

Foundations:  
*A Primer on the Fundamentals of  
Systematic Theology*

Week 5  
Soteriology I: Election and Predestination  
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What is Soteriology?

- Soter = Greek “savior”
  
- logy = “word” or knowledge

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“Calvinism” and “Arminianism”

- Calvinism: The system that affirms God’s “monergistic” work in salvation.
  
- Arminianism: The system that affirms God and man’s “synergistic” work in salvation.

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## The 5 Points of Arminianism

- Human Ability (aided by the Spirit)
- Conditional Election
- Unlimited Atonement
- Resistible Grace (prevenient grace)
- Uncertainty of Perseverance

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## The 5 Points of Calvinism

- Total Depravity
- Unconditional Election
- Limited Atonement
- Irresistible Grace
- Perseverance of the Saints

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## Election: When?

Ephesians 1:3-6

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ, just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we would be holy and blameless before Him. In love He predestined us to adoption as sons through Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the kind intention of His will, to the praise of the glory of His grace, which He freely bestowed on us in the Beloved.

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## Lapsarian Positions

- Supralapsarianism
  
- Infralapsarianism

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## Election: Who and Why?

2 Timothy 1:9

who has saved us and called us with a holy calling, not according to our works, but according to His own purpose and grace which was granted us in Christ Jesus from all eternity,

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## Open Theism: The New Kid on the Block

Genesis 6:5-6

Then the LORD saw that the wickedness of man was great on the earth, and that every intent of the thoughts of his heart was only evil continually. The LORD was sorry that He had made man on the earth, and He was grieved in His heart.

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## Reference Links

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