All Sovereign for Good, Pt. 2 Predestination

Foreknow ≠ "for-see" Foreknow = "fore-love"

Eph 1:4-5 – He chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world... in love He predestined us to adoption as sons...

"foreknowing" = "election / choosing"

Unbreakable Chain

1) God Foreknew (chose to love)

2) God Predestined

"prohoridzo" - pro (before) + horidzo (to set a horizon, to mark off a boundary)...

Acts 17:26, that God made from one man every nation of mankind to live on the face of the earth, <u>having</u> <u>determined</u> allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place...

a) WHAT has He destined us to?

Conformity – *synmorphos*

• Morphe vs. Schema

Philippians 2:6-8 – who, though he was in the **morphe** of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the **morphe** of a servant, being born in the likeness of men, and being found in human **schema**, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

• Future and Present

Phil 3:20-21 1 John 3:2

Gal 2:20 2 Cor 3:18 Col 3:9-10 Gal 4:19

- b) WHY has He destined us?
 - 1. For our good v. 28
 - 2. For the Son's glory v. 29
 - o Jesus will have brothers
 - o Jesus will have the place of "firstborn"

Col 1:15-18

• Jesus will have MANY brothers