

# SALVATION BEHIND THE SCENES

Pastor Stephen Baker. Sunday, February 11, 2024.

The Gospel / Foreknowledge; Foreordination / Acts 15:18

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## Introduction: God's Foreknowledge

### 1. God knows everything.

*Summary: God knows A, B, C, and X, Y, Z. (These variables represent infinite knowledge).*

### 2. God knows what people would do given certain circumstances.

*Summary: God knows that if A. were to happen, man would choose B. He also knows that if X. were to happen, man would choose Y.*

### 3. God foreordains based on His knowledge.

*Summary: God knows A, B, C, and X, Y, Z. God knows that if A. were to happen, man would choose B. Therefore, God ordains A. to happen so that man will choose B.*

### 4. Human choice must be maintained.

*Summary: As a result of God's grace, man can choose between A or B.*

### 5. Not everyone can believe.

*Summary: If person X believes Y, then person X cannot believe G. Person X must change his thinking about Y to believe G.*

### 6. God not only sovereignly ordains that the gospel will be preached to the world, but He ordains that some will believe it.

*Summary: God knows that if person A heard the gospel in circumstance B, he or she would choose to believe it. Therefore, God ordains person A to hear the gospel in circumstance B. God also ordains that person A will believe. This makes salvation certain not only by God's foreknowledge but also by His decree or foreordination.*

## 7. Summary: Doctrinal Statement

**God knows who would believe in Christ if they were to hear the gospel and could believe it and therefore, He foreordains that they both hear the gospel and believe it. They will hear the gospel and be saved. It is certain because God knows it and has decreed it.**

## LOOKING FORWARD:

**For this Wednesday** – Join us at 7PM in the Christian Life Center for coffee and Bible study!

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