

Romans 8:29-30
God's Elect Are Absolutely Secure
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God' Elect: Chosen Firstborn

Romans 8:29 For those whom He **foreknew**, He also **predestined** to become conformed to the image of His Son, so that He would be the **firstborn** among many brethren...

- **Foreknew** = O.T. "yada"

Gen. 4:1 Now Adam **knew** Eve his wife, and she conceived and bore Cain, saying, "I have gotten a man with the help of the LORD."

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The Security of the Golden Chain

Romans 8:30 and these whom He **predestined**, He also **called**; and these whom He called, He also **justified**; and these whom He justified, He also **glorified**.

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Applications

- We must know that the Bible does teach the doctrine of election.
- We must realize that the doctrine of election is designed to give glory to God and security to His people. It is not designed to give us a haughty attitude.
- We should know that being conformed to Christ's image means we will inherit a glorified body.

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The Doctrine of Election

Psalm 89:3 I have made a covenant with **My chosen**; I have sworn to David My servant...

Psalm 135:3-4 Praise the LORD, for the LORD is good; Sing praises to His name, for it is lovely. 4 For the LORD has **chosen Jacob** for Himself, Israel for His own possession.

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The Doctrine of Election

Matthew 24:24 For false Christs and false prophets will arise and will show great signs and wonders, so as to mislead, if possible, even **the elect**.

Matthew 13:11 Jesus answered them, "**To you it has been granted** to know the mysteries of the kingdom of heaven, but to them it has not been granted."

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The Doctrine of Election

2 Timothy 2:24-25 The Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach, patient when wronged, 25 with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps **God may grant them repentance** leading to the knowledge of the truth...

Acts 13:48 When the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord; **and as many as had been appointed to eternal life** believed.

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The Doctrine of Election

Romans 9:10-11 And not only this, but there was Rebekah also, when she had conceived twins by one man, our father Isaac; 11 for though the twins were not yet born and had not done anything good or bad, so that God's purpose according to His choice would stand, not because of works but because of Him who calls...

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Security – Not Haughtiness!

Ephesians 1:3-5 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 would be holy and blameless before Him. In love 5 **He predestined us to adoption as sons** through Jesus Christ to Himself, **according to the kind intention of His will...**

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Security – Not Haughtiness!

Romans 11:20-22 Quite right, they were broken off for their unbelief, but you stand by your faith. **Do not be conceited, but fear;** 21 for if God did not spare the natural branches, He will not spare you, either. 22 Behold then the kindness and severity of God; to those who fell, severity, but to you, God's kindness, if you continue in His kindness; otherwise you also will be cut off.

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We Will Inherit a Glorified Body

What does "being conformed to the image of His Son" mean?

Philippians 3:20-21 For our citizenship is in heaven, from which also we eagerly wait for a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ; 21 **who will transform the body of our humble state into conformity with the body of His glory**, by the exertion of the power that He has even to subject all things to Himself.

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