

Portland Area Bible Students

Topical Study - Called - Chosen - Faithful - August / September / October - 2026

This topic is about being called, being chosen and being faithful.

References:

R2940 - "WITH HIM--CALLED AND CHOSEN AND FAITHFUL"

Note: The above is an early article (1902) with older thoughts on justification that were refined later on.

R4679 - "MANY ARE CALLED BUT FEW ARE CHOSEN"

Also: C212-216; F90-96

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CHOSEN

What transpires between being called and up to being chosen? Consider:

John 6:44 "*No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him...*"

Luke 14:28 "... *counteth the cost, whether he have sufficient to finish it ...* "

Others?

Is there a form of justification during this period?

What does being chosen mean, what happens then?

Why would someone not be chosen, even after accepting the call?

Testimony Question: (If time permits)

Was there a particular experience or awareness where you knew you had been chosen?

If no such experience, what evidence do you have now of having been chosen?

Scriptures referencing "Chosen"

Mat_20:16 So the last shall be first, and the first last: for many be called, **but few chosen**.

Mat_22:14 For many are called, **but few are chosen**.

Mar_13:20 And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved: but for the elect's sake, **whom he hath chosen**, he hath shortened the days.

Joh_15:16 Ye have not chosen me, **but I have chosen you**, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should remain: that whatsoever ye shall ask of the Father in my name, he may give it you.

Joh_15:19 If ye were of the world, the world would love his own: but because ye are not of the world, **but I have chosen you** out of the world, therefore the world hateth you.

Act_9:15 But the Lord said unto him, Go thy way: **for he is a chosen vessel unto me**, to bear my name before the Gentiles, and kings, and the children of Israel:

1Co_1:27 But **God hath chosen the foolish things** of the world to confound the wise; and **God hath chosen the weak things** of the world to confound the things which are mighty;

1Co_1:28 And base things of the world, and **things which are despised, hath God chosen**, yea, and things which are not, to bring to nought things that are:

Eph_1:4 According as **he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world**, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love:

2Th_2:13 But we are bound to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because **God hath from the beginning chosen you to salvation** through sanctification of the Spirit and belief of the truth:

2Ti_2:4 No man that warreth entangleth himself with the affairs of this life; **that he may please him who hath chosen him** to be a soldier.

Jas_2:5 Hearken, my beloved brethren, **Hath not God chosen the poor of this world rich in faith**, and heirs of the kingdom which he hath promised to them that love him?

1Pe_2:4 To whom coming, as unto a living stone, disallowed indeed of men, but **chosen of God, and precious**,

1Pe_2:9 But **ye are a chosen generation**, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light:

Rev_17:14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, **and chosen**, and faithful.

Scriptures referencing "Elect"

Mat_24:22 And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: **but for the elect's sake** those days shall be shortened.

Mat_24:24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, **if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect**.

Mat_24:31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they **shall gather together his elect** from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

Luk_18:7 And **shall not God avenge his own elect**, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?

Rom_8:33 **Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect?** It is God that justifieth.

Col_3:12 Put on therefore, **as the elect of God**, holy and beloved, bowels of mercies, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering;

2Ti_2:10 Therefore **I endure all things for the elect's sakes**, that they may also obtain the salvation which is in Christ Jesus with eternal glory.

Tit_1:1 Paul, a servant of God, and an apostle of Jesus Christ, **according to the faith of God's elect**, and the acknowledging of the truth which is after godliness;

1Pe_1:2 **Elect according to the foreknowledge of God** the Father, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied.

1Pe_2:6 Wherefore also it is contained in the scripture, Behold, I lay in Sion **a chief corner stone, elect, precious**: and he that believeth on him shall not be confounded.

Scriptures referencing "Election"

Rom_11:5 Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to **the election of grace**.

Rom_11:7 ... Israel hath not obtained that which he seeketh for; **but the election hath obtained it**, and the rest were blinded

1Th_1:4 Knowing, brethren beloved, your election of God.

2Pe_1:10 Wherefore ..., brethren, give diligence to make your calling **and election sure**: for if ye do these things, ye shall never fall: