

Ephesians 1v3-6 (p1173)

Understanding Predestination

The bible teaches predestination (v4, 5, 11)

(Acts 13:48, Romans 8:28ff, 1 Thess 1:4f, 2 Thess 2:13ff, 2 Tim 1:9, 1 Peter 1:1, Rev 13:8)

The basis of predestination: Sheer grace (v4-6)

The purpose of predestination: God's glory (v6)

Objections to predestination

"It denies free-will"

"It's unfair!"

Applying Predestination

A challenge and a comfort

Assurance

Humility

Activity

Holiness (Eph 1v4, Phil 2v12-13)

Prayer (Eph 1v15f)

Evangelism (2 Tim 2v10, Acts 18v9-11)

Perseverance (2 Thess v13-17)

Praise