### THE BOOK OF ROMANS

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE.

THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

Romans 8:31-39

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### THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

# What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy? — Part 2

The Gospel of Grace. The Foundation of New Testament Theology And How The Justified Shall Live by Faith in Jesus Christ Alone.

#### SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Adoption, Redemption, Justification, Sanctification, Children of God, Indwelling.

#### Romans 8:31-39

What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? 33 Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. 35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." 37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. 38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

# We are (I am) asking the Question – What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy?

### Matthew 24:4

And Jesus answered and said to them: "Take heed that no one deceives you.

### 1 Timothy 4:1-2

Now the Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, **2** speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron.

### 2 Timothy 3:1-5

But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: **2** For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, **3** unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, **4** traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, **5** having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!

### 2 Timothy 4:1-5

I charge *you* therefore before God and the Lord Jesus Christ, who will judge the living and the dead at His appearing and His kingdom: **2** Preach the word! Be ready in season *and* out of season. Convince, rebuke, exhort, with all longsuffering and teaching. **3** For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine, but according to their own desires, *because* they have itching ears, they will heap up for themselves teachers; **4** and they will turn *their* ears away from the truth, and be turned aside to fables. **5** But you be watchful in all things, endure afflictions, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

# What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy?

1.) The fact is - your glorification is coming.

vs. 31-32

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# What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy? When the fact is – your glorification is coming!

1a.) We will learn the truth	vs. 31a
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1b.) We will see the opposition	vs. 31b
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1c.)	We will know His favor	vs. 32
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# What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy?

2.) The fact is – your defense is in God's hands vs. 33-34

33 Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.
34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, Who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

# What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy? When the fact is – your defense is in God's hands!

# 2a.) His innocence is now my innocence

vs. 33

### Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies.

**Who** grk: tis

any certain one, someone, anyone in a generic sense which encompasses all, any,

one or the many, a mob or group.

**Bring** epi'phe'ro

to bring an infliction, to bring harassment, to make pronouncements against

Charge eg'ka'leo

A banking term meaning to call in a loan or to demand sudden payment of debt, to

bring forth the ledger of what is owed.

**Elect** ek'lek'tos

favorited one, chosen one, selected one.

"Here Paul challenges, anybody, everybody, or anything in heaven, earth, or hell, to answer these theological assertions – to deny them is to deny the truth which they contain.

But there is no answer. For no one, nothing, nor anything can harm the people of God whom He has foreknown, predestined, called, justified and glorified!"

John R.W. Stott

## Notice here - that it is not

an **assumed** election. It is not a **church** doing the election. It is not a **hierarchal** election, it is not by a **committee** doing the election.

It is not a man-made election. - It is by GOD'S election

## The Elect of God

The "Elect of God" are all those (either Jew or Gentile having come to Christ) in whom God has predestined to salvation based upon His eternal foreknowledge. They are called "the elect" because the word denotes having been "determined beforehand", or "ordaining," that is God "having knowledge of from eternity or previously or ahead of physical time."

### 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, **4** just as He chose us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love, **5** having predestined us to adoption as sons by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will, **6** to the praise of the glory of His grace, by which He made us accepted in the Beloved.

### Philippians 2:13

For it is God who works in you both to will and to do for *His* good pleasure.

### John 6:43a, 44

**43a** Jesus therefore answered and said to them, **44** No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me draws him; and I will raise him up at the last day.

# Regarding the Elect of God...

### **Galatians 5:5**

For we through the Spirit eagerly wait for the hope of righteousness by faith. (a rapture verse)

Galatians 5:5 is true because we HAVE BEEN justified.

Who are God's Elect? - They are those found in The Corner Office

Who are God's Elect? - They are those found in The Classroom

Who are God's Elect? - They are those found On the Battlefield

Who are God's Elect? - They are those found in The Darkened Haunts.

### Can I be a Bit more – Direct?

Those who are God's Elect - Are those being found On the Streets

Those who are God's Elect - Are those being found In Poverty

Those who are God's Elect - Are those being found Being Trafficked

Those who are God's Elect - Are those being found in Their Wealth & Fame

"But How Can We Know This Pastor Jack?"

"The Power of proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ is what throws God's Supernatural Light upon the kingdom of darkness wherever it is Preached."

### Luke 4:16-22a

So He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up. And as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day, and stood up to read. 17 And He was handed the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when He had opened the book, He found the place where it was written 18 "The Spirit of the LORD is upon Me, Because He has anointed Me To preach the gospel (Isaiah 61:1) to the poor; He has sent Me to heal the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to the captives And recovery of sight to the blind, To set at liberty those who are oppressed; 19 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD." 20 Then He closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant and sat down. And the eyes of all who were in the synagogue were fixed on Him. 21 And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture is fulfilled in your hearing." 22 So all bore witness to Him, and marveled at the gracious words which proceeded out of His mouth.

# Regarding the Election of God...

### Romans 10:14-15

How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? **15** And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: (Isaiah 52:7) "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, Who bring glad tidings of good things!"

### Luke 14:16-24

Then He said to him, "A certain man gave a great supper and invited many, 17 and sent his servant at supper time to say to those who were invited, "Come, for all things are now ready.'

18 But they all with one accord began to make excuses. The first said to him, "I have bought a piece of ground, and I must go and see it. I ask you to have me excused.' 19 And another said, "I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I am going to test them. I ask you to have me excused.'

20 Still another said, "I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' 21 So that servant came and reported these things to his master. Then the master of the house, being angry (provoked by disappointment), said to his servant, "Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in here the poor and the maimed and the lame and the blind.' 22 And the servant said, "Master, it is done as you commanded, and still there is room.' 23 Then the master said to the servant, "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. 24 For I say to you that none of those men who were invited shall taste my supper.'"

### Verse 33

### It is God who justifies. (the elect)

## Justifies grk: di'kai'oo

to show, display, exhibit to be righteous, to proclaim - declare one righteous, to be acquitted, vindicated having been expunged.

### 2 Corinthians 5:21

**21** For He (God the Father) made Him (God the Son) who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

(a deliberate reading of the passage in the reverse to highlight the point)

### 2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.,

# What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy When the fact is – your defense is in God's hands!

### 2b.) His death is now my death

vs. 34a

### Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died,

If we were to dial in to the "Frequency of the Spirit Realm" we would be very startled by the reality of what's happening.

### Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died,

Satan Does - That's who. And he is great at it.

# An Eschatological Doctrine is Before us.

During the coming 7 year tribulation period, there will be the witness of The 144,000 Hebrew evangelists, 12,000 from each of the 12 Tribes of Israel AND the witness of the Tribulation Saints, - All of These are **the Elect of God** also - - but for them, their days of ministry is that time of horrific suffering and global mayhem under the rule of the Antichrist.

These "Elect of God" will be those converted during those 7 years of Tribulation but must die for being a Christ follower.

### Revelation 12:10-12

Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. **11** And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. **12** Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time."

### Isaiah 50:8-9

**8** He is near who justifies Me; Who will contend with Me? Let us stand together. Who is My adversary? Let him come near Me. **9** Surely the Lord GOD will help Me; Who is he who will condemn Me?

### Colossians 3:1-7

If then you were raised with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ is, sitting at the right hand of God. 2 Set your mind on things above, not on things on the earth. 3 For you died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. 4 When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory. 5 Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6 Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, 7 in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.

Jack - how does this practically work in Real Life? { this is how - you preach this truth to yourself by the hour if needed }

"This attitude, this desire, this lust, this selfishness – is dead to me."

"Nope this is not me anymore" "I refuse to be the old me."

How is This Possible? - Because we have a new OS.

### Galatians 2:20

(step one) I have been crucified with Christ; (step two) it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; (step three) and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, (step four) who loved me and gave Himself for me.

### Galatians 5:24

And those who are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

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2c.) His life is now my life

vs. 34b

and furthermore is also risen,
Who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.

The Literal Foundation of Christianity is solely based upon Jesus Christ having been resurrected from the dead.

### 1 Corinthians 15:13-17

But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen. **14** And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching is empty and your faith is also empty. **15** Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up - if in fact the dead do not rise. **16** For if the dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. **17** And if Christ is not risen, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins!

#### John 14:19-21

"A little while longer and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you will live also. **20** At that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you. **21** He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him."

# What Are You Going To Do About Bible Prophecy?



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