The predestination of Jehovah and the predestination of God Father

There are two different predestinations in the Bible: the predestination of God the Father and the predestination of Jehovah.

The <u>predestination of God Father</u> is **NOT ABSOLUTE** as regards of establishing an **INEXORABLE FATE** to men, for his desire of all men to be saved (1 Timothy 2:4) is above his Omniscience to know whoever will be save or not. In addition, the predestination of God the Father is **CONDITIONAL**.

On the opposite hand, the <u>predestination of Jehovah</u> is indeed **ABSOLUTE** and **IRREVERSIBLE**, for in the Old Testament Jehovah often MANIPULATED minds and hearts of men in order to satisfy his own predilections. For this reason, he hardened Pharaoh's heart many times (Exodus 4:21; 7:3; 9:12; 10:20 and 27; 11:10; 14:4 and 8), as well as the Egyptians' hearts (Exodus 14:17) and Sihon, king of Heshbon (Deuteronomy 2:30).

If God Father wants all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth, as 1 Timothy 2: 4 says, He certainly would not intent to **MANIPULATE** people or situations in order to save some people and punish other, without any chance to them, as Jehovah did many times. This is one more proof that Jehovah and God Father are not the same person.

The <u>predestination of God Father</u> is absolutely **JUST, UNIVERSAL, WITHOUT PREJUDICE and IMPARTIAL**. The true God Father does not show favoritism for anyone, that is, God is not favorable to someone just because of his race or hereditary aspects. For this reason, Peter said in Acts 10:34 and 35 ... "I now realize how true it is that God does not show favoritism but accepts from every nation the one who fears him and does what is right".

The Father **DOES NOT INTERFERE** in the fate of any men, although He **KNOWS PREVIOUSLY** everything. This means that the true God Father does not treat men as if He were a "puppeteer", which plays with the fate of people as if he was manipulating his puppets.

On the opposite hand, the <u>predestination of Jehovah</u> was **ELITIST, EXCLUSIV, PARTIAL and DISCRIMINATORY**. Jehovah clearly favored the Jews, prejudicing all the people from other nations. Jehovah had his own favorite ones, as for example David. David was forgiven for his sins of murder and adultery because he was a Jehovah's "favorite". If he was not, certainly he would be destroyed.

Another Jehovah's "favorite" was Abraham, which permitted the adultery of his wife Sara with the Pharaoh (Genesis 12:10-20). Neither Abraham nor Sara were punished by Jehovah for their consensual sin. Surprisingly, the punished one was Pharaoh, who thought Sara was Abraham's sister (Genesis 12:17-19), just because Pharaoh was not a Jehovah's "favorite"!

Therefore, whereas the Jehovah's *"favorites"* were spared, the *non-favorites* were implacably punished according to Jehovah's law (Leviticus 20:10; Deuteronomy 22:20-22).

The <u>predestination of God the Father</u> for individuals is **CONDITIONAL**, that is, it may be that a person who was predestined for salvation but has fallen from grace will not be saved because it was not approved.

In addition, the <u>predestination of God the Father</u> to individuals is **conditional** because the final destiny of people **does not depend only on God the Father**. Although the true God never changes and always remains faithful (2 Timothy 2:13), the part that depends on men is subject to the decisions that each individual makes by his free will.

That is why God the Father allows people all over the world to be like fish in an ocean or animals in large forests, living freely and exposed to the influences of the environment around the world. He does not close people in aquariums or cages because if he did so he could not select those who voluntarily want to be part of his kingdom.

When God Father told Ananias that Paul was his **chosen instrument** to proclaim his name to the Gentiles **before the conversion of Paul** (Acts 9:15), He was prophesying through his Omniscience, for God the Father "calls to things that they are not as if they were "(Romans 4:17).

However, this does not mean that if Paul fell and desisted from being within the plan of salvation, God would become less severe, just because Paul was "predestined" to be minister of the Gentiles. Paul knew that he needed to persevere until the end of his career and that is why he said in 1 Corinthians 9:27 ... I strike a blow to my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.

The possibility of anyone to become out of God's way does always exist. In 2 Peter 2:20 it is written: "If they have escaped the corruption of the world by knowing our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and are again entangled in it and are overcome, they are worse off at the end than they were at the beginning".

There are many texts in the Bible that confirm the possibility of someone to loose the salvation that had achieved, if he does not persevere:

Matthew 24:12-13 ... Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold, but **the one who** stands firm to the end will be saved.

Matthew 10:22 ... You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved.

2 Peter 1:10 ... Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to **confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble**,

Hebrews 6:4-6 ... It is impossible for those who have once been enlightened, who have tasted the heavenly gift, who have shared in the Holy Spirit, who have tasted the goodness of the word of God and the powers of the coming age and who have fallen away, to be brought back to repentance. To their loss they are crucifying the Son of God all over again and subjecting him to public disgrace.

Hebrews 10:26-39 ... If we deliberately keep on sinning after we have received the knowledge of the truth, no sacrifice for sins is left, ... How much more severely do you think someone deserves to be punished who has trampled the Son of God underfoot, who has treated as an unholy thing the blood of the covenant that sanctified them, and who has insulted the Spirit of grace? ... You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised. ... But we do not belong to those who shrink back and are destroyed, but to those who have faith and are saved.

All those texts alert us that the door of the kingdom of God Father is always open, both for those who want to enter and for those who want to leave.

Jesus never deprived men the capacity of free option to choose their own way. Jesus had known since the beginning which of his disciples did not believe and who would betray him (John 6:64). When many of his disciples turned back and no longer followed him, He didn't punish them, but said to the others that remained: "You do not want to leave too, do you?" (John 6:66 and 67).

Jesus doesn't force anyone to make a decision if there is no spontaneity. Jesus, who is the personification of God the Father, said in Revelation 3:20 ... Behold, I stand at the door and knock: if any man hear my voice and open the door, I will come in to him, and sup with him, and he with me.

Jesus said: "many are invited; few chosen" (Matthew 20:16; 22:14). Then, according to this order, first comes the **INVITATION**, and later comes his **CHOICE**. The choice is related to the selection of the approved ones.

In the <u>predestination of Jehovah</u>, free will does not exist, because of the prevailed will of an "elitist god".

When Paul referred in Romans 9:17 to 22 to whom hardened Pharaoh's heart, he was referring to Jehovah. Therefore in the verse 22 he said "What if Jehovah, choosing to show his wrath and make his power known, bore with great patience the OBJECTS OF HIS WRATH – **PREPARED FOR DESTRUCTION**".

As for the God Father, the chosen ones are the **APPROVED** and **SELECTED** ones, whereas for Jehovah, the chosen ones were the **FAVOURITES** and the **PREFERRED** ones.

Jehovah loved Jacob, but hated Esau (Malachi 1:2 and 3). Jehovah was pleased with the offering of Abel, but he didn't look with favor to the offering of Chaim (Genesis 4:4). Isn't this a prejudice and favoritism against the disliked ones?

On the opposite hand, the Son of God Father showed his disciples the full extent of his love washing their feet, even of Judas Iscariots, the one who would betray him (John 13:1).

In his plan of predestination, Jehovah kept in mind a terrene and temporary kingdom, which should be governed by him. The warrior Messiah (not Jesus!) would be the guardian responsible to keep the observation of the Old Testament's law up, under an iron scepter (Psalms 2:9).

This incoherent law included male circumcision, Sabbath keeping, sacrifice of animals, abstention from certain foods, authorization to retaliate at the basis of an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth and other merely ceremonial rules, which Paul considered to be **rubbish** (Philippians 3:8).

In that tyrannical kingdom, all the people of the earth would be submitted to the "elected people", that are the Jews. They would be continually serving the "favorites" as mere menials (Isaiah 61:5).

Jehovah predestined the Jews to be his **SERVANTS** whereas the foreign people should be **SERVANTS OF THE SERVANTS**, in a terrene and temporal kingdom, which is described in Isaiah 54:17; 65:9 and 13; 65:20.

On the other hand, the God Father predestined people from every race and land to be adopted as his legitimate **SONS** through Jesus Christ in a heavenly and everlasting kingdom (Ephesians 1:5). In that kingdom there is no tyranny, no prejudice, no favorites and no predilections.

In the God Father's kingdom there will be no necessity of an iron scepter to rule, because whoever will inhabit on it, decided voluntarily to do the will of God Father and to follow the commandments of Jesus.

In the Old Testament there was no prospect of everlasting life with God Father in a kingdom in the heavens. The future kingdom prophesied by Jehovah only refers to physical and temporal elements.

When someone becomes a child of God Father through Jesus, **his destiny of doom is changed**. The road to perdition is interrupted and a new glorious prospect is opened to him.

In Jude 22 we read that this ransom is dramatic, for it says "save them by snatching them out from the fire". So the man not reconciled to God is already in the fire of hell, even if it is not in the suffering of the body, but in the soul.

The men of this world are just like beasts and irrational animals, which act only by instincts of species preservation, without expressing any kind of love to the neighbor, compassion, repentance, and mortification.

This is a hereditary inheritance that comes from the first Adam, which is mentioned in 1 Peter 1:18, where we read that through Christ we were rescued from our **VAN WAY OF LIVING**, which we **received from our fathers**.

Many Christians are eating the bread full of worms and stink that Jehovah gave to the people of Israel (Exodus 16:20). However, if they eat the bread from heaven that Jesus has to give, they will certainly have life, as we read in John 4: 48-51.

This present world is destined for destruction as 2 Peter 3: 10 says ... The heavens will disappear with a roar; the elements will be destroyed by fire, and the earth and everything done in it will be laid bare. Therefore, the kingdom prophesied by Jehovah, which is based on this planet and its solar system, is fanciful and is no more than a lie.

Hell was originally created for the devil and his angels, as Matthew 25:41 says. Jesus does not send anyone to the lake of fire. Conversely, Jesus **RESCUES** those who are reconciled to God Father from the tragic fate to which they were predestined.

In 2 Corinthians 4: 4 we read that "the <u>god of this world</u> **BLINDED** their **UNDERSTANDINGS** lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ shine unto them." However, he who allows Jesus to open his eyes to see the truth will no longer be blind, because his understanding for spiritual things will be definitely open.

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