

# *The Gospel Herald*

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“As the truth is in Jesus” (Ephesians 4:21)

For The LORD’S PILGRIMS, STRANGERS & SOJOURNERS

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## *Ordained to Believe*

*Acts 13:48*

*“And when the Gentiles heard this (the gospel) they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: **and as many as were ORDAINED to eternal life believed**” (Acts 13:48).*

*The word “ordain” as indicated in the above referenced text in the original translation means exactly as it says, to assign, appoint, determine or set (tas-so- in Greek).*

*It is an irrefutable fact of scriptural truth that ONLY those ORDAINED of God the Father before the foundation of the world shall be those that shall believe on His beloved Son and experience Christ so great salvation. This fact eliminates any suggestion that ALL mankind has an equal opportunity to “accept, receive, chose or make a decision” to believe on Christ under the evangelical call of the so called preacher.*

*It is a sad commentary to the Christian religion that the neo-evangelical missionary “machine” of man’s devices and inventions has brought to the population the idea that salvation is a matter of the “will of man” to be exercised at one’s time of choice. We hear the continual plea from the pulpits of the religionist, “now I have preached unto you the gospel, and whether heaven or hell shall be your eternal destiny is totally up to you!” “As we sing the invitation I invite you to come and accept Christ and be blessed with heaven as your eternal home and your sin forgiven.” **WHAT A SHAM GOSPEL of DECEPTION!** This is unquestionably **another gospel than what was proclaimed by the New Testament writers.***

*The question continually remains to the lost and undone sinner, “has Christ chosen you?” For if we which believe love God “because He FIRST loved us”, then how can one come at their own timing and based upon their decision? The simple answer to the question is, **THEY CAN’T.** The elect, appointed, chosen, called, and ordained children of God shall ONLY come when the good shepherd calls, for then and only then shall they be caused to hear to voice the good shepherd. “For my sheep hear my voice and they*

*follow me.” The non-elect shall not and cannot hear the voice of the good shepherd for they have not ears to hear for they are spiritually deaf and blind to the kingdom of God.*

*“He that is of God heareth God’s words: ye therefore hear them not, because **ye are not of God**” (Jn. 8:47). One **MUST** be of God to hear the divine effectual call of God to look upon Christ as the **ONLY** Saviour of unworthy sinners. The scriptures are quite clear that there are “**TWO**” types of human creature which inhabit the earth. Sheep and Goats, or Wheat and Tares.... Each have been determined by God and neither shall ever be changed from their determined designation. Nowhere can man find scriptural evidence where a Goat was ever changed into a Sheep or a Tare into a Wheat; therefore, it leaves no other interpretation that what God has ordained, determined, decreed and predestined shall not be overturned in respect to one’s spiritual condition.*

*This truth is what needs to be proclaimed from the “so called” Christian pulpits of the day, “has Christ chosen you? Are you a Sheep or a Goat? A Wheat or a Tare”? Has faith been granted that you believe God is who He says He is? Has sin been so exposed unto you that you cannot rest nor find peace? Has repentance been granted as evidence of the quickening new birth of His Spirit? Has fear gripped your heart that unless you flee to Christ you shall eternally perish? Oh, dear one’s this is the manifestation of those loved and called of God and the evidence of things hoped for will be manifest by the fruit of the Spirit being worked out in these mortal tabernacles “making our calling and election sure”, for **ONLY** a good tree can bear forth **GOOD FRUIT**, for ye shall know a tree by it’s fruit Jesus said. Yes, even trees of righteousness planted by the waters edge by our divine Master.*

*What a grand and glorious “**ORDINATION**” the elect heirs of free and sovereign grace shall experience in time as witnesses of Christ’s so great salvation, so rich and so free. To **HIM** be glory and praise without end.*

*Respectfully submitted, by Christ’s merits alone I remain,*

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