

Jesus only

Jude 24&25 Message Reflection Guide

I had to learn to take from Him my spiritual life every second, to breathe Himself in as I breathed, and breathe myself out. So, moment by moment for the spirit, and moment by moment for the body, we must receive. You say, "Is not that a terrible bondage, to be always on the strain?" What, on the strain with one you love, your dearest Friend? Oh, no! It comes so naturally, so spontaneously, so like a fountain, without consciousness, without effort, for true life is always easy, and overflowing.

And now, thank God, I have Him, not only what I have room for, but that which I have not room for, but for which I shall have room, moment by moment, as I go on into the eternity before me. I am like the little bottle in the sea, as full as it will hold. The bottle is in the sea, and the sea is in the bottle; so I am in Christ, and Christ is in me. But, besides that bottleful in the sea, there is a whole ocean beyond; the difference is, that the bottle has to be filled over again, every day, evermore. From the sermon "Jesus Only" by A.B. Simpson

GETTING INTO THE SCRIPTURES Read Jude 24&25 (Doxology)

On Sunday Pastor Jason said: "Jesus Only" is the only way to live. Who has been an example of living for "Jesus Only" in your life? What did you learn from them that has shaped your discipleship?

Read through the whole book and then read the doxology again. How does the way Jude begin and end his letter teach about what is most important?

Why is it so important for us to know that we are secure in God? What does this verse tell us about God's desire to help us if we sin or mess up?

How does this verse reemphasize the exclusivity of salvation through Christ alone? To call someone Lord would mean to see them as either God or at least in authority over you. Why is this important for us not to separate what Christ has accomplished (salvation) and who He is (Lord)? What areas of your life are you tempted to not allow Him to be Lord (have control) over?

How to live for Jesus only: 1. Humble yourself. 2. Repent. 3. Trust in His power not your own. 4. Reach those who are lost. 5. Worship Him first and foremost. Of these 5 steps; which one do you find most challenging and why?

MAKING IT REAL

"Jesus Only" is a bold and courageous way to live. Many will resist and reject you for this choice. What fears do you have about living for Jesus first and foremost? In what ways do you need the Holy Spirit to help you live for "Jesus Only"? What is your next step in living for "Jesus Only"?