

## Dual Explanation of Occurrences

- Review (What is the big point that is foundational to this topic?)
  - This guides the entire discussion
- Review (Defining the differences between libertarian vs compatible)
  - This naturally raises questions concerning the nature of our “doing”
  - Do we really make choices?
  - Do we do anything in our salvation?
  - These are reasonable questions that require rational & biblically informed answers.

### 1st) Understanding God’s ordaining of the ends and the means

- A) God predetermines the outcome of all history.
  - a) This represents God’s decree over the ends
    - i) Isaiah 46:10
- B) God predetermines the methods of accomplishing all of history
  - a) This represents God’s decree over the means
    - i) Joshua 6:2-5

### 2nd) This principle is pervasive and assumed in 3 major categories

- A) Initial Salvation
  - a) Election, Regeneration & Conversion
    - i) Jn. 6:37-44, Acts 16:14
  - b) Security & Perseverance
    - i) 1 Pt. 1:4-5
    - ii) Hebrews 3 (1-6)
- B) Current Salvation
  - a) Grace & Obedience
    - i) Phil. 2:12-13
    - ii) Eph. 2:10
- C) Inspiration
  - a) Divine Authorship\ul style="list-style-type: none;">  - i) 1 Tim. 3:16 ----- Dual Authorship : 2 Pt. 1:20-21
- b) Human Authorship/
  - i) Opening to letters

### 3rd) We must be willing to let the Bible inform and re-adjust certain presuppositions we may attach to particular terms with respect to their definitions

- Love
- Justice
- Marriage

“Peter is emphatic that all believers have received an eternal ‘inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven’ for us (1 Peter 1:4). The future hope of our salvation is secure. How is this so? Because ‘God’s power’ guards this inheritance (1 Peter 1:5). If Peter had stopped here, we would have a truncated view of our eternal security, and it might lead to a carelessness that takes this truth for granted. God certainly protects the salvation of all his children, but it doesn’t happen strictly because this isolated statement says so. Rather, Peter indicates that this protection is secured through particular means, that is, “through faith.” (v.5). God ensures that everyone who is truly saved continues to be saved because his faith endures, perseveres, and holds fast until the end.

Such a faith is not generated by our own resources. It is a supernatural faith supplied by God. he decreed such faith in the lives of those whom he chose for salvation. Yet at the same time, his chosen ones actively exercise this enduring commitment, persevering in order to demonstrate that God is always at work in them. One can understand neither the doctrine of sanctification nor the doctrine of the eternal security and perseverance of the saints without this compatibilist perspective.”