



PREDESTINATION

1. Definition

- 'predestinate' means "to decree from eternity (any event, esp. the final salvation of individuals)",
- 'mark out' or 'determine', and 'beforehand', respectively.

2. Predestination

- Predestination is the destination that has been established by God before time began
- The destinations are heaven or hell
- These destinations have been predetermined and are fixed
- God determined for this to happen Jesus had to die – Acts 4:28, 1 Cor 2:7

3. Own will

- You have a free chose to choose which road to take
- Free chose is always ours – Deut 30:19, Heb 11:24-25, Rev 22:7, Lk 22:42

4. God foreknows all things

- God does not live in time and knows what will happen – Is 46:9-10, Acts 3:8

5. Sealing believers

- God sees the chooses that we will make and then because He knows the decision that we will make he writes our name in the book of life before he created the world – Rev 17:8
- The book is mentioned through the bible- Phil 4:3, Rev 20:15, Ex 32:32
- When you chose Jesus you get sealed – 2 Cor 1:22, Eph 1:13, Eph 4:30

6. Order of predestination

- God first foreknows which chose you will make – Rom 8:29
- God then set the 2 paths for you to follow – Rom 8:30, Eph 1:5,11
- God then leads us in this path - Ps 23:3, Pr 2:20,
- God keeps us in the path – Eph 4:30

7. Illustration of the order of predestination

- A simple analogy will illustrate the difference between God's predetermined purpose and man's free will.
- We are in a railway station and a train is scheduled to leave for Durban; this is predestination.
- Each individual can choose whether or not to get on the train and whether or not to leave the train before it reaches Durban; this is free will.
- If you get on the train God then secures your destination and will do everything to keep you on track.
- You can only change your direction by your own free chose and jump off the track

8. Summary

Predestination, Free will and God sealing believers all work at the same