Does God Predetermine people Heaven and Hell?

1. ***Foreordination***

1. **This term is used only once in the Scriptures. It is *only used of God's decision to***

***sacrifice His Son* for man's sins.**

"Who verily w \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ t \_ \_

w \_ \_ \_ \_, but was manifest in these last times for you, Who by him do believe in God, that raised him up from the dead, and gave him glory; that your faith and hope might be in God." ***1 Peter 1:20, 21***

1. **God *did cause* His Son to be crucified.**

"Ye men of Israel, hear these words; Jesus of Nazareth, a man approved of God among you by miracles and wonders and signs, which God did by him in the midst of you, as ye yourselves also know: H \_ \_, b \_ \_ \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ b \_ t \_ \_

d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ and f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ G \_ \_, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain: Whom God hath raised up, having loosed the pains of death: because it was not possible that he should be holden of it." ***Acts 2:22-24***

1. **God *used the wrath of man to accomplish* the crucifixion.**

"Surely the w \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ m \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain." ***Psalms 76:10***

1. **The Lord Jesus Christ made it very clear that no man had to take part in His death *personally*.**

"That it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Esaias the prophet, saying, H \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ our infirmities, and bare our sicknesses." ***Matthew 8:17***

"Therefore doth my Father love me, b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ I l \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_ m \_ l \_ \_ \_, that I might take it again. N \_ m \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ i \_ f \_ \_ \_ m \_, but \_ l \_ \_ i \_ d \_ \_ \_ o \_

m \_ \_ \_ \_ \_. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it again. This commandment have I received of my Father.” ***John 10:17, 18***

1. **This is the only event that the LORD decided something that took place *in eternity*. The rest took place *in time*.**

Nobody is *foreordained* in eternity past, present or future to go to Heaven or Hell. It's not in the Bible anywhere.

2. ***Foreknowledge (Foreknew, Foreknow)***

1. **This term is used four times in Scripture and all are in the New Testament.**

"For whom h \_ d \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren."

***Romans 8:29***

"I say then, Hath God cast away his people? God forbid. For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin. God hath not cast away his people w \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_. Wot ye not what the scripture saith of Elias? how he maketh intercession to God against Israel saying, Lord, they have killed thy prophets, and digged down thine altars; and I am left alone, and they seek my life. But what saith the answer of God unto him? I have reserved to myself seven thousand men, who have not bowed the knee to the image of Baal. Even so then at this present time also there is a remnant according to the election of grace." ***Romans 11:1-5***

"H \_ \_, b \_ \_ \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ b \_ the determinate counsel and

f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ G \_ \_, ye have taken, and by wicked hands have crucified and slain:" ***Acts 2:23***

"Elect a \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ t \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ G \_ \_ t \_ \_ F \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, through sanctification of the Spirit, unto obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace unto you, and peace, be multiplied." ***1 Peter 1:2***

In the verses above, or any other place in the Scripture, *at no time* does *God cause man to act a certain way,* because of His foreknowledge.

1. **David, having God's foreknowledge of the men of Keilah, saved his own life, and the lives of his men from King Saul.**

"Then said David, O LORD God of Israel, thy servant hath certainly heard that Saul seeketh to come to Keilah, to destroy the city for my sake. Will the men of Keilah deliver me up into his hand? w \_ \_ \_ S \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_, as thy servant hath heard? O LORD God of Israel, I beseech thee, tell thy servant. And the LORD said, H \_

w \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_. Then said David, Will the men of Keilah deliver me and my men into the hand of Saul? And the LORD said, T \_ \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ d \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ u \_. Then David and his men, which were about six hundred, arose and departed out of Keilah, and went whithersoever they could go. And it was told Saul that David was escaped from Keilah; and he forbare to go forth." ***1 Samuel 23:10-13***

3. ***Election (Elect, Elected, Elects)***

1. **The word Election is used in the Scriptures. However, it never refers once to a man, woman, child, or nation being chosen (elected) before Genesis 1:1.**
2. **The "elect from the Old Testament were all chosen in the realm of "*TIME*." Not eternity.**
3. **The New Testament "elect" are chosen in "*Christ*."**

"According as h \_ h \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ u \_ i \_ h \_ \_ before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love: Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children b \_ J \_ \_ \_ \_ C \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ h \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, according to the good pleasure of his will," ***Ephesians 1:4,***5

1. **No man is "in Christ" *BEFORE* he receives Him as his personal Saviour.**

"But a \_ m \_ \_ \_ a \_ r \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ h \_ \_, t \_ t \_ \_ \_ gave he power t \_ b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ the sons of God, e \_ \_ \_ t \_ t \_ \_ \_ that b \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ h \_ \_ n \_ \_ \_:" ***John 1:12***

4. ***Predestination (Predestinate, Predestinated)***

1. **The word is used in the Scriptures, but "never" to refer to a *lost* man. A lost sinner's destination is the Lake of Fire, however he *can change* that *at any time* by receiving Jesus Christ.**
2. **No saint is predestined to go to Heaven, until he gets saved. No get saved! No go to Heaven! Period!**
3. **When the Holy Ghost speaks of being predestined in the Scriptures, He is speaking of things God has predestinated for *people that have already come to Christ* and are *Born-Again*, not before.**

"And we know that all things work together for good ***to them*** t \_ \_ \_ l \_ \_ \_ G \_ \_, ***to them*** w \_ \_ a \_ \_ the called according to his purpose. For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to b \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ t \_ \_ i \_ \_ \_ \_ o \_ h \_ \_ S \_ \_, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom he did predestinate,

t \_ \_ \_ h \_ a \_ \_ \_ c \_ \_ \_ \_ \_: and whom he called, t \_ \_ \_ he a \_ \_ \_ j \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_: and whom he justified, t \_ \_ \_ h \_ a \_ \_ \_ g \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_." ***Romans 8:28-30***

No lost person is ever ***conformed to the image of Christ***, *or called*, *or is he justified*, and

definitely *not glorified*, UNTIL HE IS BORN-AGAIN. "**After**" the New Birth, the Lord has

predestined for the things above to take place. *Not before*. Easy, right!?

5. ***Reprobation (Reprobate, Reprobates)***

1. **The reprobation that takes place in Romans chapter 1, took place in time, not eternity.**
2. **The word reprobate in the New Testament may refer to the lost condition of a man, but there *is never* any hint whatsoever that that condition is *irreversible*. In other words, reprobates can change their mind and turn to the Lord and be saved. Any man can be saved up until he leaves his body, "if" he wants to.**

"Examine yourselves, whether ye b \_ i \_ t \_ \_ f \_ \_ \_ \_; prove your own selves. Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, e \_ \_ \_ \_ y \_ b \_

r \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_? But I trust that ye shall know that we are not reprobates. Now I pray to God that ye do no evil; not that we should appear approved, but that ye should do that which is honest, though we be as reprobates." ***2 Corinthians 13:5-7***

The Lord has and does provide some form of salvation in every dispensation, and has never

*made men* come to Him *against his will*. The Lord does not *assign people* to Heaven or Hell

*against their will*, except the Devil and his angels, which of course by their own will "left their

first estate."

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, n \_ \_ w \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ t \_ \_ \_ a \_ \_ s \_ \_ \_ \_ \_ p \_ \_ \_ \_ \_, but that all should come to repentance." **2 Peter 3:9**