

Election

Selected Verses

Introduction: Review humanity's sin nature.

To understand election, I invite you to turn to Romans 8:29-30. This is called the 'Golden Chain of Salvation.' *For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers.* ³⁰ *And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.*

God, the Father, sovereignly elected or chose a number to His eternal covenant and to be conformed to the image of His Son. Ephesians 1:4-5, Mark 13:20, Acts 13:48, Romans 9:11-13, 15-16, Deuteronomy 7:1-11

When did the foreknowing occur? Ephesians 1:4, Revelation 13:8, 17:8,

From our Roman 8 text, following foreknowledge comes predestination. John 15:16, 6:37, 64-65, Ephesians 1:4-5

Along with being foreknown and predestined, God grants faith as a gift and evidence of election. II Thessalonians 2:13-14, Philippians 1:29, Ephesians 2:8-9, I Timothy 1:9,

Evangelism is sure in election. II Timothy 2:10, John 4:35

The Takeaway:

To recap, here are the questions I grappled with which I shared with you: **1.** Who does the electing, God or man? **2.** When did the electing take place, in eternity or in time? **3.** On what basis

was the electing, or choosing, done. Was it based on free grace or unconditional, or was it based on a condition of one's free will?