GRACE BIBLE CHURCH

Boasting in the Father Who Chose Us!

Ephesians 1:3-6

INTRODUCTION:

Boasting in the worth of the Father is the inevitable result of benefitting from the work of the Father in salvation (election).

I. The worth of the Father, 1:3.

The worth of the Father is pronounced by:

- His relationship with Jesus Christ.
- His blessing in Jesus Christ.

II. The work of the Father, 1:4-6.

- 1. What is the Father's work in salvation, 1:4, 5? (election, predestination)
- 2. When did the Father elect, 1:4b?
- 3. What is the Father's nearer aim in election, 1:4c?
- 4. How does predestination affect our relationship with God, 1:5a?
- 5. What standard does the Father measure predestination against, 1:5b?
- 6. What is the Father's ultimate aim in predestination, 1:6?

APPLICATION:

- 1. Election humbles me and exalts God's grace in my worship of Him, 1:3-6.
- 2. Election strengthens me in my battle against sin, 1:4.
- 3. Election convinces me of the necessity and success of evangelism, 1:4, 5 (2:1-2).