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Rev 22:17 <sup>17</sup> And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.  
Salvation is available to all. Concept of choosing all throughout the Bible.

Calvinism teaches there is no choice in salvation. God chooses who must be saved. God has already made that choice.... Therefore they say Jesus did not die for everyone. Only for elect chosen that God has already foreordained or predestined to be saved.

### T.U.L.I.P

#### T = Total depravity:

Point where choice is taken out of salvation. Removes man's free will. Condition of the unsaved that they are unable to even turn to God unless God does it for them. They are unable to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore God has to give him/her the faith to believe.

The Bible teaches that we have to make the choice to turn to Jesus.

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John 5:39-40 <sup>39</sup> Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me. <sup>40</sup> And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

"ye will not come to me" -> refers to free will.

The Calvinists use the following verse:

John 6:44 <sup>44</sup> No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him: and I will raise him up at the last day.

Jesus says He will draw all men:

John 12:32 <sup>32</sup> And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all men unto me.

Jews:

John 12:39-40 <sup>39</sup> Therefore they could not believe, because that Esaias said again, <sup>40</sup> He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them.

Rom 1 People that are reprobate.

Salvation is a gift of God:

Eph 2:8-9 <sup>8</sup> For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: <sup>9</sup> Not of works, lest any man should boast.

John 4:10 <sup>10</sup> Jesus answered and said unto her, If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water.

Rom 6:23 <sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

2 Pet 3:9 <sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance.

Our will to receive or reject Christ but God's will that all must be saved.

#### U = Unconditional election:

Election means one of the elect or saved.

There is a condition to be saved and that is to believe on the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Rom 10:9 <sup>9</sup>That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.  
IF you shall confess Jesus, that is the condition.

The Calvinists use the following verse:

Rom 9:10-18 <sup>10</sup>And not only this; but when Rebecca also had conceived by one, even by our father Isaac; <sup>11</sup>(For the children being not yet born, neither having done any good or evil, that the purpose of God according to election might stand, not of works, but of him that calleth;) <sup>12</sup>It was said unto her, The elder shall serve the younger. <sup>13</sup>As it is written, Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated. <sup>14</sup>What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? God forbid. <sup>15</sup>For he saith to Moses, I will have mercy on whom I will have mercy, and I will have compassion on whom I will have compassion. <sup>16</sup>So then it is not of him that willeth, nor of him that runneth, but of God that sheweth mercy. <sup>17</sup>For the scripture saith unto Pharaoh, Even for this same purpose have I raised thee up, that I might shew my power in thee, and that my name might be declared throughout all the earth. <sup>18</sup>Therefore hath he mercy on whom he will have mercy, and whom he will he hardeneth.

2 Quotes here from the OT:

- V12 "The elder shall serve the younger"  
Gen 25:22-23 <sup>22</sup>And the children struggled together within her; and she said, If it be so, why am I thus? And she went to enquire of the LORD. <sup>23</sup>And the LORD said unto her, Two nations are in thy womb, and two manner of people shall be separated from thy bowels; and the one people shall be stronger than the other people; and the elder shall serve the younger.  
2 nations: Israel (Jacob) & Edom (Esau)
- V13 "Jacob have I loved, but Esau have I hated."  
Mal 1:2-4 <sup>2</sup>I have loved you, saith the LORD. Yet ye say, Wherein hast thou loved us? Was not Esau Jacob's brother? saith the LORD: yet I loved Jacob, <sup>3</sup>And I hated Esau, and laid his mountains and his heritage waste for the dragons of the wilderness. <sup>4</sup>Whereas Edom saith, We are impoverished, but we will return and build the desolate places; thus saith the LORD of hosts, They shall build, but I will throw down; and they shall call them, The border of wickedness, and, The people against whom the LORD hath indignation for ever.
- Esau's mistakes: He despised his birthright, sold for a bowl of food. Married 2 woman of the heathen Canaanites, 3<sup>rd</sup> wife daughters of Ishmael. He hated his brother Jacob.
- Jacob -> Nation Israel  
Esau -> Nation Edom.  
Edom served Israel.  
God loved Israel but hated Edom.

Therefore Rom 9:10-18 is not a picture of salvation but of 2 nations.

What does the chapter say? In Rebecca's womb the chosen people would be Israel and not Edom. Before the children were born, Isaac would be seed and not Ishmael (Illustration)

Rom 9:6-9 <sup>6</sup>Not as though the word of God hath taken none effect. For they are not all Israel, which are of Israel: <sup>7</sup>Neither, because they are the seed of Abraham, are they all children: but, In Isaac shall thy seed be called. <sup>8</sup>That is, They which are the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God: but the children of the promise are counted for the seed. <sup>9</sup>For this is the word of promise, At this time will I come, and Sarah shall have a son.

Isaac -> spiritual seed – the children of promise

Ishmael -> physical -> children of the flesh.

Nothing in this chapter is about salvation.

It is about who the actual nation of Israel is, the chosen people of God. It is not a chapter about who God chooses who goes to hell and who goes to heaven.

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### Predestination:

Rom 8:29-32 <sup>29</sup> 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. <sup>30</sup> 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. <sup>31</sup> What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us? <sup>32</sup> He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

Beforehand God knew who would be saved and who would not be saved. God's "predestinate" means that God's plan is that believers should be conformed into the image of his Son and is based on foreknowledge. God foreknows, knows beforehand who will be saved and who will not be saved.

Eph 1:5-11 <sup>5</sup> Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will, <sup>6</sup> To the praise of the glory of his grace, wherein he hath made us accepted in the beloved. <sup>7</sup> In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace; <sup>8</sup> Wherein he hath abounded toward us in all wisdom and prudence; <sup>9</sup> Having made known unto us the mystery of his will, according to his good pleasure which he hath purposed in himself: <sup>10</sup> That in the dispensation of the fulness of times he might gather together in one all things in Christ, both which are in heaven, and which are on earth; even in him: <sup>11</sup> 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:

All these verses in Eph 1 means that God predestines believers to glory, to be conformed into the image of Jesus, holy and without blame before Him. All this is based on FOREKNOWLEDGE.

### L – Limited Atonement:

Calvinists teach that Jesus did not die for everybody.

#### Jesus died for all people:

1 Tim 2:3-6 <sup>3</sup> For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Saviour; <sup>4</sup> Who will have all men to be saved, and to come unto the knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup> For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; <sup>6</sup> Who gave himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time.

1 Tim 4:10 <sup>10</sup> For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, specially of those that believe.

Tit 2:11 <sup>11</sup> For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men,

Rom 5:18 <sup>18</sup> Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life.

Heb 2:9 <sup>9</sup> But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels for the suffering of death, crowned with glory and honour; that he by the grace of God should taste death for every man.

1 John 2:1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous: <sup>2</sup> And he is the propitiation for our sins: and not for ours only, but also for the sins of the whole world.

John 1:7 <sup>7</sup> The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe.

2 Pet 2:1 But there were false prophets also among the people, even as there shall be false teachers among you, who privily shall bring in damnable heresies, even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

### I – Irresistible grace:

Acts 7:51 <sup>51</sup> Ye stiffnecked and uncircumcised in heart and ears, ye do always resist the Holy Ghost: as your fathers did, so do ye.

Calvinists say if God chooses you, then you can not resist from being saved. You can not resist the grace.

General rule: Never base doctrine on a question. Always base doctrine on a statement.