SERMON NOTES

"Election"

Ephesians 1:3-6 9/9/18 — Pastor Doug Echols — Bethel Baptist Church

"Election is the gracious purpose of God, according to which He regenerates, justifies, sanctifies, and glorifies sinners. It is consistent with the free agency of man, and comprehends all the means in connection with the end. It is the glorious display of God's sovereign goodness, and is infinitely wise, holy, and unchangeable. It excludes boasting and promotes humility." -Baptist Faith and Message 2000

- 1. Election is a mystery
- 2. Election affirms the character of God
 - God is loving
 - God is sovereign
 - God is gracious
- 3. Election does not negate the need of personal belief
- 4. Election is in Christ
- 5. Election should lead to <u>humility</u>