

Satan Must Love Calvinism

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The doctrine of Calvinism is named after John Calvin, and its main points are summarized by the acronym "TULIP" - total hereditary depravity, unconditional election, limited atonement, irresistible grace, and perseverance of the saints. Calvinists believe that every single event, whether it is good or bad, happens because God ordained it to happen. This doctrine is deadly, and it seems to permeate nearly every denomination in one form or another. I am sure that Satan must love Calvinism, because it confuses people about the nature of God, His Plan of salvation, and so many other critical spiritual issues. Please notice some specific reasons why I believe that Satan must love Calvinism:

- **Because it teaches that God causes people to be tempted, and makes them do evil things** - However, the Bible does not teach this! (James 1:13-16; 1 Peter 1:16, etc.).

- **Because it teaches that people are basically nothing more than robots, having no free will of their own** - The Bible does not teach this! (Deuteronomy 30:19; Joshua 24:15; Acts 2:40, etc.).

- **Because it teaches that innocent newborn babies have souls blackened with sin** - The Bible does not teach this! (2 Samuel 12:23; Ezekiel 18:20; Matthew 18:3, 19:14, etc.).

- **Because it teaches that God will save certain people whom He chooses, without any conditions to be met on their part** - The Bible does not teach this! (Luke 13:3; Acts 2:38, 40; 2 Corinthians 7:1; James 4:8; Jude 21, etc.).

- **Because it teaches that the Lord's invitation for salvation was only for individuals arbitrarily chosen by God to be saved** - The Bible does not teach this! (John 3:16; Matthew 11:28-30; Revelation 22:17).

- **Because it teaches that Jesus only died for individuals who were fortunate enough to be predestined for salvation by God** - The Bible does not teach this! (John 3:16; Hebrews 2:9; 1 John 2:1, 2, etc.).

- **Because it teaches that God is a capricious respecter of persons when it comes to salvation, not desiring that all men be saved** - The Bible does not teach this! (John 3:16; Acts 10:34; Romans 2:11; 1 Timothy 2:4; 1 Peter 1:17; 2 Peter 3:9, etc.).

- **Because it teaches that if God chooses one for salvation, God cannot be resisted** - The Bible does not teach this! (Luke 7:30; John 12:42, 43; Acts 7:51, 13:46, etc.).

• **Because it attempts to denigrate the power of the Word and the need for spreading the Gospel** - Why labor to spread the Gospel when God will supposedly draw men to Him by a direct operation of the Holy Spirit? The Bible does not teach this! (John 6:45; Mark 16:15, 16; Matthew 28:19, 20; 2 Thessalonians 2:14; Romans 1:16, 10:17, etc.).

• **Because it leads "the elect" to believe that there is no need for them to study the Word of God** - The Bible does not teach this! (1 Timothy 4:13; 2 Timothy 2:15, 3:16, 17, etc.).

• **Because it teaches that once a person is saved, there is no possibility of falling from grace** - The Bible does not teach this! (Galatians 5:4; Hebrews 3:6, 4:11, 6:4-6, 10:25-31, 10:35-39, 12:15, 12:25; 2 Peter 2:20-22; etc.).

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