

TEXT: Jude 1:24-25

TITLE: "God Deserves Surpassing Glory!" (part 4)

→ God deserves praise because He is Able to Protect us from false teachers, He is Able to Present us blameless before Him, He is Unique, He is Savior, He is Reached through Jesus our Lord, and He is Worthy of Fullness of Praise.

Jude has warned us about false teachers who will infiltrate the work of God. He exhorts us to contend for the faith.

Jude now ends his little epistle with a Doxology of Praise. Herein, are reasons to offer up excellent praise to God. God deserves all our praise. He is worthy of honor from His children.

→ Why Does God Deserve Surpassing Glory and Praise?

1. He Is Able to Protect Us—1:24

2. He is Able to Present Us—1:24

3. He Is Unique—the Only One—1:25

4. He Is Savior—1:25

5. He Is Reached through Jesus, Our Lord—1:25

6. He Is Worthy of Fullness of Praise—1:25

A. Glory Belongs to the Father and to His Son!

B. Majesty Belongs to the Father and to His Son!

→ Under the heading, "High Status or Rank ... 'a state of greatness or importance—prominence ...'" (Louw & Nida, GELNTSD, p. 736).

1. Jesus was Seated at the Majestic Father's Right Hand

2. Jesus was Seated as Our High Priest at the Majestic Father's Right Hand

3. David blessed the LORD and Said the Greatness Belonged to Him!

4. This Word Shows the Exalted, Prominent Position of our God!

C. Dominion (P _____, S _____) = kratos
(Greek) Belong to the Father and to His Son

→ "the power to rule or control—'power, might'" (Louw & Nida p. 681).

1. Strength at the A_____ of the Virgin Birth

→ Luke 1:51 He has shown strength with His arm; He has scattered *the* proud in the imagination of their hearts.

→ **Quote:** "In the context of 1:51-53 it is designed to stress the power of God which none can withstand and which is sovereign over all" (TDNT, v. 3, p. 907).

2. Strength in the A_____ of the Word of God

→ Acts 19:20 So the word of the Lord grew mightily and prevailed.

3. Strength in the K_____ of His Power

→ Ephesians 1:19 and what *is* the exceeding greatness of His power toward us who believe, according to the working of His mighty power = STRENGTH of His Might!

4. Strength for Spiritual W_____

→ Ephesians 6:10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

5. Strength for a Worthy W_____

→ **Colossians 1:11** strengthened with all might, according to His glorious power, for all patience and longsuffering with joy;

6. Strength to the N_____ Dying God

→ **1 Timothy 6:16** who alone has immortality, dwelling in unapproachable light, whom no man has seen or can see, to whom be honor and everlasting power. Amen.

7. Strength at G____'s Glorification through Christ

→ **1 Peter 4:11** If anyone speaks, *let him speak* as the oracles of God. If anyone ministers, *let him do it* as with the ability which God supplies, that in all things God may be glorified through Jesus Christ, to whom belong the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

8. Strength for the Problem of S_____

→ **1 Peter 5:10-11** But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle *you*.¹¹ To Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.

9. Strength at the P_____ of the Church

→ **Revelation 1:6** and has made us kings and priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever

and ever. Amen.

10. Strength to the God E_____ and to the Lamb G_____

→ **Revelation 5:13** And every creature which is in heaven and on the earth and under the earth and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, I heard saying: "Blessing and honor and glory and power Be to Him who sits on the throne, And to the Lamb, forever and ever!"

11. Strength over the S_____ of the Devil

→ **Hebrews 2:14** Inasmuch then as the children have partaken of flesh and blood, He Himself likewise shared in the same, that through death He might destroy him who had the power of death, that is, the devil,

Applications:

1. Strength/Power/Might/Dominion Belong to the God of the Bible!

2. Jude Acknowledges God's Strength and Might!

3. To Acknowledge His Power is to Praise Him!

4. Our God has the power to save and to keep even in tumultuous, troubled times!

→ QUOTE: "κράτος also occurs in doxologies. ... It denotes the superior power of God to which the final victory will belong" (TDNT, v. 3, p. 908).