

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.

MAIN IDEA

Eternal security builds upon the foundation that Jesus is Lord and empowers the church to worship as she waits for His return.

How does eternal security build upon the foundation of Jesus?

1. Jesus keeps us

a. Salvation and sanctification

- i. "The steps of a man are established by the LORD, when he delights in his way; though he fall, he shall not be cast headlong, for the LORD upholds his hand."
(Psalm 37:23-24)

2. Jesus presents us

a. Blameless

- i. "Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the church and gave himself up for her, that he might sanctify her, having cleansed her by the washing of water with the word, so that he might present the church to himself in splendor, without spot or wrinkle or any such thing, that she might be holy and without blemish."
(Ephesians 5:25-27)
- i. "In the same way God looked until His sinless Son as He placed Him on the cross as our sacrifice, so He will present you and me sinless, faultless, clothed in the imputed righteousness of Christ. But now note the place of this presentation: "before the presence of His glory." We will not just stand faultless anywhere, we will stand faultless before/ in the presence of the glory of God."
(Danny Akin)

b. Displaying His glory

c. With great joy;

- i. "Then I heard what seemed to be the voice of a great multitude, like the roar of many waters and like the sound of mighty peals of thunder, crying out:
"Hallelujah! For the Lord our God the Almighty reigns. Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come and his Bride has made herself ready; it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure..." (Revelation 19:1-8)

What is the Church empowered to do?

1. We praise Him for His glory;
2. We praise Him for His majesty;
3. We praise Him for His dominion;
4. We praise Him for His authority
 - a. "God's eternal radiance was crystallized in Jesus Christ; so was his majesty, the kingly greatness which suffers without complaint; so was his control, in the lordship of Jesus; so was his authority over men, nature, and the demonic. Such is our God, such are his eternal qualities, unveiled in Christ." (Michael Green)

Why Does This Matter?

1. Because today matters. Eternal security aims to help us cultivate a deeper longing for God in:
 - a. Salvation;
 - b. Growth and maturity;
 - c. Anticipation

Benediction | Jude 24-25

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