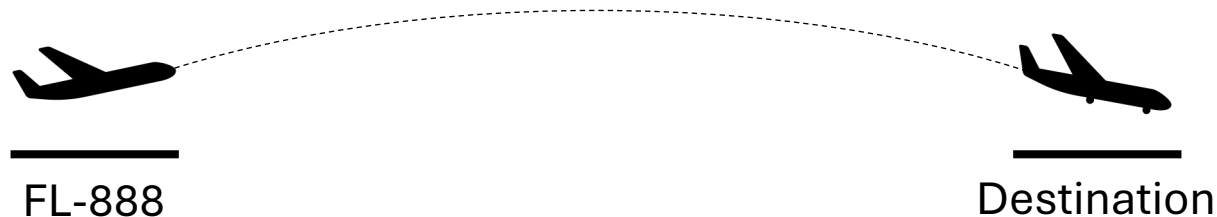


Predestination and Election

Consider an analogy:



Analogy

The destination of FL-888 is planned (i.e., predestinated) before takeoff, and a plane is chosen (i.e., elected) to fly this route. Anyone is free to purchase a ticket for this flight, board the plane, and arrive with it at its Destination.

Reality

God the Father chose Jesus Christ (i.e., election) and promised Him eternal life before the world began (Titus 1:1-2). Anyone may exercise personal faith in Jesus Christ (Acts 16:30-31; Revelation 22:17), at which time he is baptized into the Body of Christ (1 Corinthians 12:12-13); he is a new creature “in Christ” (2 Corinthians 5:17). Then, he is “chosen ... in Him” (Ephesians 1:3), “accepted in the Beloved” (Ephesians 1:6), and “predestinated to [be] ... glorified” with Him (Romans 8:29-30).

Biblical types: 1) houses in Egypt with blood on doorposts and lintel (Exodus 12:21-23); 2) Rahab’s house with scarlet thread (Joshua 2:19)