

Contend for the Faith

Session 7: Kept by the Power of God!

Jude 1:24 Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, **25 To** the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.

We are preserved in Christ Jesus. Gods word is incorruptible!

1Peter 1:3 *Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, which according to his abundant mercy hath begotten us again unto a lively hope by the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.*

Everything that is based upon the strength of man to provide what only God can provide, will come to nothing.

1 Peter 1:21-23 everything of the flesh will pass away (**will come to nothing, will not be able to produce good fruit**) because it is corruptible. God's Holy Spirit inspired Word is incorruptible. It will accomplish what it was sent to do

1 Corinthians 2:9-14 Nothing spiritual can be understood without the Holy Spirit revealing it. Spiritual things operate within a realm that is outside of man's natural understanding. They must be spiritually accessed! The Holy Spirit is our God connection that connects us to the things of the kingdom!

Everything that is not based upon God's Word or upon Spiritual truth will be shaken and done away with because it is corruptible!

Hebrews 12:27 *And this word, Yet once more, signifieth the removing of those things that are shaken, as of things that are made, that those things which cannot be shaken may remain.*

28 *Wherefore we receiving a kingdom which cannot be moved, let us have grace, whereby we may serve God acceptably with reverence and godly fear: **29** For our God is a consuming fire.*

Strong's Concordance definitions:

Shaken: to waver, that is, agitate, rock, topple, destroy; to disturb

Moved: shaken

Grace: divine influence upon the heart and its reflection in the life, favor

Consuming: to do away with completely

Fire: fire lightning (**a sudden flash of bright light**) illumination

God reveals the true things of the kingdom to us by the Holy Spirit or in other words by Grace (**the divine influence of God upon our heart**). The Holy Spirit brings the truth that is incorruptible to light. The truth exposes the lies of the flesh that come to nothing.

Jeremiah 23:29 *Is not my word like as a fire? saith the LORD; and like a hammer that breaketh the rock in pieces?*

He breaks the rock or stronghold (lie) that keeps us in bondage by the power of revelation. One word from God, one ah ha moment breaks the power of a lie that holds us captive.

No other foundation can be laid!

. **1Corinthians 3:11** For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. **1Corinthians 3:12** Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble; **13 Every** man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is. **14** If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward. **15 If** any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

Everything of the flesh will pass away. If our spiritual foundation is based on works or upon the law, it will not stand. We will suffer loss. We will have put in a lot of work with no reward.

However, our spiritual well being is not based upon our works. It is based upon God's Word And it will stand.

Jude 1:1 We are made Holy by God and preserved in Jesus.

Gods word will accomplish what he has purposed! The same Word (**fire**) that exposes the error will preserve the truth. Man may suffer loss, but he himself will be saved yet so as by fire. Gods word is incorruptible!

Matthew 29:1-12 The workers in the vineyard all got the same wage, even though some put in a full day's work and some only worked the last hour. Everyone got the wage that master agreed to pay them!

Psalms 89:34 My covenant will I not break, nor alter the thing that is gone out of my lips.

Not everyone that is doing work for God is doing it according to the will of God.

Matthew 7:21 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that does the will of my Father which is in heaven. **22** Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? **23** And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

Depart from me you that work iniquity (**you that are occupied with the things of the law!**) I never knew you! You were not occupied with the true things of the kingdom; therefore you won't be able to enter into the true things that pertain to the kingdom. When our ways are different than Gods ways, we will not be able to access that kingdom within us where righteousness peace and joy abide because the things of the law don't produce the same fruit.

Romans 14:17 The kingdom of heaven is not meat and drink, but righteousness, peace and joy in the Spirit.

He is the author and the finisher of our faith! He is faithful that promised. **1 Corinthians 2:2** I determined to know nothing among you but Jesus Christ and Him crucified that the power might be of God and not of yourself! He is the vine and we are the branches. **He will not leave us or forsake us even when we are unfaithful.**

Romans 3:3-4 let God be true and every man a liar

Isaiah 40:26 *Lift up your eyes on high, and behold who hath created these things, that bringeth out their host by number: **he calleth them all by names by the greatness of his might, for that he is strong in power; not one fails.***

Isaiah 14:24-27 what God has purposed will come to pass!

Jude 1:20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost, **21 Keep** yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life. **24** Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, **25** To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.