

Jude Series

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JUDE: CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

THE SPIRITUAL LIFE: EXPERIENTIAL SANCTIFICATION JUDE 1



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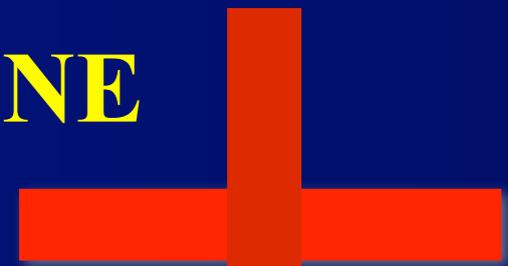
(I) To make separate, set apart to the service of God

Three stages of sanctification: positional, experiential, complete.

THREE STAGES OF SALVATION

PHASE

ONE



Justification

**Positional
Sanctification**

**Freed from
Penalty of Sin**

PHASE

Two

**Spiritual
Life**

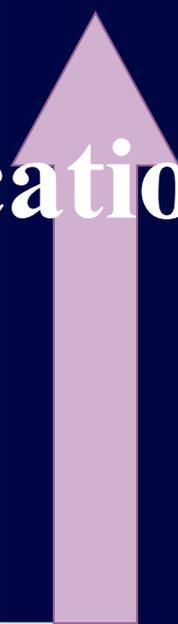
**Progressive
Sanctification**

**Freed from
Power of Sin**

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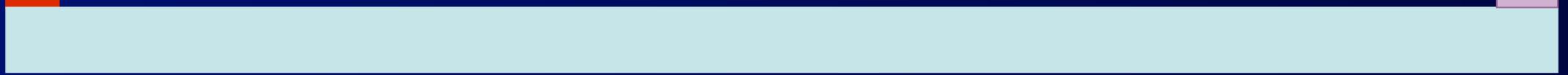
THREE

Glorification



**Ultimate
Sanctification**

**Freed from
Presence of Sin**



Phase One

1 Corinthians 1:2, “To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all who in every place call on the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:”

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perfect passive ptcp; completed past action with ongoing results

Phase One

1 Cor. 1:30, “But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us wisdom from God—and righteousness and sanctification and redemption”

Phase One

2 Thess. 2:13, “But we are bound to give thanks to God always for you, brethren beloved by the Lord, because God from the beginning chose you for salvation through sanctification [*by means of sanctification*] by [of, from] the Spirit and belief in the truth,”

Phase One

1 Pet. 1:2, “elect according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in [by means of] sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience and sprinkling of the blood of Jesus Christ: Grace to you and peace be multiplied.”

Phase One

Heb. 10:10, “By that will [because] we have been sanctified [perf pass ptcp] through the offering of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.”

Phase Two: Experiential, Progressive

John 17:17, “Sanctify them by Your truth. Your word is truth.”

Phase Two: Experiential, Progressive

Heb. 12:14, “Pursue peace with all people, and holiness [sanctification], without which no one will see the Lord:”

Phase Two: Experiential, Progressive

2 Cor. 7:1, “Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.”

Phase Two: Experiential, Progressive

Heb. 2:10, “For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

Heb. 2:11, “For both He who sanctifies and those who are being sanctified are all of one, for which reason He is not ashamed to call them brethren,”

Phase Two: Experiential, Progressive

2 Pet. 3:18, “but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him be the glory both now and forever. Amen.”

Phase Three: Final, Ultimate Sanctification

Eph. 5:27, “that He might present her to Himself a glorious church, not having spot or wrinkle or any such thing, but that she should be holy and without blemish.”

Phase Three: Final, Ultimate Sanctification

Jude 24, “Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to present you faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy,”

Phase Three: Final, Ultimate Sanctification

Rom. 8:29, “For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren.”

Phase Three: Final, Ultimate Sanctification

1 John 3:1, “Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.

1 John 3:2, “Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, for we shall see Him as He is.”

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τηρέω *tereo*

perf. pass. participle

“keep, preserve, obey”

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**φυλάσσω (phylassō),
aor act inf
guard, preserve, keep**

The Doctrine of Eternal Security

Introduction

Many Christians reject the idea of eternal security.

***Arminian:* Christians can lose salvation through the denial of Christ.**

***Lordship:* Nominal Christians who do not have the right kind of “fruit” were not saved to begin with. These affirm eternal security but take it away with their “back door” works validation.**

1. Definition

The work of God toward the believer at the instant of faith alone in Christ alone which guarantees that God's free gift of salvation is eternal and cannot be lost, terminated, abrogated, nullified, or reversed by any thought, act, or change of belief in the person saved.

Since God saves us, He also keeps us.

2. The PROBLEM:

**Eternal Security vs. Perseverance:
The Lordship Problem**

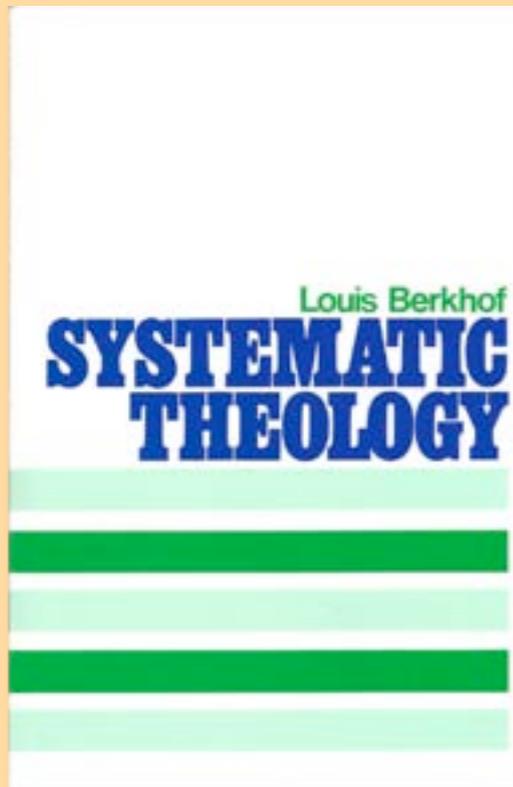
**Eternal Security vs. No Real Salvation:
The Arminian Problem**

a. **The Westminster Confession of Faith**

“They whom God hath accepted in his Beloved, effectually called and sanctified by his Spirit can neither totally nor finally fall away from the state of grace, but shall certainly persevere therein to the end and be eternally saved.”

“The doctrine of perseverance requires careful statement, especially in view of the fact that the term ‘perseverance of the saints’ is liable to misunderstanding... We should guard against the possible misunderstanding that this perseverance is regarded as an inherent property of the believer or as a continuous activity of man, by means of which he perseveres in the way of salvation.”

~Louis Berkhof



Louis Berkhof
(1873 – 1957)

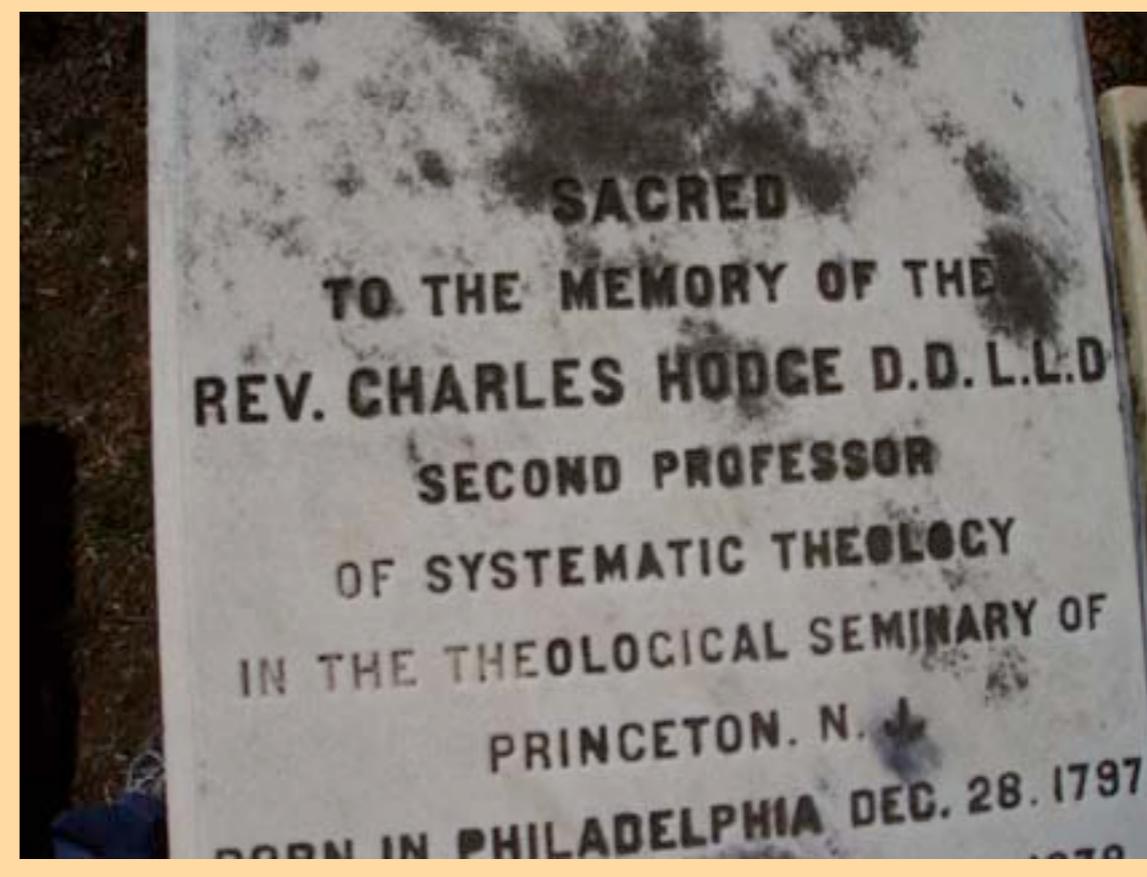
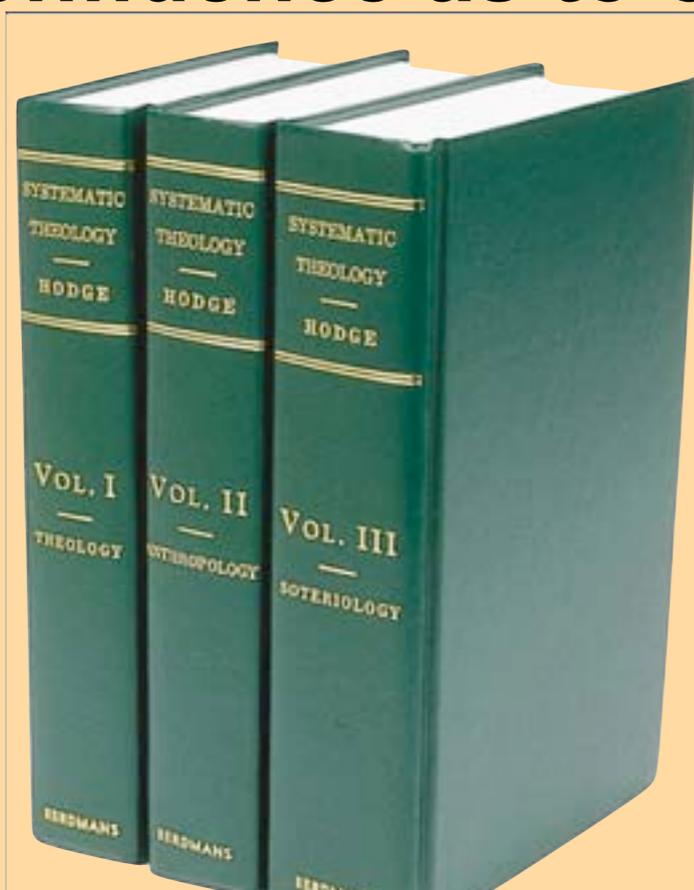
“...this devoted apostle considered himself as engaged in a life struggle of his salvation.”

~Charles Hodge, on 1 Cor 9:27

“Perseverance in holiness, therefore, in opposition to all weakness and temptations, is the only sure evidence of the genuineness of past experience, of the validity of our confidence as to our future salvation.”



**Charles
Hodge
(1797–1878)**

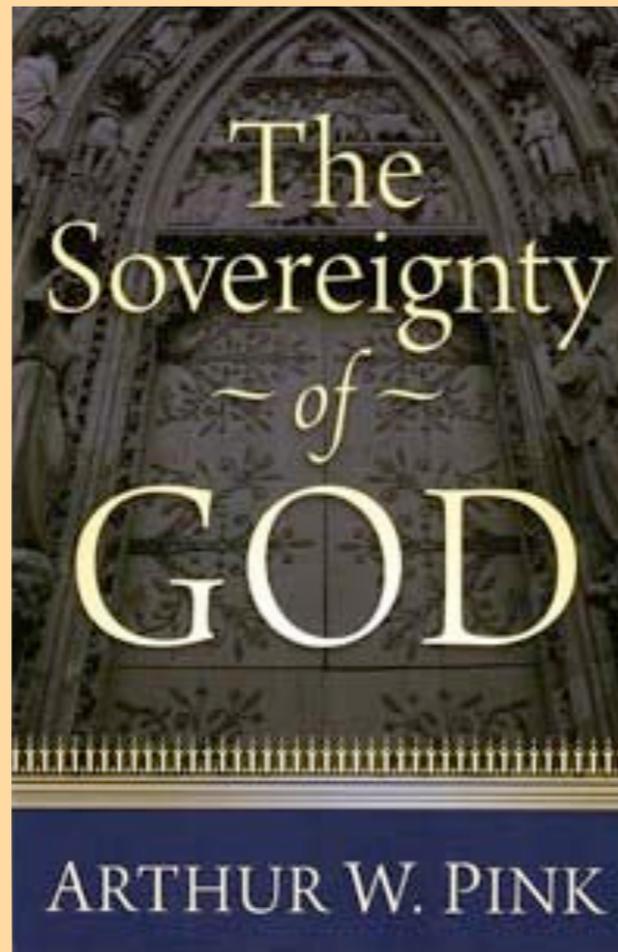


**“There is no saving faith apart from obedience...
There is no valid assurance of election and final
salvation for any man, apart from deliberate
perseverance in faith.”**

**~Robert Shank
Arminian Theologian**

“God preserves His people in this world through their perseverance.”

~A. W. Pink



3. The PURPOSE of God

Rom. 8:29, “For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to become conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the first-born among many brethren;

Rom. 8:30, “and whom He predestined, these He also called; and whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified.”

4. The POWER of God

Jude 24, “Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, and to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy,”

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John 10:28, “and I give eternal life to them, and they shall never perish; and no one shall snatch them out of My hand.

John 10:29, “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.”