

Salvation Belongs to Our God!
“The Father’s Sovereign and Electing Love”

Miscellaneous Scriptures

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INTRODUCTION/REVIEW:

1. God’s sovereign and gracious electing love in Scripture.

- Scriptural support and meaning(s):
 - Psalm 135:5-6.
 - Exodus 33:19.
 - Deuteronomy 10:14-15.
 - Jeremiah 1:5.
 - Ephesians 1:3-6.
 - Ephesians 1:11-12.
 - Romans 8:28-33.
 - Matthew 22:14.
 - Matthew 24:22, 24, 31.
 - Acts 13:46-48.
 - Romans 9:10-16, 21.
 - 1 Thessalonians 5:9-11; 2 Thessalonians 2:13; 2 Timothy 1:9-10; 2:10; 1 Peter 1:1-2; etc.

2. Total depravity / inability reveal the splendor of sovereign electing love.

- Illustrations of electing love.

- Holding tightly to total depravity, how would you answer these difficult questions:
 - How free is my will?

 - Did God foresee something in man that moved Him to elect in love?

 - Is God under obligation to elect all if He elects some?

3. Embracing humility AND the mystery of electing love.

- Be sure to humbly embrace the greatest mystery!

- But wherever mystery lies, humility must rise.

4. The impact of electing love on the Christian.

- Obviously, salvation! 2 Thessalonians 2:13; 1 Thessalonians 5:9

- Worshipfully move us to praise our glorious and gracious God! Ephesians 1:5-6, 11-12; 2 Thessalonians 2:13

- Effectively produce holiness and obedience to Jesus! Ephesians 1:3-4; 1 Peter 1:1-2

- Convincingly bring comfort and endurance! 1 Thessalonians 5:9-11; Romans 8:28-30

- Sacrificially compel Christians to obey the Great Commission! 2 Timothy 2:8-10; Acts 13:47-49; 18:9-11