

The Greatest Letter Ever Written!

Ro 8:28–30

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Eph 1:5 "In love He predestined us for adoption as His sons through Jesus Christ, according to the good pleasure of His will"

Not all are predestined so not all are loved this way.

Ro 5:1 "Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."

Since not all men are justified then not all men have faith, thus faith must be given. 2 Cor 4:4-6 "4 In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. 5 For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. 6 For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ."

2 Thes 2:13 "But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth. To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ."

Matt 11:25-27

"At that time Jesus declared, "I thank you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and understanding and revealed them to little children; 26 yes, Father, for such was your gracious will. 27 All things have been handed over to me by my Father, and no one knows the Son except the Father, and no one knows the Father except the Son and anyone to whom the Son chooses to reveal him.

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Ro 6:22

"But now having been freed from sin and enslaved to God, you derive your benefit, resulting in <u>sanctification, and the</u> <u>outcome, eternal life</u>." Gal 5:21 "I warn you, as I warned you before, that those who do such things will not inherit the kingdom of God."

1 Cor 6:9-11 "Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, 10 nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you."

Phil 1:6 "For I am confident of this very thing, that He who began a good work in you will perfect it until the day of Christ Jesus."

Phil 2:12-13 "Work out your salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, both to will and to work for His good pleasure."

1 Cor 15:10 "But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me did not prove vain; but I labored even more than all of them, yet not I, but the grace of God with me."

2 Cor 3:18

"But we all, with unveiled face, <u>beholding</u> as in a mirror <u>the glory of the Lord</u>, are being transformed into the same image <u>from glory to glory</u>, just as from the Lord, the Spirit."

1 Jhn 3:2-3

"Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. 3 And <u>everyone who thus</u> <u>hopes in him purifies himself as he is</u> <u>pure</u>."

Phil 3:8-15 "For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— 10 that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead.

12 Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. 13 Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you."