

RIVERVIEW ACADEMY

THE DOCTRINES OF
GRACE

SESSION 3: UNCONDITIONAL ELECTION

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DOES *NOT* MEAN

That we are worthless.

That we are as bad
as we could be.

That we are incapable
of virtue from a
human perspective.

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That sin has affected
every aspect our being,
and that in and of ourselves,
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- It also speaks of the goal or the destination for those who have been chosen. (Romans 8:29–30)



WORDS TO REFLECT ON

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- What is the ultimate purpose of God's choosing? (v. 6, 10, 14)



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DOESN'T ELECTION JUST
COMPLICATE THE SIMPLE GOSPEL?



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IT'S UNJUST!



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WHY DIDN'T GOD ELECT THE WHOLE
HUMAN RACE AND SAVE EVERYONE?



WHY EVANGELIZE?



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NOTHING MATTERS?

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