Foreknowledge, Predestination & Election A Presentation by Myron J. Houghton, Ph.D, Th.D.

Introduction:

- 1, These thoughts do not necessarily represent the view of a school or a church; they are my own personal views.
- 2, The doctrine of foreknowledge, election and predestination is not made a test of fellowship.

Various Views:

Group/program		Individuals to glorification based	individuals to salvation/glorification
	 on foresight	on foresight	based on God's Plan

The Five Points of Calvinism (TULIP)

- 1. Total depravity
- 2. Unconditional election
- 3. Limited Atonement
- 4. Irresistible grace
- 5. Perseverance of the saints
 - [perseverance as proof]

- The Five Points of Arminianism (DAISY)
- 1. Depravity but neutralizing grace
- 2. An election conditioned on foresight
- 3. Inclusive Atonement
- 4. Saving grace may be rejected
- 5. You may forfeit (lose) salvation [perseverance as condition]

Scriptural facts which must be included in any doctrine of election/predestination:

- 1. God does not predestinate anyone to hell-2 Peter 3:9.
- 2. God desires the salvation of all-1 Timothy 2:4.
- 3. No one seeks after God-Romans 3:11.
- 4. There is a difference between moral ability and natural ability.
- 5. Some people are given by God the Father to Christ-John 6:37; 10:28-29.
- 6. Christ's death has a two-fold purpose-Hebrews 2:9-10.
- 7. the goal of election is an individual's glonfication-Ephesians 1:4 (5:27).
- 8. the goal of predestination is an individual's glorification-Ephesians 1.5 (Romans 8:23).
- 9. predestination is according to God's foreknowledge-Romans 8:29.

10. predestination is according to God's good pleasure-Ephesians 1:5.

The Key: a Definition of foreknowledge

Acts 26:5-The Jewish leaders knew Paul's way of life prior to this time. 2 Peter 3:17-Believers know future prophesied events before they happen.

Acts 2:23-Jesus was killed by God's determined counsel & foreknowledge. Romans 8:29-Believers are predestinated according to God's foreknowledge. Romans 11:2-Israel has been foreknown by God.

1 Peter 1:2-Believers are elect according to God's foreknowledge.

1 Peter 1:20-Christ's death was foreknown by God.