

A Biblical Examination & Refutation of **Reformed Theology**

AKA: CALVINISM

Lesson 7

REASONS
REFORMED THEOLOGY
CANNOT
BE TRUE

And How Many Try To
Camouflage It -



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Total Inability

Unconditional Election

Limited Atonement

Irresistible Grace

Perseverance of The Saints

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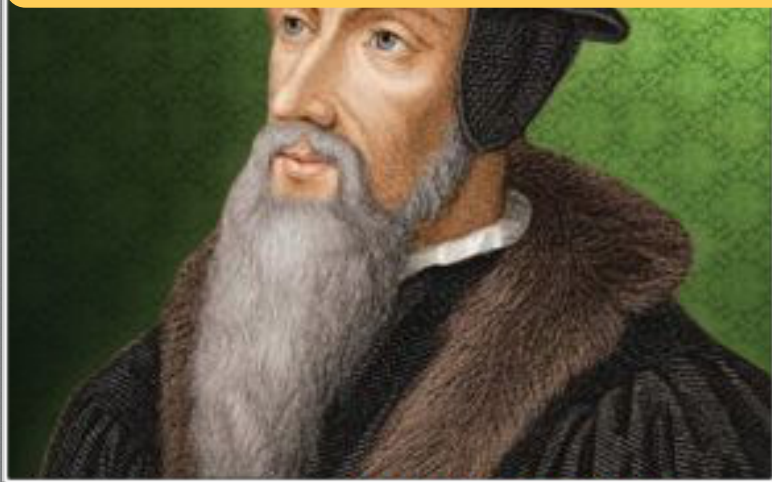
THE FIVE TENETS OF CALVINISM
ARE SO TIGHTLY AND
LOGICALLY KNIT TOGETHER
THAT IF YOU ACCEPT ONE, YOU
MUST ACCEPT THEM ALL.
CONVERSELY, IF YOU DENY ONE,
YOU MUST DENY THEM ALL.

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*“Perseverance
of the Saints”* is
NOT TRUE
(Galatians 5:4;
Hebrews 6:4-6;
10:26-30; Acts
8:9-24; etc.).



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No Middle Ground

Incapable of Responding to
God's Grace

OR

Capable of Responding to God's
Grace – Rev. 22:17

Unconditional Election

OR

Conditional Election –
John 6:28,29; 2 Pet 3:9

Jesus Didn't Die for All

OR

Jesus Died for All – Tit. 2:11,12;
2 Cor 5:14

Incapable of Resisting God's
Grace

OR

Capable of Resisting God's
Grace – Acts 7:51; Ezek. 18:30-32

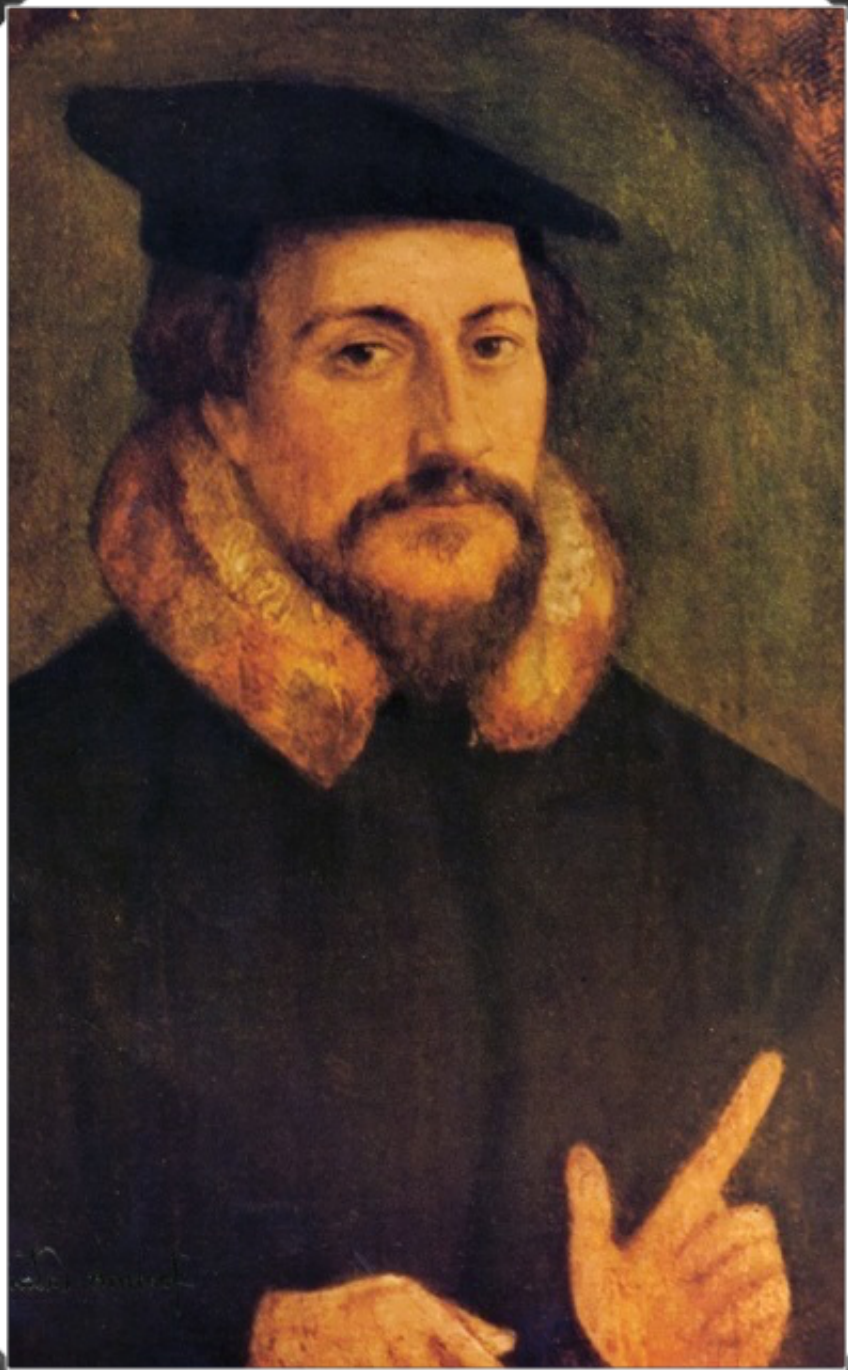
Unconditional Perseverance

OR

Conditional Perseverance –
Rev 2:10; 2 Pet. 2:20-22

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CALVINISM HAS STRONGLY INFLUENCED THE DENOMINATIONAL & EVANGELICAL WORLD

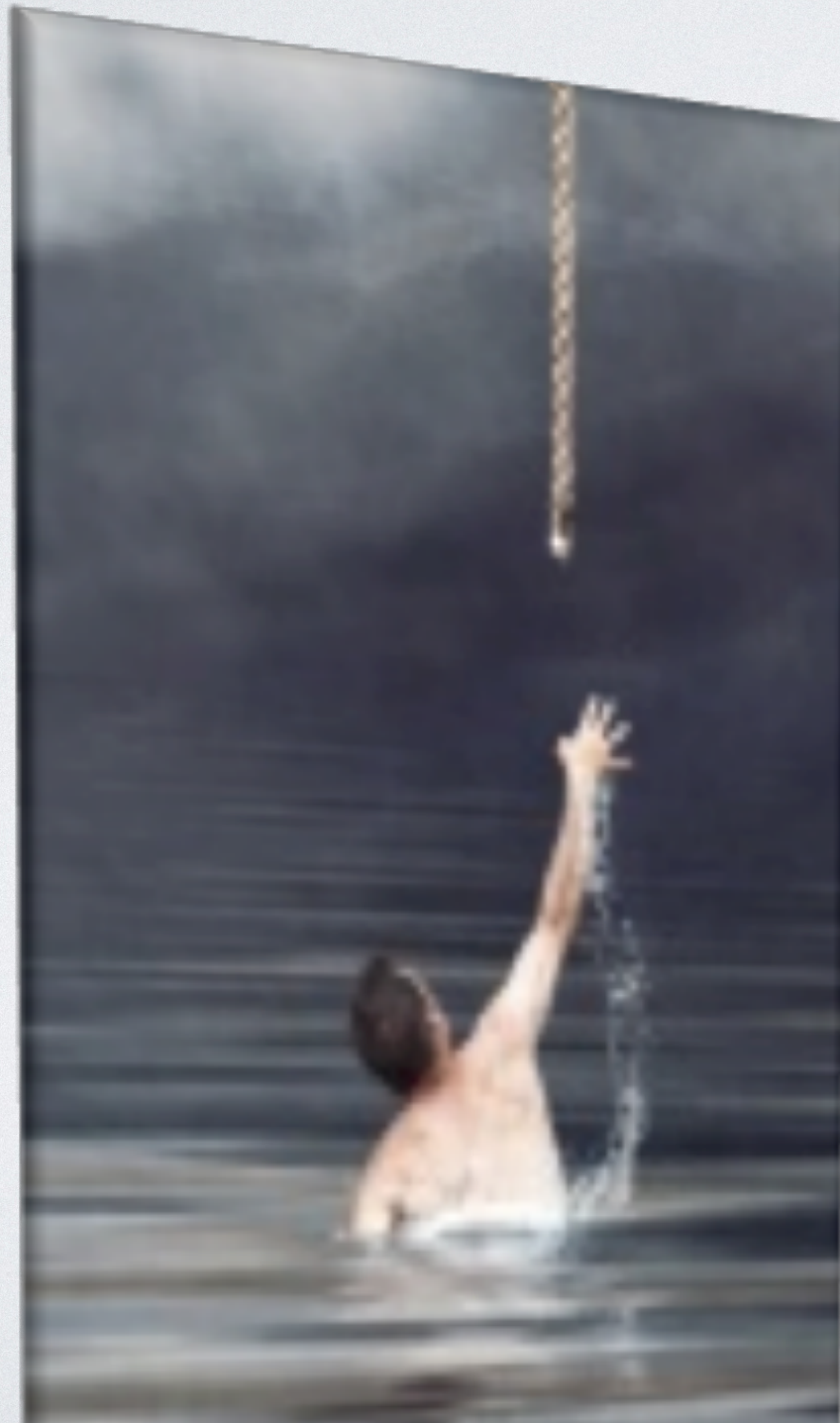


- The doctrine of “**TOTAL DEPRAVITY**” is believed, to some degree, by every mainstream denomination. (phraseology such as “sinful nature” or “sin nature” has even been used in some recent translations (NIV))
- The necessity of “**the direct operation of the Holy Spirit**” is also accepted throughout the denominational and evangelical world ...
- The “**imputation of Christ’s righteousness to the believer**” is also a key tenet of Calvinism that is widely believed & associated w/ OSAS.

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CALVINISM CANNOT BE TRUE BECAUSE IT CONTENDS THAT:



- God does NOT so love the world that He gave His Son for it- **BUT** - (Jn 3:16)
- Jesus DID NOT die for the sins of the whole world - **BUT** - (1 John 2:1,2)
- God does NOT desire all men to be saved - **BUT** - (1 Tim. 2:4)
- God does NOT will all men repent and not perish - **BUT** - (2 Pet. 3:9)
- Jesus' invitation to "Come to Him" is NOT actually an invitation to all who labor and are heavy laden - **BUT** - (Mat. 11:28)

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■ “Everything Is Unchangeably Foreordained” –

- ❖ Can't JUST pick the good things - (James 1:17)
- ❖ Must also include EVERY SINGLE SIN!
- ❖ Calvinism implies “God is the first cause of ALL EVIL!” **BUT** James 1:13
- ❖ The condemnation of ANY AND EVERY man is not because that man sinned of his own free will, but because God foreordained it.

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■ **SALVATION** for a person is 100%
by God's choice and will -

- ❖ Man CANNOT choose faith unless God enables him / man cannot be saved if God has not chosen him unconditionally / man cannot have what is NOT AVAILABLE to him
- ❖ What is just or right about punishing a person for that which they could not help, had no choice in, and only doing what the one punishing him made him do?

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- **God Does NOT Redemptively Love All Men** - The large majority of men are born "foreordained" to eternal destruction – 2 Pet 3:9; 1 Tim 2:4
- **God Is A Respector Of Persons** – chooses one sinner and condemns many others arbitrarily and capriciously - Acts 10:34; Romans 2:11
- **God Is Unjust** – Condemns men for what He predetermined that they do, without them having libertarian freewill to do otherwise - 2 Cor. 5:10

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■ How do you reconcile the paradox of a loving God who wants all people to be saved, because He has no pleasure in the death of the wicked, (Ezekiel 18:21-32), but sovereignly chose not to save the majority of people because it is “his good pleasure to send them to hell?”

■ **YOU DON'T / YOU CAN'T**

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Psalms 5:4 (NKJV)

⁴ For You *are* not a God who takes pleasure in wickedness, Nor shall evil dwell with You.

Ezekiel 18:23 (NKJV)

²³ Do I have any pleasure at all that the wicked should die?" says the Lord GOD, "*and* not that he should turn from his ways and live?

Ezekiel 33:11 (NKJV)

¹¹ Say to them: 'As I live,' says the Lord GOD, 'I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but that the wicked turn from his way and live. Turn, turn from your evil ways! For why should you die, O house of Israel?'

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A Calvinist CANNOT say to
anyone they meet on the
street that Jesus loves them
redemptively - that Jesus
wants them to be saved -
that Jesus CAN save them.

HOW SAD!!!

Romans 2:5–11 (NKJV)

⁵ But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, ⁶ who “*will render to each one according to his deeds*”: ⁷ eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality; ⁸ but to those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness—indignation and wrath,

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GOD OF CALVINISM

Partial

Unjust

Unfair

Unholy

Responsible -
All Evil / Lost Men

GOD OF THE BIBLE

Impartial

Just

Fair

Holy

Responsible -
Good / Salvation

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What Makes This
Doctrine So Dangerous?

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