



AUGUST 21- 27 [WEEK 34]
FRIDAY, AUGUST 21 [DAY166]

Effectual Calling

READ: Romans 8:29-30

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THINK ABOUT IT: Where does our belief fit into the process of salvation?

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READ: 1 Thessalonians 2:13

And we also thank God continually because, when you received the word of God, which you heard from us, you accepted it not as a human word, but as it actually is, the word of God, which is indeed at work in you who believe.

THINK DEEPER: What does the Word of God at work in us do?



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MONDAY, AUGUST 24 [DAY167]

Irresistible Grace

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What then shall we say? Is God unjust? Not at all! For he says to Moses,

*"I will have mercy on whom I have mercy,
and I will have compassion on whom I have compassion."*

It does not, therefore, depend on human desire or effort, but on God's mercy.¹⁷ For Scripture says to Pharaoh: "I raised you up for this very purpose, that I might display my power in you and that my name might be proclaimed in all the earth."¹⁸ Therefore God has mercy on whom he wants to have mercy, and he hardens whom he wants to harden.

THINK DEEPER: Can we reject God's offer of grace?

DAILY
DOCTRINE

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 25 [DAY168]

 Regeneration

READ: 2 Corinthians 5:17-18

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation:

THINK ABOUT IT: How are we made new?

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READ: Ephesians 2:4-5

But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

THINK DEEPER: Who initiates the process of salvation?

DAILY
DOCTRINE

AUGUST 21- 27 [WEEK 34]
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26 [DAY169]

 Monergism

READ: Romans 5:8

⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

READ: 1 John 4:10

This is love: not that we loved God, but that he loved us and sent his Son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.

THINK ABOUT IT: Who made the first move?

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READ: Colossians 2:13-14

When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, ¹⁴ having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.

THINK DEEPER: Who does the work salvation?



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THURSDAY, AUGUST 27 [DAY170]



Conversion

READ: Acts 15:3

³ The church sent them on their way, and as they traveled through Phoenicia and Samaria, they told how the Gentiles had been converted.

THINK ABOUT IT: What does it mean to be “converted?”

READ: DD-170

READ: Romans 12:1-2

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

THINK DEEPER: How does real change take place?