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<u>2013 Basic Doctrines (01)</u> (The Eternal Life Conference)

Definition: "The Eternal Life Conference (ELC) was a heavenly convocation held among the three members of the Godhead to lay out the Plan of God <u>before the foundation of the world</u> (creation) (Gen.1:26-27)."

The Greek word for foundation is (katabole) [casting down]. As a metaphor, it refers to laying down a foundation.

There is another Greek word for foundation used metaphorically to refer to what was being built (themelios) (1 Cor.3:10-12) upon the foundation of (katabole).

This lesson will study <u>five aspects of the ELC</u> that were part of laying down the foundation of salvation in Jesus Christ.

Each point will use the Greek word (katabole) for foundation.

1. The First coming of Jesus Christ into human history began a revelation of things hidden since creation, or the foundation of the world.

Jesus explained this was why He taught by parables"

(Matt.13:34-35) "This was to fulfill what was spoken through the prophet: 'I will open My mouth in parables; I will utter things hidden <u>since the foundation of the world</u>." (Ps.78:2) [Quote]

2. It was decreed at the ELC that the God the Son would be sent to redeem mankind from Adam's Original Sin (AOS).

(1 Pet.1:20-21) "For **He was foreknown** before the foundation of the world (ELC), but has appeared in these last times for the sake of you, who through Him are believers in God, who raised Him from the dead and gave Him glory, so that your faith and hope are in God."

3. At the ELC, the Godhead chose or elected every Church Age Believer (CHB) to be IN Christ forever.

(Eph.1:4) "Just as He chose us in Him <u>before the foundation of the world (ELC</u>), that we would be holy and blameless before Him." (Gal.3:27; 1 Cor.12:13; John 14:16; Eph.1:13-14)

4. The love between God the Father and God the Son was the sustaining power for Jesus to suffer for the sin of the world with joy (Heb.12:2; John 1:29; 3:16; 1 Tim.1:15; Rom.1:16; 1 Cor.15:1-4).

(John 17:24) "Father, I desire that they also, whom you have given Me, be with Me where I am, so that they may see My glory which You have given Me, for You loved Me <u>before the foundation of the world</u>." (Jn.10:17-18)

5. It was decreed at the ELC that the crucifixion and resurrection of Jesus Christ would become the consummation or apex of the Last Days of human history (Gal.4:4; Rom.5:6).

(Heb.9:26) "Otherwise, He would have needed to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now once at the <u>consummation of the ages</u> He has been manifested to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself." (1 Pet.1:20) [Last times]; (Heb.4:16-18; Heb.5-10; Heb.9:28; 10:10-14 and 18).