

EFFECTUAL CALLING AND REGENERATION

Redemption Accomplished and Applied, Class #4

HTPC CE Winter, 2017

- I. **Review:** what have we learned about the Atonement?
 - A. Definition?
 - B. What did the Atonement accomplish? (See Attachment)
 - C. For whom did Christ accomplish the Atonement?
 - D. How does God apply the benefits of the Atonement to those for whom it was accomplished? See WSC #29-30.

- II. **What is the spiritual process by which the benefits of the Atonement are applied to those for whom it was accomplished?**
 - A. Do the Scriptures support an “order of salvation?” See Ro. 8:28-30
 - B. An Overview of the *Ordo Salutis* (“Order of Salvation”) (See Attachment).
 - C. Caveat: Overthinking the process in real life
 - D. The Beginning of the Process: Effectual Calling and Regeneration
 1. **Is this the “right order”?** Why or why not? See Jn. 3:3; 6:44, 65
 2. **Effectual Calling** (WCF Art. 10.1-4; WSC# 31; WLC #67-68); Ro. 8:30
 - a. Beginning of the application of the redemption to those chosen for salvation

b. *Universal* vs. *Effectual* call of the gospel. How is the call “effectual”?
1 Cor. 1:9; 2 Pet. 1:10

c. From whom does the call originate? 1 Cor. 1:9; Ro. 8:29; Gal. 1:15

d. What is the effect of the call? 2 Tim. 1:8-10a

3. **Regeneration** (WSC# 31; WLC #67-68)

a. Defined. Relation to effectual calling.

b. What is the fundamental spiritual problem resolved by regeneration? John 6: 44-45; Ezek. 36:26

c. What two spiritual things must occur in regeneration? John 3:1-8
According to Jesus, who is the agent of spiritual change in regeneration?

d. What is the connection between regeneration and the “fruits of grace” (i.e., the inward and outward qualities of being a Christian which come from God)

i. 1 John 2:29

ii. 1 John 3:9

iii. 1 John 4:7

iv. 1 John 5:1

e. Based on the above, is it possible for a person to be *regenerated* and not be *converted* (conversion = faith + repentance)?