



NOW TO HIM WHO IS ABLE

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MY BRIDE



EPHESIANS 3: 20-21

- ²⁰ Now to Him who is able to do exceedingly abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that works in us, ²¹ to Him *be* glory in the church by Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen.



BOOK OF EPHESIANS

- Prison Epistle
- Written about 61 AD
- Ephesus was visited by Paul during 2nd Missionary journey
- Center for commerce and trade on the Mediterranean
- Worship of Artemis or Diana, mother of the Gods
- Chased out of Ephesus from a riot led by a silversmith named Demetrius (Acts 19)



DOXOLOGY

dox·ol·o·gy | \ dāk-'sä-lə-jē

- Noun
- : a usually liturgical expression of praise to God
- from the Greek term doxa, meaning "opinion" or "glory," and the suffix -logia, which refers to oral or written expression. It's logical enough, therefore, that "doxology" has referred to an oral expression of praise and glorification



DOXOLOGY CONT.

- Ephesians 5:19-20. They state "speaking to one another in psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs, singing, and making music with your heart to the Lord, giving thanks always for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another in the fear of Christ."
- Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise him, all creatures here below
Praise him above, ye heavenly host Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost
-1675 Anglican Bishop Thomas Ken



HOW DO WE LIVE WITH A DOXOLOGY IN OUR HEART?

- Ephesians 5: 22-33 (Respect)
- The Book of Hosea (Relationship)
- Micah 6:8 (Requirement)



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QUESTIONS TO PONDER

- Do you submit to Him?
- Are you in awe of Him?
- Are you listening for Him?
- Do you practice spiritual adultery?



THE BOOK OF HOSEA

- Minor Prophet
- In the times of King Uzziah, Jotham, Ahaz, Hezekiah.
- Hosea was a prophet to the Northern Kingdom of Israel.
- Married to Gomer.
- His relationship paralleled God's relationship with Israel.



THE BOOK OF HOSEA

- Idolatry, sinful behavior, lying, cheating, stealing, adultery
- No Mercy & Not My People
- God's wrath and Judgement vs. God's Mercy and Grace
- Continued love for a rebellious people



HOSEA 4: 1

- Hear the word of the Lord, O children of Israel,
for the Lord has a controversy with the inhabitants
of the land.
There is no faithfulness or steadfast love,
and no knowledge of God in the land;
- Hebrew *Yada* found 873 verses
- Gen. 4:1



THE BOOK OF MICAH

- Micah was a contemporary of Hosea
- Micah emphasizes God's sovereignty over all nation (Micah 4:11-13),
- God's immutability (Micah 7:18-20),
- The remnant (Micah 4:11-13),
- Divine redemption, and the messianic kingdom. (Micah 5)
- What does the Lord require of you? (Micah 6:8)



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CONCLUSIONS

- Ephesians 3:20-21
- Spiritual Discipline
- True Divorce Rates in the Church
- Proverbs 3
- Glory to God in the Highest

