



Introduction

What's the Mystery?

Antinomy is **an appearance of a contradiction between _____ which seem equally logical, reasonable or necessary.**

So the antinomy before us is this: God is sovereign and _____. But man is responsible to _____ in the gospel, and as a Christian, to _____ the gospel.

How should we deal with antinomy?

What Does the Bible Teach About God's Sovereignty in Salvation?

Romans 8:28-31

In these verses we see what has been called the _____."

Foreknowledge

1 Peter 1:1-2

There are two basic options.

1) God merely knows what _____ will do.

2) God knows what _____ will do.

Summary:

Jeremiah 1:5

2 Timothy 2:19

Predestination

The word "predestine" simple means to _____.



Summary:

Acts 4:28
Ephesians 1:5,11

Calling

Divine calling is the sovereign act of the Holy Spirit as he opens the heart of a sinner to respond to the saving message of the Gospel.

John 6:44, Acts 16:14

Summary:

In my own wrestling with the difficult realities and implications of these doctrines I come to these three conclusions: 1) I am not more loving than God. 2) I am not more merciful than God. 3) I am not wiser than God.

What does God's Sovereignty Mean for Evangelism?

What Does the Bible Teach About Man's Responsibility in Evangelism?

Pray

Colossians 4:2-4

Three principles about praying for the lost.

- 1) _____ to prayer.
- 2) Pray for _____.
- 3) Pray for _____ as we share the Gospel.



Pursue

Luke 19:10
John 17:18
Matthew 28:19
Acts 1:8

Proclaim

Acts 2:23-24, 38
2 Corinthians 5:20
Romans 10:13-15

Homework

Pray

- 1) That God would give you a heart for the lost;
- 2) That God would grant opportunities to speak to people and share the gospel;
- 3) That God would reveal three people in your life in which to share the gospel before this class concludes

Write down the names of the three people in your life in which to share the Gospel

To help you think of names, consider people in the following categories: family, friends and colleagues, neighbors. It can be one name from each, or any combination. Some names could land in all three categories. Please put the card in your wallet or purse, next to something you grab often, such as cash or a debit card. When you see it there, pull it out, and pray (quickly if you must) for the salvation of those people.

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