## The Doctrine of Sovereign Grace & Divine Election Ephesians 1.4-6

## 1. The FACT of election...

## God chose believers to be His own...

- a. The doctrine of election is not a philosophical speculation; it is a divine revelation. (Romans 9:15-16, Acts 13:48, Romans 8:29-30)
- b. The doctrine of election fits within the doctrine of God's supreme sovereignty. (Proverbs 16:33, Proverbs 21:1, Proverbs 20:24, Proverbs 19:21, Exodus 4:11, Acts 2:23, Amos 3:6, Daniel 4:35)
- c. Believers were chosen based on God's grace, not based on their merit. (Ephesians 1.6, Deuteronomy 7:6-8)
- 2. The TIMING of election... God's choice of believers was before the creation of the world...
- 3. The PURPOSE of election... God chose believers to be holy, blameless, and loving...
- 4. Is the doctrine of election the same as fatalism?
- 5. How does the doctrine of election and predestination relate to free will?
- 6. So What? What difference does the doctrine of election and predestination make?
  - a. The doctrine of election promotes holiness!
  - b. The doctrine of election promotes humility!
  - c. The doctrine of election promotes spiritual stability, confidence, and assurance!
  - d. Bottom line, the doctrine of election promotes the glory of God!