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ROMANS - LESSON #17 PREDESTINATION - BOUND FOR HEAVEN OR HELL? Romans 8: 29-39

....their lives could just be filled with power, with dynamite, if they DARED to believe what God says. If they DARED to believe, just Rom. 8, their lives would be changed and the long years of struggle; of research; I was in a dark tunnel, going into a dark tunnel when we write a dissertation in theology, because we don't know whether it'll be accepted by the faculty. You have to write on a subject that's never been written on. Your research has to be an ortginal. Then you meet before the faculty committee and they just drill you on everything. You don't know whether you'll pass your language exams or not. You don't know whether you can pass your entrance, or orals, or not. So we call it living in a dark tunnel and I was in that tunnel and I didn't know whether I'd be flunked out and NEVER get my degree or not. More than half the people flunked out:

I found in the midst of this the greatest comfort that came to my heart! It was the teaching of Rom. 8. That God is in the darkest of tunnels and He's there, whether we even know it or not! If we belong to Him. We have to believe this, friends, we have to believe it! This is our lesson today. All right, Romans 8. Verses 29 and 30, we have the FIVE GOLDEN CHAINS, I would call it, OF SALVATION. Or to make it even plainer, we have the five mighty acts of God by which He will bring us to be like Jes. These acts of God begin in Eternity (two of them in Eternity) two of them is in Time and then another one is in Eternity. Two of them is in Eternity Future!

And yet, all of this is stated in the past tense. It says we have already been glorified, in other words. You see, we think in time space catagory. That which God purposes has already come to pass, as far as He's concerned. Do you realize if you're a child of God today, you're just as sure of Heaven as you know that Jes. is there. Just as sure of glorification as is He, has been glorified. God often places that which is to occur in the future in the past tense. It's what we call 'the prophetic past'. In Isa. 53: 5, for instance (read) this was seven hundred years before the cross, Isa. says that Jes. WAS wounded for our transgressions. He WAS bruised for our iniquities. That was seven hundred years before the nails were driven in His flesh:

That's the kind of God we have. And that's one of our problems - we tend to try to bring God down to where we are and put Him in space and time. We know something after it happens; God knows it before! God knows ALL things from the beginning to the end and His plan of Salvation is completed and perfect. So there are Five Chains in this Golden Chain of Salvation, which God Himself performs, to bring us to glorification or to make us like Jesus.

V. 29 (read) 'whom He did foreknow' - now let's stop right there. The first word is

FIRST WORD: FOREKNOW. Whom did He foreknow? Notice, it is a personal - 'for whom He did foreknow'. Whom did He foreknow? He knew His children. He knew us before we were ever born in the flesh. He knew us before we were Born Again. There's nothing hidden from Him. He knew! He had a very personal acquaintance with us, as a matter of fact. You say 'well, I don't understand this 'before I was ever born'! Well, I don't either, but it's true! It's not just pre-knowledge; it's pre-acquaintance with us, even! When did He know us? We can't even date it. At the foundtiof the world? No. Long before the world was created from Eternal ages, He knew it. He knew it!

He knew His children. He knew everything about them. Pre-acquaintance! 'For whom He did foreknow' = that is a past tense. Now the question people ask often is: the fact that He foreknew us does not mean that he predestinated us - contrary to any choice of our own, that we might be His children. We'll come to that in the next phrase, when He describes what predestination is. Many have thought that predestination is a predestination to hell. Nowhere does the Bible ever say that! Predestination ALWAYS refers to the Family of God but it doesn't even say in Scripture that the predestination is to Heaven. We'll see this in the next phrase.

In the Scrip., you have the complete Sovereignity of God set forth on the one hand. Then you have on the other hand the responsibility of man. In one sense, they're irreconcilable in our mind and yet, they are surely taught in the Scrip. Turn to 1 Pet. 1: 2 (read) I think I need to pause here for just a few moments. The New American Standard VErsion says 'elect (or chosen) according to the foreknowledge of God, the Father, through sanctification of the H. S.

that you may obey Jes. and be sprinkled with His blood' and that's the correct translation! Which indicates Gods foreknowledge, indeed, of His people and His election of them, but it indicates their personal response. In Eph. 1: 4 (read) Paul is definite in saying that 'we are chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world'. You and I were chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world. Now the Script. does not say that we were chosen before the foundation of the world - and this is important - the Script. says that we are chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world.

Ten times in this first chapter, we have 'in Christ'. So in Eph. 1: 4 it says we are chosen IN christ before the foundation of the world, but look down at V. 13 (read) 'in whom ye also trusted (he's talking about the same people) after that ye heard the Word of Truth, the Gospel of your salvation, in whom also after ye believed, ye were sealed with that H. S. of promise'. Chosen and yet they heard the Gospel; they believed: They heard the Truth and they received the H. S. personally into their hearts. It's very interesting that Peter says 'elect, according to the foreknowledge of God' and yet, it was Peter who preached on the Day of Pentecosst, and when he preached, he gave an invitation. Just like we do in our Baptist churches today and some of your churches do this too.

Though he believed elect according to the foreknowledge of God, he says in Acts 2: 38(read) and then Acts 2: 41 (read) they that gladly received the Word (indicating their personal responsere baptized and three thousand were added to the church that day! I grew up in the very center of Primitive Baptistism. N. Carolina is headquarters of the Primitive Baptist church. They're strict Calvinists. They taught salvation by grace through faith, just like our Southern Bapt. churches did, but they said 'you don't have a S. S.; you don't have a revival; you don't ever talk to a person about being saved'. Now I think these XXX sincere people simply went to an extreme and did not balance the Sovereignity of God with the free will of God!

Now this much is true, friends, and we need to realize this: God took the initiative in our salvation - not we, ourselves. And He chose us before we could ever choose Him. 1 John 4: 19 (read) 'we love Him because He first loved us'. He called us - the initiative is ALWAYS

with Him and that's where our security is. It's not with us. Never in the beginning. It's in His hands from beginning to end! Harry Ironside relates the story of a man who gave a wonderful testimony of how he was saved and there was a legalistidistening and he said 'well, now you tell what - you tell Gods part but you don't tell your part'. And he said 'please excuse me, forgive me - my part was that I was wandering from God, just as hard as I could and Gods part was that He finally overtook me'. Did you know the Bible teaches that?

Somebody asked the question 'have you found the Lord?! and the man said 'well, I didn't know the Lord was lost!! But I was and He found me and I was gloriously saved!' If you've been saved, it's because the Lord reached out, in His initiative, in His grace and spoke to your heart. I've heard it preached many times in our churches you can be saved any time you want to. Bible doesn't teach that! We can actually cut across the line where we can't even be saved, according to the Script. Isn't it marvelous to know that God did not think up the cross when Adam sinned. The Cross has ALWAYS been in the mind of God; His wonderful plan of salvation has always been in His heart, even before the world began, He was Redeemer before He was Creator!

And you and I can't conceive of this but yet, we MUST believe it if we believe the Script. We do not read in Script. that God forces anyone to believe, even though he foreknew them. We do not read that in Script. We read that He chose us and we read that He comes to us with the call - we'll look at this in a few minutes. Some receive and some do not. So the first chain is this Foreknowledge. Now in the second place - let me put this on the board -- the word 'foreknowledge' or 'foreknew' is the word 'pro-nosis' - that's the Greek word. 'Pro' means 'before'; 'nosis' means 'knowledge'. Now we come to another word here and this is really a word that's troubled a lot of people.

SECOND WORD: PREDESTINATE. 'for whom He did foreknow, He also did predestinate the word predestinate is the Greek word 'pro-horetso'(?) you've got your word 'before' and
you've got this verb 'to mark off' or 'to fence in'. For whom He did foreknow, He also did
'mark off' or 'put a fence around them'. That fence is Jes. But what did He destinate or mark

them off for? To be conformed to the image of His Son. Nowhere does the Bible say that God even predestinates one to Heaven. It's implied here, of course. But in specifics, it says that he predestinated those He foreknew, as His children, that they would be conformed to the image of His Son. That is, that they would be like Jesus. So what is predestination? It's that ETERNAL purpose and Plan of God whereby He determined from Eternal ages that everyone who received His Son, would one day, be conformed to His image and nothing could stop that process.

Last part of V. 29 'that He might be the firstborn among many brethren'. Who's He? Jesus. The Firstborn. That's the word 'protococus'(?) which refers to the total glorification and resurrection of Jes. He was the first one of this tremendous family with redeemed bodies, but not the last. Every child of God is gonna be a part of this tremendous family; He's the elder brother and He's gonna have many millions of brothers and sisters in that great family of God which God purposed from Eternal Ages. You know it's a good thing to think this way. You know the way we think is the way we live!

My feeling about myself is exactly the way that I live. If you have a low mage of yourself, you're not gonna do anything much! Oh, we shouldn't be haughty, but we should have a healthy image of ourselves. We look at ourselves; we'll all blunder; we'all make our mistakes.

We're full of blunders but a good way to look at ourselves is to look at/the way Jes. does. He looks at us as we are Manay Manay going to be. You and I are gonna be glorified WNAN one day and be like Him. Man, that's worth! You can build a life on that kind of theology.

Don't get upset with your blunders today. Keep your eyes upon the goal out yonder. He has predestineded He has fenced off, marked out, His people to be like Jes. He, the elder brother, we, the redeemed family. Now notice in

V. 30 (read) now here's where you and I get into the act. The first two are Eternal: Fore-knowledge; Predestination is Eternal. That's in Eternity past. But now he comes into history where we are. Here's where the H. S. gets into the act. Those He did predestinate, that He marked out, He called: Now He calls everyone, but often it's no more than an outward call.

Just the outward call. Maybe hearing a sermon; Jes. talks about this all the time in His parables. It doesn't get into the heart. But then there are those who receive that inward call. And they have to respond. Now faith and grace and all of it is a gift of God butxwe whether we want to admit it or not. And here's a mystery. We're required to respond and yet we can't respond without He gives us that grace and works in our hearts, through the H. S.

That is the outward call to all but then there's that inward call which indeed, we receive the Gospel, we bow before Jes. receive Him as Savior and Lord. The outward call - many people just receive the outward call and they join the visible church. They're not saved; they don't join Christ. But those who receive the inward call become a real part of the body of Christ - the invisible church - and they'll join the invisible church and the visible church should be made axxxx up of regenerate people but many times, it's not and nobody in the world can say.

The Bible teaches assurance but you can't look at me and tell definitely whether I'm saved or not and I can't look at you. We can be tremendously deceived. Many people who live this life, will think they're saved and they're not saved and some we think are not saved will be saved!

This is all in the great mystery of God. But whom He called, them He also justified - what does that mean? Well, we don't need to spend time on that; we've beentalking about that for several months. But justification is the act where by God makes an ungodly man perfect in His sight, even while he's ungodly. You say 'does God do that?' That's EXACTLY what He does!

You say well where does regeneration come? That comes after justification. I've got to trust Christ; I've got to trust His blood and what He has done for me before the H. S. will ever enter my life and begin the regenerative, sanctifying work of Grace in my life! You see, many schools of theology are missing it because they don't begin with the first building stone. If you do not begin with the building stone of justification, you will have a humanistic, subjectivistic doctrine that will fall to pieces on you. We begin by trusting Jes. And trusting Him and Him alone! And when we do, the H. S. comes in but simply by trusting Jes. in all of our unworthiness, and you see, we're ungodly!

You see, our goodness is ungodliness in the sight of Jes and once again, we have to be thinking in Divine catagories and not human catagories. Human goodness is as bad in the sight of God, as human goodness, when it comes to saving us and compared to the Holiness of God: There's nothing in us that can save us or that's acceptable to God at all: Except - the only thing that impresses God is Jes.! We need to know this. So we begin with this conviction of our total lossness and there's no hope at all of being accepted with God, except we trust Christ, but when we do, the very righteousness of Jes. is accounted to us, until we, though ungodly and when I say ungodly, I do not mean that you've committed adultery, necessarily, or robbed a bank!

I just mean in our natures we are ungodly. And we have to have this substitute of Christ and when we do, God looks upon ungodly men as being as perfect as Christ. The H. S. enters and then we become new creatures and the sanctifying work of the Spirit of God begin to take place in our life and it will NEVER take place until we are justified. 'Whom He called, them He also justified and whom He justified, they He also glorified'. Now did He lose anybody along the way? You notice, He knew them, He foreknew. And those He knew, every one He foreknew, He predestinated and everyone that He predestinated, He called and everyone He called, He justified and everyone He justified, He also glorified'. Anybody lost? Didn't lose a one!

Why didn't He? BEcause He's in charge. You say 'well, listen, now, I believe we're saved by the Grace of God but now can't something happen along the way that we can get out of this? And just go back and renounce it?' Not according to this. Not according to this! Jes. says in John 10: 28 (read) 'they shall not, never, (under any circumstance the Greek says) perish:! Neither shall any man pluck them out of My hand. My Father who gaveth them is greater than I and no man can pluck them out of My Fathers hand'. I was talking to a brother and he said 'well, I believe this, (I quoted this Script. to him) but he said 'it's certainly true that no man can pluck me out of the Fathers hand, but I could pluck myself'. I said 'did you hear what I just quoted?' He said 'no man'. I said 'aren't you a man?'

That includes us. It is a totally airtight statement! Those He foreknew, the same number He predestinated to be conformed to the image of His Son and those He predestinated, He called; and those He called, He also justified; and those He justified, He also glorified! MY, what does that mean? That's when we're made like Jes. That's the predestined purpose of God! For every one of us and it's going to come to pass. What does it mean to be glorified? Like jes.? What does it mean? Well, the first thing we think of is our bodies. And It does include that. The body of Jes. was glorified - absolutely!

It was not subject to space or time - it could submit to it. The body of Jes. was so flexible, it could eat fish and did. And we'll be able to eat fish, but He didn't have to eat it. And He travelled at the speed of thought, not of sound. You and I are gonna have the same kind of body. Now our bodies today are the Temples of the H. S. because when we're justified, the H. S. comes in (1Cor. 6: 19 (read)) and John 14:16 (read) and Phil. 3: 21 (read) weak, subject to death. but one day our bodies - you say 'what bodies'? This body. Say 'well, that's gonna go in the cemetery or maybe an animal will eat me or something - how will that body be raised?' Don't lose any sleep over it, God's promised to raise it. That's what He did with the body of Jes.!

The greatest heresy being taught today is that the physical body of Jes. did not arise. I visited a lady on Wednesday night, she may be here this morning, I wouldn't reveal her name or embarrass her, but she said in my S. S. class, there was a division on whether Jes. wax really drose from the dead or not. One group said 'we don't believe that' - this is a Protestant Church. Some others did and I was so proud of the lady, she said 'I certainly knew that if people didn't believe in the resurrection of Jes. - that man, they were so far afield that I didn't want to hear that sort of thing'. This is the crux of every bit of it: Is the physical resurrection of Jes and that'll be the climax of salvation for you and me - the resurrection of THIS body:

But that's just PART of the glorification - matter of fact, that's the least part of the glorification, is the body. Do you realize that we will be higher than any angel that ever was

created by God? GAbriel and Michael will be our servants! That we will be higher than Lucifer who was the guardian angel of Heaven, evidently and had a pipe-organ in him! The most amazing angel we read about in Script. was Lucifer, who became satan, but at one time was Lucifer. We will be FAR above that! We will have a position on the throne beside Jes. and our status will be nothing less than the Sons of God! It's inconceivable what the Bible teaches is in store for you and me! Through His Grace! And no matter how shabby we feel today, He predestined it and it is going to come to pass! Aren't you glad? And no one can defeat it in Heaven or in hell?

Now we move on. He says, based upon this, in

V. 31 (read) to what things? To the five things that I've just been talking about. Now you might say the entire chapter but it doesn't matter. It certainly would include the five things that I've just mentioned. What shall we then say to these things? 'If God be for us, who can be against us?' A man translated the Bible and he called it 'The Cotton Patch Version' and put it in the language of the deep south, a man by the name of Jordan. He translates it like this: 'if God be rooting for you, who can be against you?' Well, God's done more than just root for us! God has intervened my friends, and put it together and it can't be undone!

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Who can be against us? Well, now, the devil will accuse us. The world will condemn us. But they're wasting their time. No one can ultimately defeat you or destroy you, if you are a child of God! And when the devil accuses you, if you're rooted enough in the Word of God you won't listen to him. You know what Peter says in 1 Pet. 5: 8 (read) I hear many Xtns quote chapter 5: 8 and I'm always worried because they don't quote the next verse. Many Xtns have camped at the end of V. 8 and said 'listen, the devils got me and I've got to pay attention to him'. I wouldn't give the devil the time of day! I'm serious. Sometimes, Doris will say 'the devil' and I say 'wait a moment. Don't let him hear you say that. He is so conquored, let's not say that he can do ANYthing! He can't do anything except what you let him do!

But where he plays havoc is when we don't have the theology or the understanding of the Word

of God. He goes on to say 'whom resist steadfast in the faith'. What faith? The faith right here that I'm talking that we were foreknown, predestinated, called and justified and will be glorified and we should not listen to the devil a moment, my friends! NEVER! You resist him with the Truth of the Word of God and there's somebody right here today who's listening to the devil and you need to quit it! Start listening to the Word of God: And not interpret your life in terms of circumstances but in terms of Gods purpose for your life. It's the only way you can face life! He that spareth not His own Son

V. 32 (read) 'delivered Him up (handed Him over is what the Greek says - paradeedame(?)) for us all (as a substitute for us all is what the Greek means) how shall He not with Him, also freely give us all things?' He just pulls out the cross and says 'would God just hand over Jes. to die for us and then not meet all of our needs, freely? Would God give us the supreme gift of all gifts and foreknow us and predestinate us from Eternity and then let something come along and pluck us out? Or destroy my life?' No, my friends, that's foolish to even say that: The fact that He gave Jes is that He's utterly serious in saving us and He saves ue, my friends not halfway and He does it and preserves us! Unto the end!!

Abraham handed over his son - Gen. 22 - and a substitute was offered for Abrahams son - the ram. But did you ever stop to think that there could never be a substitute for Jes.? NO ONE could die for Jes. Why? BEcause He is the supreme person and gift to this universe! Jes. Jes. the Son of God, has been offered for you and me through the sheer grace and love of God. If He would give Jes., is He gonna let the devil or anybody destroy us? And is He not gonna bless us tremendously? In life, and Eternity and forever? He certainly is! The first ring I ever bought was a little diamond for Doris, before we got married. I didn't have any money to buy any ring, but I bought her a ring and I started walking out of the Jewelry without the little box that it came in.

I guess I was so nervous and excited that I forgot the box and the Jewelry said 'well, wait here, mister, let me give you the box and I said 'how much is the box gonna cost?' (that's how ignoratnt I was) and he said 'oh, the box goes with the ring. You buy the ring, I'm sure not

gonna charge you for the box'. My goodness, if God would give Jes., is He not gonna hear my prayers? Is He not gonna be with me in my family problems? Is He not gonna see me through, if He gave Jes.? That's what Paul is saying.

V. 33 (read) that's a court word. 'Who's gonna bring charges against one of Gods believers?' Who's gonna hail him into court? You know the only person who really could? Jes. and God! They're the only people and the H. S. And they've already proved that they're not gonna do this. You say 'but what if I sin?' Well, if you sin, God is certainly gonna convict you; the H. S. is; if you are a believer, you're not gonna practice sin anyway! Not if you're a believer! But if you sin as a believer, He's gonna convict you and call you to confession and back into fellowship. But he is NOT gonna condemn you or kick you out of His family! If so, we're everyone lost, because the best of us are gonna sin! If not sin of commission, certainly sins of ommission and if one sin would pluck you out, ANY sin will! It's all together different with a believer than it is with an unbeliever.

But you come back and you keep logging time with the H. S. and keep learning the Truth of God; about how to walk with Him! How wonderful it is that God has given us His Grace eternally!

V. 34 (read) is Christ going to condemn me? He died for me. He rose again. He's seated at the right hand of the Father where He's interceding for us. We could not live down here at all for Him except He's living for us, up there and not a one of us would be saved for one hour were

it not for His intercessory work for us! And that does not remove at all the call of God on our lives to be separated and to be a Holy people. You know the Holiest people in history? I'm serious when I tell you this: it's the people who believe what I'm teaching today. This is not anti-nomaniam or the doctrine that you're saved by Grace and you can do anything you want to. You don't fear God; you don't have to go to church; you don't have to do anything! Oh no! The Holiest people of history are people who believe exactly what I'm saying and were so stood in awe at the Grace of God and the greatest evangelists of history were people who believed exactly what I have said! Today!

'You may not think so, but that's true: That is true. The greatest standard has been set by the people who believe in the Sovereign Grace of God and do you know where liberalism has come into the Protestant denomination? Not through this strain. It came when man began to humanize riddled and when they began to deny the Sovereign. Grace of God; that's when liberalism 光光光光/American Protestanism and has destroyed many branches of it! I mean DESTROYED it! If you say 'it's all in the hands of man and man's got to do it' that can lead to errors and lead to corruption that's unspeakable indeed! We need to understand what the Bible says in its entirety- not in just part of the Bible!

Then in V. 35 through following, he asks a question. You say 'well, now I believe all this, this is one of my favorite passages, but wait a minute, Bill, there are a lot of things in life that can really just do me in and just take me right out of the Kingdom of God and out of the hands of Christ and I can be lost'. Well, Paul tries his best to give a total listing of all possibilities and I'll tell you what he says.

V. 35 (read) now notice, he says 'THE LOVE OF CHRIST' or the love which Christ has for US! Not our love for Christ but His love for us. Now many things can separate my love for Christ. My love for Him is weak compared to His love for me. So we need to understand it. Who shall separate us from the love which Christ has for us? <u>Tribulation?</u> You know what this word means that word in the Greek means the word 'kind of pressure' or what we call 'being in a jam'. Not

knowing which way to turn. Are you in a jam this morning? <u>Distress!</u> That means mental anquish. <u>Persecution!</u> That means physical harm to our body from enemies. <u>Famine!</u> That means hunger, starvation. <u>Nakedness!</u> That means no clothes to wear. Walking around naked.

<u>Disgrace!</u> Or <u>Peril!</u> That means all kinds of things that would threaten us. Things that threaten us in life. <u>Swords!</u> Notice that is in the plural. That means murder, executions and he spells it out in V.

V. 36 (read) 'as it is written, we face death every day we live' and that's a better translation. We face death every day we live. You know the Communist that a phrase that 'we're dead men on furlough'. They got it from Rom. 8: 36. You know what the Communist have done? They've gone to the N. T. and found out the language of Xtnity and translated it into their discipline required of their people and taken most of the world! Whereas, we, in the church, have denied what the Bible says and sought an easy and we're losing the world. But one of their phrases is 'we are men on = dead men on furlough'.

Ready to die. Paul says we face death every day that we live. We don't know, this <u>could</u> happen to us.

Side Two of Tape

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....Thelo-a-lamon (?) these three people were from the CIA; they were sent over here by the state department. Ura Traitor - they put him in jail in 1959 - he didn't get out until 1979. That's how close this thing is to us. We don't know but this does not deny the teaching of Paul at all. I can't say what's gonna happen to you or what's gonna happen to our nation. Paul's giving the extreme human persecution and murderer and the worst things that can happen to us. He says

V. 37 (read) MORE than conquerors - not just conquorers. We ARE more than conquorers and that's present tense, indicating victory that we can have right here. We're not to be pessimists - to give up. We're to be victorious people in the midst of the world in which we live!

Because of what I'm saying. We are more than conquorers: How can you be more than a conquorer The word 'more than conquorers' is above victory. Literally, the Greek is 'hoopernako' - 'above victory'. How can you do more than be victorious? Well, I can tell you how: you can turn the circumstances - bad circumstances - in life, into triumphs! Through the Grace of our Lord, JC: God wants His people to take the tragedies of life and turn them into triumphs: The greatest victory in the world is to turn a tragedy into a triumph! Tragedy should not be in our vocabulary today:

We're over-conquorers or super-conquorers, through Him that love us. Then he lists all these things. He looks into every realm of human experience.

V. 38 (read) 'for I am persuaded' which means 'I am confident beyond the shadow of a doubt'.

I am confident beyond the shadow of a doubt that neither death and so forth through

V. 39 (read). I really don't have time to go over this. I don't want to run over into the next service. There's a lesson on every one of these words. He looks into the realm of death, into the realm of life; into the real of the good angels; the bad angels; things present and happening to us; anything that can happen in the future; the height! the depth refers to our horoscope; astrology; and if that were not enough 'nor any other creature shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jes. our Lord'.

A man in love with this girl, wrote her this letter and said 'Dear, I love you so much that I would climb the highest mountain to sit by your side and so much that I would swim the broadest ocean just to look in your eyes again. I would do anything just to be in your presence. I love you so much. If it doesn't rain, I'll see you Saturday night'. That's human love. On a weather van were the words 'God is Love'. Spurgeon saw it, rebuked the farmer. The farmer said 'Pastor, you don't understand what I'm trying to say. God is love, no matter which ways the wind blows'. Hallelujah! How marvelous is His love! He foreknew us; he predestinated us; He called us; Justified us and one day He's gonna purify us! Man if that doesn't wake you up, you're dead! Let's believe what the Bible says. Let's stand!