

## Foreknowledge and Predestination

“Foreknowledge” as seen in (1Peter 1:2)

“Election” as seen in (1Peter 1:2) and (Rom.11:5-6). Totally a work of grace.

“Predestination” as seen in (Rom. 8:29-30).

Dr. C. I. Scofield - the divine order is foreknowledge, election, and predestination.

The fact that foreknowledge determines election or choice is clear from (1Pet.1:2), and predestination is the bringing to pass of the election.

Election looks back to foreknowledge: predestination forward to the destiny.

## The Foreknowledge of God

God is Omniscient:

a. The word means “All Knowledge,” “all knowing.” God is perfect in knowledge. He knows everything (Job 37:16).

b. God knows everything about the world and nature. He made them (Isa. 40:12, 15, 28; Matt. 10:29)

c. God knows everything about man. (Matt. 10:30) (Psa.94:11)

God’s Foreknowledge and Man’s Freewill:

Perfection of foreknowledge (knows before) belongs to God, and He has a clear complete knowledge of all events before they occur.

Since God knows everything from the beginning. He knew from the beginning who would exercise free will and choose His plan of redemption. He also foreknew all who would exercise free will and refuse His plan of redemption

\*There should be no objection to the “election” of those who believe and not electing those who He knew would not believe.

Note “elect” according to the foreknowledge of God.” (1Pet.1:2).

God knows in advance, that all will not come. (Isa.55:1; 6).

Foreknowledge is an attribute of God. - Foreknowledge belongs to Him.

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## Predestination

“Pre” means “before” And “destined” means “destiny.”

Predestination means to “determine beforehand” the eternal destiny of individuals and events.

God directed and purposed all history toward one moment in time.  
(Galatians 4:4).

The climax of the plan of God can be seen in the cross and resurrection. All had been prophesied (Psa.16:; Psa.22; Isa.53)

The Sovereign Purpose of God - Roman 8:29)

“He foreknew.” His “foreknowledge ” concerns the “chosen, elect” — those “whosoever wills.” We are elected to be His because we have accepted His plan of redemption in Christ, and that is exercising our “free will.”

“Whom He did foreknow ...

“He did predestinate.” To What?

“To be conformed to the image of His Son.” (Rom.8:29).

We are predestined to become more like Jesus!