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Isaiah 43:10: Ye *are* my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I *am* he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.

Believers born of God are the LORD's witnesses that we may know, believe and understand who Christ is. A witness knows by personal, firsthand experience the facts of a matter. Were it not for God's eternal election no one would ever know Christ, believe Christ or understand that Christ is God eternal, the Lord, the only Savior (Col 1:12-19). Before even the first day of the creation our great I AM purposed how Christ would save his elect people. Our Savior has spoken by all the prophets from the beginning. He has saved and showed his power and wisdom to save throughout the ages by not letting one of his everlastingly loved children be plucked from his hand. Christ came forth exactly on time and has made atonement for every elect child of God by his accomplished redemption through his blood. The Spirit of God came and showed us through his gospel what Christ had done for us so that we rest in him (2 Tim 1:9-10). *Therefore, ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God.*