

FaceBook Predestination Forum Question

Is God Glorified In Damning Some People?

Here is the entire question in the original post:

MY DEAR CALVINIST FRIENDS, CORRECT ME IF I AM WRONG REGARDING THIS CALVINIST CLAIM.

“GOD HAS THE POWER TO MAKE EVERY SINGLE PERSON WANT TO COME TO HIM. IN OTHER WORDS, GOD CAN GIVE “IRRESISTIBLE GRACE” TO EVERY SINGLE PERSON BUT CHOOSES NOT TO DO SO BECAUSE HE IS MORE GLORIFIED IN “DAMNING” SOME PEOPLE.

Response from James Sindelar:

You used a typical ploy that so many do in an effort to tip the scales in your favor. You intentionally use positive language phrasing for your side and negative language phrasing for your “opponents” side to make it appear your theology is loving and caring while the Calvinists God is mean and judgmental. But addressing how you do that specifically, God doesn’t get “more” glory in damning people. And man damns himself.

Yes, God “could” and “has” the ability to make every single person come to Him. God is a God of love, mercy and grace. True. But God is also a God of vengeance, anger, judgment and wrath. Do you understand that both sides... ALL these characteristics of God are equal and perfect? Does God not have the right to display ALL His attributes to mankind if He so desires? Are you going to stand in judgment against God because He displays and is glorified in ALL that He is? Are you going to tell us that if YOU were God, YOU would have saved everyone? Everyone knows it’s right and good to punish evil. If a judge sentences a guilty person to jail, do you see him as a good judge or an evil judge? If hypothetically your 10 little girls were gang raped, knifed and buried alive, would you be against having them sentenced to jail or death? God is a God of righteous anger and, believe it or not, He is glorified by the punishment of the wicked because He is a God of justice. But He is also a God of love, mercy and grace. So He also is displaying that by the undeserved saving of a remnant of His creation. It isn’t amazing that He doesn’t save everybody. It’s amazing that He even saves anyone at all. Because judgment and punishment is OWED. Mercy is not. Mercy is freely given. God is OBLIGATED to punish. But He CHOOSES to save people by punishing Himself. To act like God should have gone beyond a remnant to save everybody is to diminish God and see His creation as victims. Let me put it a different way. Had God chosen to save everybody, He would not have displayed His justice and the cry would be that God let all the vile wicked people off the hook. Where is God’s justice??? Had God chosen to damn everybody, He would not have displayed His mercy and the cry would be that God is not a loving God at

all. Where is Gods love? Any way you go man will not be satisfied. God displays both because He is glorified in both. He is glorified in all He does.
