

Calvin's Institutes of the Christian Religion
10 Election and the Final Resurrection

1. Election

(a) Election and Predestination

John 15:16, John 17:12, Eph 1:3-4

When we inquire into predestination, we are penetrating the sacred precincts of _____.

Deut 29:29

- i. We must not _____ on predestination.
- ii. We should not investigate what the Lord has left _____; we should not _____ what he has brought into the open.
- iii. Many who claim to accept predestination, wrap it in the _____ of God, saying that he saves those he _____ would merit salvation.

2 Tim 1:9

Rom 9:18

- iv. For when it is shown that God hardens or has mercy to whom he wills, men are warned by this to seek no _____ outside his _____.

(b) Objections (and responses)

- i. Election makes God a _____

If by reason of _____ all are subject to the judgment of _____, by what measure do they complain?

- ii. Election removes _____ from man

The decree of death to all Adam's offspring is dreadful. Yet God _____ the outcome before creation, because he _____ it by his _____.

- iii. Election indicates that God is _____ to persons

God does not consider the man, but from his own _____ comes the reason to do him good.

- iv. Election destroys _____ for _____.

If the goal of election is _____, it ought to arouse a _____ for holiness in us, rather than serve as a pretext for _____.

2. The Final Resurrection

1 Cor 15:13-14

- (a) It is _____ to believe that bodies, when consumed with rottenness, will at length be raised up in their season.

Scripture provides two helps by which faith may overcome this great obstacle: one in the parallel of _____; the other in the _____ of God.

Is 25:8, 1 Cor 15:54-55

- (b) When the _____ that death will be swallowed up in victory are fulfilled let us always have in mind the _____, the goal of resurrection...
- (c) Though we may meditate _____ on this state, we must acknowledge that the height of this _____ is beyond our mental capacity.
- (d) As ... we should be enabled ... to conceive the lot of the _____, so we ought especially to fix our thoughts upon this: how _____ it is to be cut off from all fellowship with God.

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The True Church

- Institutes 4.1-13
- 1689 LBCF Ch. 21-23, 26, 27
- Eph 4:10-13, Rom 12:5, 1 Cor 12:12