INFRALAPSARIAN ORDER OF THE ELECTIVE DECREE

1) The decree to create mankind.

PRINCIPLE: You cannot elect what does not exist. For God to elect anyone, they must first of all be created.

2) The decree to permit the Fall.

PRINCIPLE: Condemnation must precede salvation. If man is in need of salvation then he is obviously in a fallen condition.

3) The decree to provide salvation for all mankind.

PRINCIPLE: The doctrine of unlimited atonement, the principle that Christ died as a substitute for the sins of all mankind, not just a predetermined few.

4) The decree to deposit in escrow rewards & blessings in time and eternity for those who believe in Christ.

PRINCIPLE: The first thing God did for us was to bless us.

5) The decree to elect those who believe in Christ and to leave in just condemnation all who do not believe.

PRINCIPLE: God provides all men free will to accept or reject His grace offer of salvation through faith alone in Christ alone.

6) The decree to apply salvation to those who believe in Christ.

PRINCIPLE: Each individual must first choose God's plan of salvation, after which, God decrees to save that person's soul and impute eternal life to his human spirit.