

Spirit's Day Studies

The Writings of Jane Lead,
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On Predestination #1

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Dear Friend,

And as I mentioned in my last email, I've been under yet another dark and dry spell, making it difficult (actually impossible) to think or write about spiritual things. But my obligation to you, and the fact that it's now been several weeks since you wrote, has compelled me to write—though at present I'm still under the weather, spiritually speaking.

The true Doctrine of Election¹ is lost to a Christendom that is now under the captivity and confusion of Babylon. Since much of what comes out of mainstream Christianity is yet under the fall, the Lord must wean us away from the love of books and learning.² The Children of the Kingdom are warned against feeding upon any strange breast,³ which will only take them back to the fall. If we feed off confusion we will surely become confusion. A true Nazarite must also die to the opinions of others, and rely exclusively on *what sayeth the Spirit*, in and through God's Eternal Virgin-Wisdom.

Three hundred years ago the Divine Virgin-Wisdom introduced a new curriculum, dictated through her amanuensis (Jane Lead), and then circulated to all who had ears to hear. Specifically addressed to Wisdom's Children, these writings are an intensive spiritual study, designed to lead the soul to a full possession of a lost inheritance. All other books and learning *must* fall by the wayside. Those who insist on remaining in the Babylonish education can expect their journey to be extended—by months, years, even decades. This requires a tenacious and holy faith. Those who are predestined to become the Firstborn Sons of God will possess this faith. Those who have not been called or predestinated (to be or become the Firstborn) will not possess this faith.

WHAT IS "SALVATION?"

The commonly held view of salvation is that it's a deliverance from eternal punishment, with an eternity spent in Heaven. But the more precise definition, and the definition that Jane Lead believed and taught, is a salvation that is *tripartite*, that pertains to spirit, soul, and body.⁴ It is a *total and full* salvation, where the curse of the fall is fully reversed, and the soul is restored to a full and total re-possession of their inheritance. It includes a restoration of the physical and spiritual bodies, as well as the renewal of all the faculties and senses. Everything that was lost in Adam is restored in what the

Bible calls a *salvation to the uttermost*.⁵ This salvation is not instantaneous, but takes place by degrees: first the spirit, next the soul, and finally the body.

Jane Lead taught the universal restoration of ALL mankind, also called the Doctrine of *Apocatastasis*.⁶ She did not believe in a universalism that is separated from religion; nor did she believe in a salvation that does not consider the incarnation, life, death, and resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ. To Jane there was one only Savior of the world—Jesus Christ the Son of God.⁷ Thus her universalism and religion are undeniably “Christian.” Therefore there is little need for me to speak of an election that has to do only with salvation (conversion): for God has willed that ALL are to be saved. God has *predetermined* that ALL souls will one day be converted to a saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. This renders any argument of limited atonement (Calvinism) as a gross departure from the truth. The Bible declares that ALL are called to salvation;⁸ that ALL are called to repent and believe the Gospel.⁹ But NOT ALL are called to become God’s Firstborn Sons!

For whom he did foreknow, he also did PREDESTINATE to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the FIRSTBORN among many brethren. (Rom. 8:29)

THE PREDESTINATION (ELECTION) OF THE FIRSTBORN SONS OF GOD

Throughout her writings Mrs. Lead speaks of a Doctrine of Election and Predestination that expressly pertains to a particular and chosen group known as the *Firstborn Sons of God*. The thrust of her writings and ministry was to awaken and attract those predestinated souls, that they might hear and understand their calling, and to teach them how to pursue that calling. Through the birth of the Indwelling Christ in them,¹⁰ these Chosen Ones would have the curse of the fall reversed in them, which would then qualify them to possess their inheritance. Then (and only then) would those Elect Nazarites be qualified to lead others to obtain their inheritance as well.

Predestination in the Holy Scriptures

The Bible also portrays the Doctrine of Predestination and Election as relating to the Firstborn. Although the words “predestinate” or “predestination” appear in only four places in the Bible, yet the Doctrine of the Predestination and Election of the Firstborn Sons of God can be seen and perceived throughout the entire scope of the Holy Scriptures—each occurrence referring to a specific (“elect-ed”) group of people, with a specific assignment given them:

(Rom 8:29) For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren.

(Rom 8:30) Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

(Eph 1:5) Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will,

(Eph 1:11) In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will:

In the above Scriptures we see that those whom Paul addressed were:

- ♦ Predestinated to be conformed to the image of God’s Son. (Rom. 8:29)
- ♦ Predestinated to be called, justified, and glorified. (Rom. 8:30)
- ♦ Predestinated to be adopted by Jesus Christ. (Eph. 1:5)
- ♦ Predestinated to obtain an inheritance. (Eph. 1:11)

Some MUST Enter In

My focus is on the Doctrine of Predestination and Election *as it pertains to the Firstborn Sons of God*. Therefore I will not go into all the qualifications and duties of the Firstborn, the subject being well-covered in the Holy Scriptures and also in Jane Lead. Rather I will place my emphasis on the fact that *some must* and *will* enter the Kingdom *before* the rest:

Seeing therefore it remains that SOME MUST ENTER therein... (Heb. 4:6)

The word “firstborn” demands that there is a *first*, and that some will be born *after* the first. It’s about selecting (electing) some to be born into the Kingdom as the Firstborn, so that they in turn can help their younger brethren¹¹ to enter the Kingdom as well. But the Bible also states that these Firstborn *must* enter first.¹² Concerning ourselves primarily with *who* will enter first, we often overlook the fact that some MUST enter. The Doctrine of Election and Predestination is God’s guarantee that the work of Jesus Christ will be totally and fully accomplished on this earth. God will see to it that ALL are saved: and in the last age of time that salvation will begin with His Firstborn Sons.¹³ Therefore He elected (predestinated) a chosen group (the Firstborn) for this important and glorious work: For these Firstborn are the beginning of the Kingdom, and are patterned and molded after the Lord Jesus Christ, who is the Head of the Body (the Church of the Firstborn).

The Origin of the Firstborn Sons of God

Not all can be the firstborn in a family. This birth has nothing to do with our own devotion, dedication, or determination. It is all from God, who knows the end from the beginning. The qualifications, life, ministry, and origin of these Firstborn are well-covered in Jane Lead’s *Eight World*:

- ♦ They were preordained—even before the creation of all worlds. (EW 1:21a)
- ♦ They are generated from out of God the Father, in conjunction with the Eternal Virgin Wisdom who brought them forth. (EW 1:21a)
- ♦ Their descent is not to be counted in the genealogy of that creation which is under the Fall, but in another genealogy which is from the Restoration (See also Propositions 17 & 18).
- ♦ They are foreordained to bring forth Christ. (Rom. 8:29)

These Saviors from Mt. Zion¹⁴ will walk, talk, and live like their Pattern—Jesus Christ. And like their Pattern, their mission is to aid and deliver a lost and fallen creation. Jesus is *their* “Head;” and these Firstborn are *His* “Body.”¹⁵

Predestination in the Writings of Jane Lead, Jacob Boehme, and John Pordage.

A preliminary search of predestination in the writings of Jane Lead, John Pordage, and Jacob Boehme¹⁶ yields some interesting discoveries:

- ♦ John Pordage mentions the precise words “predestinated” or “predestination” only once.¹⁷
- ♦ Jane Lead mentions them 5 times.¹⁸
- ♦ Jacob Boehme mentions them approximately 300 times.¹⁹

While Boehme²⁰ makes mention of these words far more than the others, and therefore would seem to have the greater knowledge, yet he almost always uses them within in the context of salvation or reprobation—*not* in the context of the Firstborn Sons of God. The reason is clear: Boehme was not given that specific message to communicate to us. And although Jane Lead mentions the precise words only 5 times, it is *always* with reference to the Firstborn Sons of God; for it was to her that this message was expressly given, as also being numbered among the Firstborn. (1F P:3,1:5) As for Pordage, he tells us *where* God’s counsels, *predestinations*, and eternal decrees are decided: in the Still Eternity—which is also called the counsel-chamber²¹ of the Holy Trinity. (TM 284)

PREDESTINATED FOR SALVATION?

You stated that God did not elect some to salvation and some to damnation. I agree with the latter part of your statement but not the first; for as I have pointed out in this letter, the Doctrine of Predestination *is* the election of the Firstborn Sons of God. Some are and were predestinated to salvation and election. Consider the following questions:

- ♦ Was Adam predestinated to be the first created earthly man?
- ♦ Was Abel predestinated to be the first sacrificial offering?
- ♦ Was Methuselah’s death predestinated to be the beginning of the great flood?
- ♦ Was Noah predestinated to be the beginning of a new race?
- ♦ Was Abraham predestinated to be the Father of the Faithful?
- ♦ Was Sarah predestinated to bear a son out of her dead womb?
- ♦ Was Jacob predestinated to be the beginning of the Nation of Israel?
- ♦ Was Joseph predestinated to be a savior to Israel?
- ♦ Was Moses predestinated to be a deliverer to the captive Hebrews in Egypt?
- ♦ Were all the true prophets of God predestinated to write the very words of God?
- ♦ Was John the Baptist predestinated to be the Lord’s forerunner?
- ♦ Was Mary predestinated to be the virgin who would conceive?
- ♦ Was John the Revelator predestinated to see and record the Apocalypse?

If the answer is “yes” to the above questions, then I believe it is safe to say that these were *predestinated* for salvation, as the word is commonly understood.²² But they were also predestinated for so much more! For these were all “types” of the Lord Jesus Christ! They had a specific gift and assignment given them in order to fulfill God’s great and sovereign will (plan). These great men and women of God were “foreknown” by God and elected. Then they were “chosen” and “ordained” (and in that order) to be human instruments through which the Lord would accomplish His sovereign will on

Earth. But I will go a step further and say that not only were these predestinated, but they also *pre-existed*. They are the “stars” who shouted for joy when God created the worlds! (Job 38:7)

But there is another name that I must not fail to mention:

- ♦ *Was Jesus Christ predestinated to be the Savior of the World?*

Since God knows the end from the beginning, that man’s heart is bent towards evil continually, and that without divine help man has no hope of salvation, holiness, or righteousness; therefore, out of compassion for His fallen creatures, God chose to *interfere* with man’s designs, and set in motion a course of events that would ultimately bring about the full and total restoration of the entire world. And since all are born in sin, and since all come short of the glory of God, and in order to ensure the reversal of the great curse that has been applied to man and the earth, the Lord therefore had to *pre-destinate certain persons* to be His instruments, who as **CHRIST²³** would bring about this great and perfect salvation: *Seeing therefore it remains that SOME MUST ENTER therein...* (Heb. 4:6)

CONCLUSION

Finally, we should determine precisely *what or who* it is that is predestinated: It is the Son of God who is the True Chosen One. In this respect, mankind is divided into two distinct groups: those who have the Seed of Immanuel as a birth within, and those who do not have this Birth of Life. As members of His Body, the Firstborn Sons of God are also *Chosen Ones*. Through the Birth-Life of the Son of God within, these Firstborn will be able to accomplish God’s will on this earth—for in reality it is the indwelling Birth-Seed that accomplishes it.

With respect to this process to become a Firstborn Son and member of the Royal Melchizedek Priesthood, Francis Lee declared that the writings of Jane Lead are “so essentially and fundamentally declared, that nothing higher or deeper can upon this subject ever be laid down, whether in time or in eternity.”²⁴ Those on this journey should pay close attention to Jane Lead, as she wrote specifically to those who are or will become the Firstborn.

No one who has not this Seed *quickened* within can be called The Elect; and no one can accomplish God’s specific will for the coming age except The Elect.

Sincerely in Christ Jesus,

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Endnotes

- 1** That is, predestination as it relates to the Firstborn Sons of God.
- 2** EW 1:9.
- 3** EW 1:17a.
- 4** The order is specific: *First* the spirit; *Second* the soul; *Third* the body. 1Thes. 5:3.
- 5** Heb. 7:25.
- 6** RR 3:2.
- 7** Acts 4:12.
- 8** 1Tim. 2:4.
- 9** Acts 17:30.
- 10** The Birth of Life.
- 11** The “After-born.” 1F P:6.
- 12** Heb. 4:6.
- 13** The word “Sons” implies both males and females.
- 14** Obadiah 1:21.
- 15** 2M 8.
- 16** I rely mainly on these three for my own spiritual edification.
- 17** TM 284.
- 18** 2F 9:15, 20:2; 4F, 12/18/1681 Postscript; HC 3:7; ST 25.
- 19** In his book *The Election of Grace* alone, the words “predestinate” and “predestination” appear over 200 times.
- 20** Jacob Boehme believed the election to be the same as predestination. (3FL 11:30; See also 4C 98, footnote #46)
- 21** Pordage also refers to the Still Eternity as “the Most Holy Place.” (TM 159, 284)
- 22** See section titled, *What is Salvation?*
- 23** Note the word Christ is in all caps. It’s possible that when Jane Lead uses all caps for the word “CHRIST,” she may be referring to the corporate Christ: the Firstborn Sons of God.
- 24** 1F P:6.