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Systematic Theology

Soteriology: The Doctrine of Salvation

Last Week...

**III. WHAT ARE THE FIVE POINTS OF CALVINISM?**

Calvinism gets its name from the Protestant reformer John Calvin.

Born in France in 1509, he originally pursued a career as a lawyer. In

1533 while still a Roman Catholic, he read several of Martin Luther’s

sermons and started on the road to Protestantism. The record of his

conversion to Christ is unclear and he still showed actions of

involvement in the Roman system. In 1536, he published his first

addition of *Institutes of the Christian Religion.* Much of what he

believed and taught came from the writings of Augustine who lived

from 354 to 430 AD. Augustine taught and formulated many of

Rome’s heretical doctrines including infant baptism, no salvation

outside the Catholic church, the sinlessness of Mary and so on.

Twenty-five years after Calvin died, Reformers got together for a

Synod in Dort, Netherlands verifying the main doctrines of the

Reformed Church which included the five points which were in

opposition to Arminianism. It became an acronym - T.U.L.I.P.

**A. TOTAL DEPRAVITY (INABILITY)**

This Week...

**B**. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

We saw the erroneous teaching that man is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to

come to Christ for salvation. So, in this one they say that God has

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ that some will be

saved without any \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to be met on their part and

others will not be saved because He has not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ them.

John Calvin said:

*“All* *are* *not* *created* *on* *equal* *terms,* *but* *some* *are* *preordained* *to* *eternal* *life,* *others* *to* *eternal* *damnation;* *and,* *accordingly,* *as* *each* *has* *been* *created* *for* *one* *or* *other* *of* *those* *ends,* *we* *say* *that* *he* *has* *been* *predestined* *to* *life* *or* *death.”*

There is no “beating around the bush” on this one! The

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ here makes the Lord \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, a God Who

plays \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_! The Bible truth is that there is a

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for salvation-individuals must put their faith in

Christ and His \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ work. Man must decide to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and trust in Christ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ resulting in the new \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ just as our lord informed Nicodemus. We must

beware of the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of words and/or their meanings by

those who have an agenda promoting \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

Whosoever means just that! If it meant the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, then

the penman used by the Holy Spirit would have used that specific

word. “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_” in the Greek is *pas* which is

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ all most of the time. Also, “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_”

(*Kosmos*) is redefined to mean “the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.” Beware! *1 Jn*

*4:16* is very clear about God’s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_! How can we as

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ love others as the Lord wants us to when He does

not \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ everyone? *Eph 2:4-9*

**C. \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

Five-point Calvinists will tell you that Christ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ died

for the elect. Because to them, it would be a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for

Him to die for those not elected to eternal life! See *1 Jn 2:2*. “the

whole \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.” *Heb 2:9* - “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ man.” *1 Tim*

*2:6* - “a ransom for \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.” *Jn 1:29* - “the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.”

*Isa 53:6* - “all.” *2 Cor 5:14-15* - “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.” *Rom 5:6-8* - Who are

the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? Who are the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_? *Rom 3:23*

R.C. Sproul stated: “The world for whom Christ died cannot mean

the entire \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ family. It must refer to the universality

of the elect (people from every tribe and \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_).” So,

again, the world is not the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_! What about *Mk*

*16:15*? *Lk 19:10*? *1 Tim 1:15*? The Calvinist will argue that Christ

could not have shed His blood for non-\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, for that

would have been a waste of His \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. They also say

that Christ died for all “\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ of men.” Again, they

must resort to redefining words and phrases to fit their position. God

help us to take the words of Scripture as they are written in the

Preserved, Infallible, Inerrant, Inspired Word of God! *2 Pt 3:16*