

I Peter – Encouraging Words to Exiled Christians

Comfort from the Knowledge of
God's Election

Lesson #1

I Peter 5:13

“¹³ She who is in Babylon, chosen together with you, sends you greetings, and {so does} my son, Mark.”

Stand fast – I Peter 5:12

“¹² Through Silvanus, our faithful brother (for so I regard {him} , I have written to you briefly, exhorting and testifying that this is the true grace of God. Stand firm in it!”

I Peter 1:1-2

“¹ Peter, an apostle of Jesus Christ, to those who reside as aliens, scattered throughout Pontus, Galatia, Cappadocia, Asia, and Bithynia, who are chosen ² according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, by the sanctifying work of the Spirit, that you may obey Jesus Christ and be sprinkled with His blood: may grace and peace be yours in fullest measure.”

They are “chosen”
according to God’s
foreknowledge.

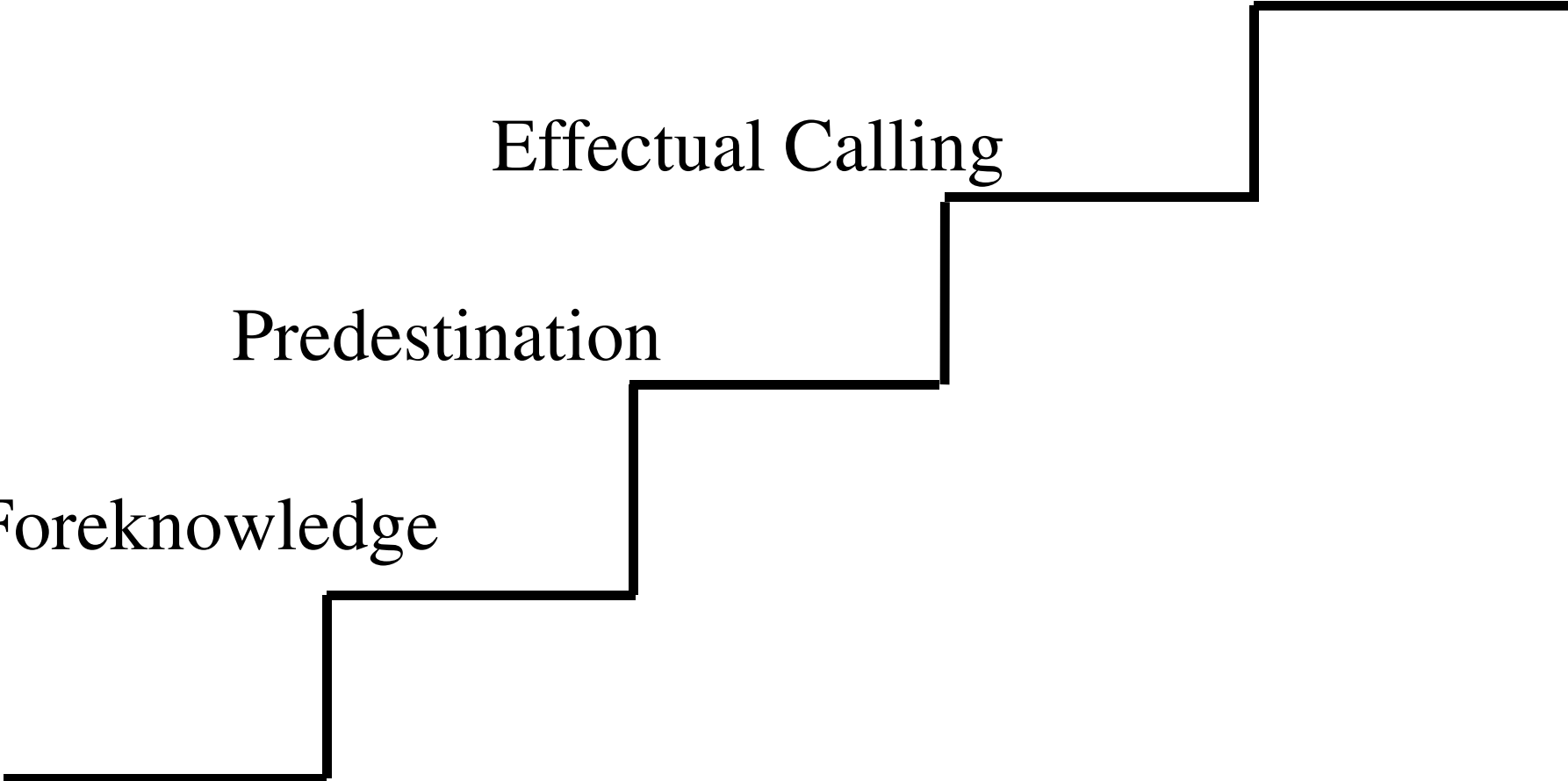
Glorification

Justification

Effectual Calling

Predestination

Foreknowledge



Amos 3:2

“You only have I chosen among
all the families of the earth;
therefore, I will punish you for
all your iniquities.”

Jeremiah 1:5

“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I have appointed you a prophet to the nations.”

Genesis 4:1

“¹ And Adam knew Eve his wife; and she conceived, and bare Cain, and said, ‘I have gotten a man from the Lord.’” KJV

Know is translated as “had relations” in the NASU.

Genesis 18:19

“For I know him, that he will command his children and his household after him, and they shall keep the way of the Lord, to do justice and judgment, that the Lord may bring upon Abraham that which He hath spoken of him.”

Psalm 1:6

“For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, but the way of the wicked will perish.”

Exodus 2:25

“And God looked upon (knew) the children of Israel, and God had respect unto them.”

Matthew 7:22-23

“²² Many will say to Me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast our demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?’ ²³ And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness.’”

I Corinthians 8:3

“But if anyone loves God, he is known by Him.”

Galatians 4:9a

“⁹ But now that you have come to know God, or rather to be known by God....”

I John 3:1

“¹ See how great a love the Father has bestowed on us, that we would be called children of God; and such we are. For this reason the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.”

Romans 11:2

“God has not rejected His people whom He foreknew. Or do you not know what the Scripture says in the passage about Elijah, how he pleads with God against Israel?”

I Peter 1:2

“According to the foreknowledge of God the Father, by the sanctifying work of the Spirit, that you may obey Jesus Christ and be sprinkled with His blood; May grace and peace be yours in fullest measure.”

I Peter 1:20

“For He was foreknown before the foundation of the world, but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you.”

Romans 8:29

“For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren;”

**Peter writes to
beleaguered Christians
who feel as pilgrims.**

**He encourages them
by reminding them of
God's particular
affection for them.**

**Note that the Trinity
is involved in the
process of the call.**

**Peter says, here is the
best way for me to
pick you up.**