

Give Christ Praise

Doxology

Jude 24-25

“Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever. Amen.”

Praise Christ for His Security “keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory...” After all of the warnings about false teachers creeping into the church and messing things up, Jude affirms the Church that Christ is worth it! Jesus is worthy of our endurance, our struggle, our fighting for the truth of the gospel! In fact, Jude ends this book with a very encouraging doxology! The word doxology means to give thanks or praise! When we take part in the Lord’s Supper at the end of this service, we are taking part in the Eucharist, the Greek word for giving thanks! We are giving God thanks for the sacrifice of His son, Christ!

This first part Jude reminds us to praise Jesus for the security that He provides! Rest in the security of salvation! Allow me to give you a few Biblical examples.

John 1:12-13: *“But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, 13 who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.”*

John 6:37: *“All that the Father gives me will come to me, and whoever comes to me I will never cast out.”*

John 10:28-29: *“I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. 29 My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand.”*

Romans 8:29-30: *“For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. 30 And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.”*

We can praise Christ, not wondering our worrying! If He has saved you, He seals you with the Holy Spirit! You might doubt some, but at the end of the end rest in this fact, the Holy Spirit reminds and reassures you of your salvation. (Romans 8:16) *“The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,”*

Praise Christ for Granting Believers Satisfaction “with great joy...” Why should we be satisfied in Christ? Because of Him, you can stand and bask in the presence of God! The Holy Spirit dwells within every believer, bringing true satisfaction.

John 15:11: *“These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.”*

John 16:22: *“So you also have sorrow now. But I will see you again. Your hearts will rejoice, and no one will take away your joy from you.”*

Philippians 4:4: *“Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, rejoice.”*

Romans 15:13: *“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit, you may abound in hope.”*

Praise Christ for His Supremacy “be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.”

Colossians 1:15-20 *“He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. 16 For by[a] him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. 17 And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 18 And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. 19 For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, 20 and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.”*

We can praise Christ for our salvation! If you are not able to praise Him, give your life to Him today!