

Chosen By God

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"But we are bound to give thanks always to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because **God has Chosen you from the beginning unto Salvation** in the sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth; unto which **He called you** through the Good-news (the Gospel), to the obtaining of the Glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, brethren, **stand fast**, and hold the traditions which you have been taught, whether through word, or through our letter. Now our **Lord Jesus Christ Himself**, and **God, even our Father**, who has loved us, and has given us **everlasting consolation** and good **Hope** through **Grace**." (2 Thessalonians 2:13-17)

God Has Chosen you: from the Greek words *Theos heilato hymas* which mean: **God has-chosen you**; that is God has chosen **those people** who have **been called**, and through faith in Jesus receive Salvation through the Lord Jesus, being sanctified in the Holy Spirit.

"Blessed be the **God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ**, who has blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly places **in Christ**; according **as He (the Father) chose us in Him (in Jesus)** before the foundation of the world, so that we should be **holy and blameless** before Him in love; having **predestinated** us unto the adoption of children **through Jesus Christ to Himself (the Father)**, according to the good pleasure **of His will**, To the praise of the glory of **His Grace**, wherein **He** has made us accepted in the Beloved (in Jesus); **in whom we have Redemption through His blood**, the **Forgiveness of sins**, according to **the riches of His Grace**." (Ephesians 1:3-7)

He Chose us: from the Greek words *exelegeto hemas* which mean: **he-chose us**; or **He-chose us**, that is in context: **God the Father chose us** in our Lord Jesus before the foundation of the world for redemption and forgiveness of sins!

In Him: from the Greek words *en auto* which mean: **in him**, or in context: **in Him**; that is **in our Lord Jesus Christ!**

"What shall we then say to these things? **If God is for us**, who can be against us? **He (the Father)** who did not spare **His own Son (Jesus)**, but delivered **Him up for us all**, how shall **He** not with **Him** also **freely give us all things**? Who shall lay anything to the charge **of God's Elect (His chosen believers)**? It is **God** who justifies. Who is he who condemns? It is **Christ who died**, and rather moreover, who **is Risen again**, who is **even at the Right Hand of God**, who also **makes intercession for us**. Who shall separate us **from the Love of Christ**? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, '*For Your sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter*' (Psalm 44:22). However, in all these things we are more than conquerors **through Him who loved us**." (Romans 8:31-39)

God's Elect: from the Greek words *eklekton Theou* which mean: **elect of God**, God's elect; or God's chosen-ones (in a plural sense).

However, before we were chosen by God, Jesus was Chosen by God; as it says:

"Then the Pharisees went out, and held a council **against Him (Jesus)**, how they might destroy **Him**. But when Jesus knew it, **He** withdrew Himself from there; and great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them all; and charged them that they should not make Him known; so that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying, '*Behold My Servant (Jesus), whom I have Chosen; My Beloved, in whom My soul is well pleased: I will put My Spirit upon Him, and He shall show justice to the Gentile-nations*' (Isaiah 42:1-4)." (Matthew 12:14-18)

The Father's Chosen Servant Jesus, has become His Chief Living Corner-stone, and has joined Himself with the Father in choosing believers in Christ Jesus; to be built up as living stones in His Spiritual House. Please consider the following:

"Therefore laying aside all malice, and all guile, and hypocrisies, and envies, and all evil speakings, as newborn babes, **desire** the sincere milk of the word, so that you may grow thereby; if indeed you have tasted **that the Lord (Jesus) is Gracious**. To **whom** coming, as unto **a Living Stone (Jesus)**, rejected indeed of men, **but Chosen of God**, and **precious**; you also, as living stones, are built up as a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. Therefore, also it is contained in the scripture, '*Behold, I lay in Zion **a Chosen Stone (Jesus)**; a **precious Cornerstone**; and he who **believes on Him** shall not be put-to-shame*' ([Isaiah 28:16](#)). Therefore, unto you who believe **this is precious**: but unto those who are disobedient, '*The Stone which the builders rejected, **the Same (stone)** is made the **Chief Corner-stone***' ([Psalm 118:22](#)). And, '*a **Stone of Stumbling**, and a **Rock of Offense***' ([Isaiah 8:14](#)); even to those who stumble at the word, being disobedient; unto which also they were appointed. But you (believers in Jesus) are **a Chosen Generation**, '*a Royal Priesthood, a Holy Nation*' ([Exodus 19:6](#)); a people unto (His own) possession that you should show forth the praises of Him who has called you out of darkness into His marvelous Light." ([1 Peter 2:1-9](#))

Jesus Has laid down His Life for His friends; whom He has chosen and ordained that they should go and bring forth fruit. And He reminds His chosen followers, that just as He, the Father's Beloved Chosen Servant was hated by the world; so will His chosen followers be likewise hated.

Jesus said, "Greater love has no man than this, **that a man lay down his life for his friends**. You are My friends, **if you do whatever I command you**. Henceforth I call you not servants; for the servant does not know what his Lord is doing; but I have called you friends; for all things that I have heard from My Father I have made known unto you. You have not chosen Me, but I have Chosen you, and Ordained you, that you should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain; so that whatever you shall ask of the Father **in My Name**, He may give it to you. These things I command you, **that you love one another**. If the world hates you, you know that it hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love its own; but because you are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hates you. Remember the word that I said unto you: the servant is not greater than his Lord. If they have persecuted **Me**, **they will also persecute you**; if they have kept **My saying**, they will keep yours also." ([John 15:13-20](#))

Jesus taught the people that Many are called, but Few are Chosen:

"Take what is yours, and go your way. I will give unto this last (worker), even as unto you. Is it not lawful for me to do what I will with mine own? Is your eye evil, because I am good? So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many are called, but few chosen." ([Matthew 20:14-16](#) see in context: the parable of the workers in the vineyard)

"And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man who did not have on a wedding garment; and he said unto him, 'Friend, how came you in here not having a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen." ([Matthew 22:11-14](#) see in context: the parable of the Wedding Feast)

Jesus also reminded the people saying, "Enter you in at the narrow gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in through it; because narrow is the gate, and difficult (or constricted) is the way, which leads unto Life, and there are few who find it." ([Matthew 7:13-14](#))

For the most part, God has chosen people who are weak, foolish, base, poor, despised, etc. Please consider the following:

"But we preach Christ Crucified, unto the Jews a stumbling-block, and unto the Greeks foolishness; but unto those who are called (and chosen), both Jews and Greeks, **Christ (is) the Power of God**, and the Wisdom of God. Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men. For you see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble. But **God has Chosen the foolish things** (us who believe) of the world to confound the wise; and God has **Chosen the weak things** (us who believe) of the world to confound the things which are mighty; **and base things** (us who believe) of the world, and things which **are despised** (us who believe), has God chosen!" ([1 Corinthians 1:23-28](#))

"My brethren, hold not the faith of **our Lord Jesus Christ, the Lord of Glory**, in partiality. For if there come unto your assembly a man with a gold ring, in fine apparel, and there come in also a poor man in shabby clothing; and you have partiality to him who wears the fine clothing, and say unto him, 'Sit you here in a good place;' but say to the poor, 'Stand you there, or sit here under my footstool;' are you not then partial in yourselves, and are become judges of evil thoughts? Listen, my beloved brethren, **Has not God Chosen the poor of this world rich in faith**, and heirs of the Kingdom which **He has promised to those who love Him**? But you have despised the poor." ([James 2:1-6](#))

Finally, please consider this Exhortation to the Elect Chosen People of God:

"Put on therefore, as the **Elect of God**, holy and beloved: tender mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, gentleness, long-suffering; forbearing one another, and forgiving one another. If any man has a quarrel against anyone, even as Christ forgave you, **so you do also**. And above all these things put on Love, which is the bond of perfectness. And let the Peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you are called in one body; and **be you thankful**. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord. And whatever you do in word or deed, **do all in the Name of the Lord Jesus**, giving **thanks to God**, even the Father, through Him." ([Colossians 3:12-17](#))

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Called and Chosen as His Elect !
Chosen from the beginning unto Salvation !
Chosen in Christ Jesus before the foundation of the world !
A Chosen Generation, a Holy Nation, a People of His own possession !
Chosen Living Stones, built up as a Spiritual House, and a Holy Priesthood !

Thank You Father Son and Holy Spirit for Choosing me as an Heir in Your Kingdom !
Thank You for giving me Everlasting Consolation and good Hope through Your Grace !

Jesus You are the Father's Beloved Chosen Servant, and my Lord of Glory !!
All Praise and Honor and Dominion are Yours Forever and Ever ! Amen !