will that they also, **whom thou hast given (οὓς δέδωκάς μοι) me**, be with me where I am; that they may behold my glory, **which thou hast given (ἣν ἔδωκάς) me**: for thou lovedst me before the foundation of the world.

By the time you are finished with the texts alone – you know you must believe something! You can no longer blow this off or change the subject!