

ELECTION

1. All members of the human race are *potentially* elected by unlimited atonement. Jesus Christ is elected from the eternal ages past ([Isaiah 42:1](#); [I Peter 2:6](#), [Ephesians 1:4](#), [II Thessalonians 2:13](#); [I Peter 1:2](#)).
 - a. Definition of Election: The sovereign act of God whereby for His Own glory, and through His Own grace, He elected the Son to go to the cross ([Acts 2:22-24](#)), and also elected mankind to be saved.
 - b. God is satisfied with the Son ([I Peter 2:6](#)).
 - c. Jesus is elected, selected by the Father; this election took place before man existed ([Ephesians 1:4](#), [II Thessalonians 2:13](#), [I Peter 1:2](#)).
2. This election is both the present and the future possession of every born-again believer ([Col. 3:12](#)).
3. Every believer shares in the election of Christ ([Romans 8:28-33](#)). Because of the Cross, and because of our acceptance of Christ, we have positional sanctification, and share a union with Christ. Since we share the *election* of Christ, we share the *destination* of Christ. Therefore we have the promise in [Romans 8:28](#).
4. Election takes place at the moment of salvation ([I Cor. 1:9](#), [23-28](#); [II Thess. 2:13](#); [I Timothy 1:9](#)).
5. Election is the foundation of the Church ([I Thess. 1:4](#) – *born again*).
6. Election has a purpose in time. *Why are we in union with Christ and left on this earth?* Because of God's purpose in time for our election ([Gal. 1:15](#); [Eph. 1:4](#); [Gal. 5:8](#)). Because in His absence, every person born into God's Kingdom represents the Lord Jesus Christ during the time of His absence.

We as believers are God's witnesses; we are His representation. Note [John 17:2](#), [6](#), [9-12](#), [24](#), where we can see that God has presented us as a gift to the Lord Jesus Christ, His Son.