

THE DOCTRINES OF GRACE

LESSON 1

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

- Monergism—from the Greek meaning essentially “to work alone”
 - o Belief that God works alone to bring about our salvation
 - o Monergism is associated with Calvinism
- Synergism—from the Greek meaning essentially “to work together”
 - o Belief that God works together with us to bring about our salvation
 - o Synergism is associated with Arminianism

- The five points of Arminianism contrasted with the five points of Calvinism (TULIP):

The Arminian View	The Calvinist View
1. Free will	1. Total depravity
2. Conditional election	2. Unconditional election
3. Unlimited atonement	3. Limited atonement
4. Resistible grace	4. Irresistible grace
5. Falling from grace	5. Perseverance of the saints