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Dead:

- Extreme Calvinists interpret “spiritually dead” as _____ – even though death is interpreted to mean _____ throughout Scripture.
- Orthodox Christians don’t even consider the _____ of unbelievers as spiritual annihilation:
- Extreme Calvinists believe an unsaved person, like a _____, cannot _____ from God or _____ to Him unless God first _____ him.

Paul says the natural man cannot “_____,” not “_____,” the things of the Spirit of God.

Extreme Calvinists believe God makes us spiritually _____ first, and then we can _____.

In other words, faith _____ salvation – salvation does not come _____ of faith.

Or, a person must _____ in order to _____.

“In Adam, the image of God in man is _____, but it is not _____.” Norm Geisler

Here’s what a spiritually dead person can do:

Point of clarification:

2. U _____

- Extreme view: grace is unconditional both on _____ side and on _____ side as well.
- Moderate view: grace is unconditional on _____ side but is _____ on our side at one point – _____
- Scripture says that salvation is based upon God's _____ – not unconditional election
- Jesus came and suffered according to the _____ of the Father:
- Jesus did what He did out of _____ to the Father:

Extreme view: God chooses _____

Moderate view: God chooses _____

Salvation is _____ on the side of the giver, but _____ on the side of the receiver

- Scripture also teaches that salvation must be _____:

3. If God unconditionally elects “_____” to be saved, He, by extension, elects “_____” to be _____.

“When we say that God is sovereign in the exercise of His love, we mean that He loves whom He chooses. God does not love everybody.” Arthur Pink

“If God had elected to save everyone without exception, all would certainly be saved. But God never had the slightest intention of saving everyone. That is what the doctrine of election means in the first place: God chooses some, but not all. ... That God may have reasons of His own for choosing me for salvation and not my father (who as far as I know, died an atheist) may well be so, but it is certain that I did not supply Him with those reasons.” R. K. McGregor Wright

“But I am not ignorant that God may not have chosen my sons for His sons. And, though I think I would give my life for their salvation, if they should be lost to me, I would not rail against the Almighty. He is God. I am but a man. The potter has absolute rights over the clay. Mine is to bow before His unimpeachable character and believe the Judge of all the earth has ever and always will do right.”

John Piper