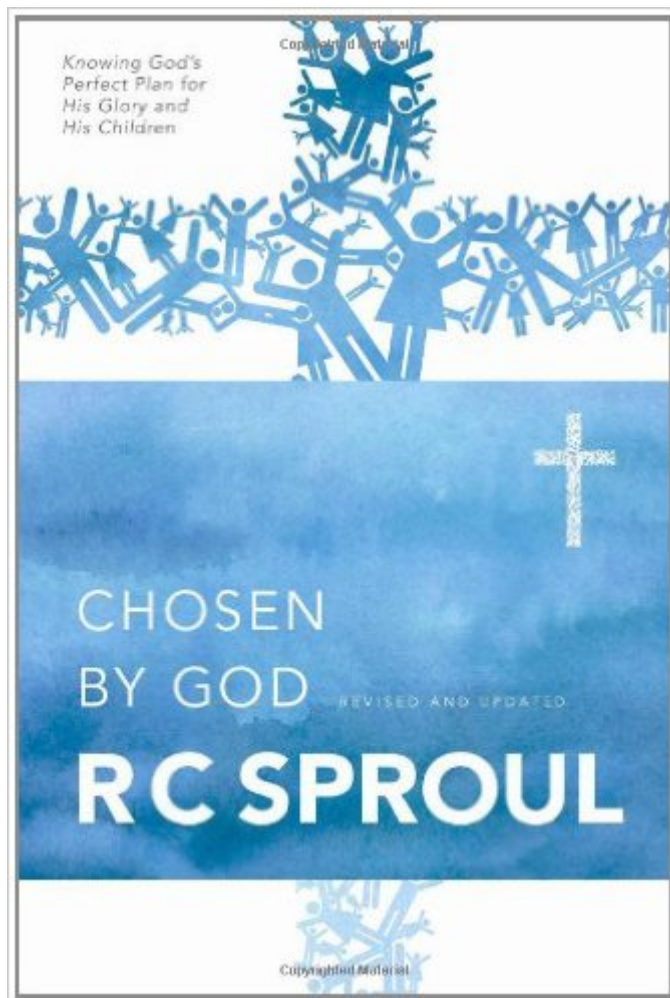


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Chosen By God



Synopsis

With nearly 200,000 copies sold in its 25 years, *Chosen by God* by Dr. R. C. Sproul is a contemporary classic on predestination, a doctrine that isn't just for Calvinists, says Sproul. It is a doctrine for all biblical Christians. In this updated and expanded edition of *Chosen by God*, Sproul shows that the doctrine of predestination doesn't create a whimsical or spiteful picture of God, but paints a portrait of a loving God who provides redemption for radically corrupt humans. We choose God because he has opened our eyes to see his beauty; we love him because he first loved us. There is mystery in God's ways, but not contradiction.

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Seminary, Knox Seminary, Westminster Seminary California, and Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary. The author of many books on the Bible and Christian doctrine, including the award-winning *The Holiness of God*, he also hosts the international radio program "Renewing Your Mind," heard in over 120 countries.

We were looking for an unabridged reading of the book *Chosen by God* by RC Sproul. This "unabridged audio book" is actually a compilation of 6 thirty minute lectures taught by RC Sproul. The content is similar to the book, but this is not an "unabridged audio book".

The search for Truth means a lot to me. Well written truth on a complex subject is always appreciated. The subject of predestination is controversial to say the least. Whether or not you're convinced by reading the book, it presents well reasoned Historical, biblical, and intellectual support for the arguments made.

Agree or disagree with the thesis of the book, but you will get a clear, straight forward presentation of the doctrine of election. Dr. Sproul is a churchman. By this I mean Sproul has a healthy respect for all Christians and it shows in this book. While he presents the Calvinist view of election, he does so without making light of those who disagree. If you are interested in knowing what the issues are, the Biblical bases for election and have your questions answered, you will benefit from this book. This is true even if you don't agree with the conclusions. For a deeper presentation on the subject by the same author see "Willing to Believe" and/or "Grace Unknown." Dealing with subjects such as election, it is necessary that we have more light than heat. Dr. Sproul's unique gift to the church is helping take difficult issues and making them understandable by all. Again, agree or disagree with the author, but if you read this you will be armed with an understanding of the issue that will help you draw informed conclusions.

The first chapter is tough, but this is a well written book that presents a good case whether you like the content or not it is represented in a reasonable fashion.

I was incredibly satisfied with the book "Chosen by God" by R. C. Sproul, which I purchased in "Very Good" condition. To me, the condition was even better than my expectations, as there was very little noticeable wear. The fact that it came with an immaculate book jacket was the cherry-on-top of the Sundae! This book is a wonderful addition to my growing library.

This book made me rethink the foundation of my beliefs. It also helped me to fill in some of the gaps I wasn't able to see the solution to. I had and still have questions about how come God would choose to bless someone as unworthy as myself, but I do believe that some questions will only be answered after I see my savior and then they won't be important. I enjoyed this book however the spelling errors were distracting, therefore four stars

I have been trying to understand the whole predestination thing for over a year, and this book provides lots of insight and things to consider. Sproul has the ability to make deep thoughts and ideas accessible to the layman. My one criticism of the book is that Sproul focuses on what Reformed Theology holds. I would prefer Scripture references and a focus on what the Bible says.

Pastor Sproul, masterfully, describes the doctrine of election in a very understandable way. He does not avoid the difficult questions posed against this doctrine and expound all the intricacies that arise from the discussion of the matter. His ability to explain and care for the language used is in much contrast to the opposing view of Norman Geisler (in his book "Chosen but Free"), that tries to discredit the doctrine here discussed in an arrogant and flawed presentation. Pastor Sproul, as usually, succinctly presents his reasoning serving from the Bible as the only source for the proper understanding of the doctrine. I also suggest to watch Pastor Sproul's teaching series on the subject on his Ministry's website: ligonier.org, that makes available scores of great lectures by Pastor Sproul. This is a book every Christian should read (even if you disagree with Pastor Sproul's position) in order to study and understand the subject of election.

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