

Systematic Theology session 39  
Redeemed, Part 8

- The *ordo salutis* (order of salvation):
  - 0: Election
  - 1a: Effectual call
  - 1b: Regeneration
  - 2a: Repentance unto life
  - 2b: Faith in Jesus Christ
  - 3a: Justification
  - 3b: Definitive sanctification
  - 3c: Adoption
  - 4a: Progressive sanctification
  - 4b: Perseverance in holiness
- The effectual call.
  - The general call of the gospel as universal, but the effectual call as being given to the elect.
    - The parable of the wedding feast: “Many are called, but few are chosen” (Matthew 22:14).
    - The marks of those who are true Christians as called, chosen, and faithful (Revelation 17:14).
      - The mark of being “chosen” as divine election that occurred before the foundation of the world.
      - The mark of being “called” as the internal, effectual call God grants to the elect.
      - The mark of being “faithful” as progressive sanctification and perseverance that God grants to His own.
  - The three qualities of the effectual call.
    - The internal nature of the effectual call.
      - The external call of the gospel announcement as preparation for the internal call of the effectual call.
      - The necessity of the external call of the gospel; the fact that the effectual call is not disconnected from the call of the gospel.
      - The necessity of the gospel, since saving faith must have an object (Acts 4:12).
        - The possible exception being infants who die in infancy, and those who are mentally incapable of understanding the gospel.
    - The effective nature of the effectual call.
      - The effectual call as being an internal summons that cannot be resisted (Acts 13:48, John 6:44, 1 Peter 1:1-2).
      - The effectual call as being part of Irresistible Grace, the “I” in the acronym TULIP.
    - The immutable nature of the effectual call.
      - The effectual call as a call that is not subject to change (Romans 11:29).
      - The immutability of the effectual call as based on the faithfulness of God (2 Corinthians 1:16-20, 1 Corinthians 1:8-9).
      - The immutability of the effectual call as based on God’s eternal and immutable purpose (2 Timothy 1:8-9, Ephesians 3:7-13).