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I. Divine Election Explained & Illustrated (6-13)

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1. Scripture teaches that God justly selects some to whom He shows mercy (15-16).

2. Scripture teaches that God justly passes by others to whom He shows justice (17-18).

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1. A Second Common Objection to Election (19)

- "You teach God decides who gets mercy and whom He hardens (19a)."
- "Then, it is God's will that determines our destiny (19c)."
- "That means God has no right to blame or judge us (19b)."

2. An Answer about Free Will (20-23)

a. An Understanding of the Question

Man's Free Will?

- The real question: To what extent is man's will affected by original sin? Or, does man have a free will?
- Will is that faculty of the soul that makes choices.
- Free
 - Freedom of Self-determination

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b. A Biblical Perspective on Man's Free Will

- Man's will is free to make real choices in keeping with his desires.
- Man's will is not free from his own depravity.

c. A Biblical Apologetic for God's Free Will (20-23)

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c. A Biblical Apologetic for God's Free Will (20-23)

- i) To those who sinfully question God's right to election (20-21)
 - You have no right to question the right of God to make that decision.
- ii) To those who humbly question God's reasons for election (22-23)
 - God's reasons for election and reprobation have to do with putting His character on display.