

many brethren" mean that those whom God chose from mankind in eternity before the creation of the world, He also foreordained in eternity before the creation of the world to be conformed to the character of His Son in order that His Son might be the Head of a multitude of saved people.

The Greek verb **ἐκάλεσεν** which is translated "he called" means "to call or to invite one to something,"¹⁰⁰ and it refers to the call of God to salvation. This call is not the external call to salvation which is extended to all mankind, but it is the effectual call to salvation which is only extended to those whom God has chosen from mankind and foreordained to be conformed to the character of His Son. This call is called an effectual call because those who receive it respond to the external call to salvation, and are actually saved. This meaning of the Greek verb **καλέω** "to call" is verified by its use in such passages as First Corinthians 1:9 where we read, "God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord."¹⁰¹ Thus the Greek clauses **οὓς δε προώρισεν, τούτους καὶ ἐκάλεσεν** which are translated "whom he did predestinate, them he also called" mean that those whom God foreordained in eternity before the creation of the world to be conformed to the character of His Son, He also effectually called to salvation in time.

The Greek verb **ἐδικαίωσεν** which is translated "he justified" means "to declare or pronounce one to be just, righteous, or such as he ought to be."¹⁰² Thus the Greek clauses **καὶ οὓς ἐκάλεσεν, τούτους καὶ ἐδικαίωσεν**

¹⁰⁰Ibid., p. 321.

¹⁰¹I Cor. 1:9.

¹⁰²Thayer, op. cit., p. 150.