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JUDE: CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

THE SPIRITUAL LIFE: EXPERIENTIAL SANCTIFICATION JUDE 1



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τηρέω *tereo*

perf. pass. participle

“keep, preserve, obey”

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,

**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 an 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

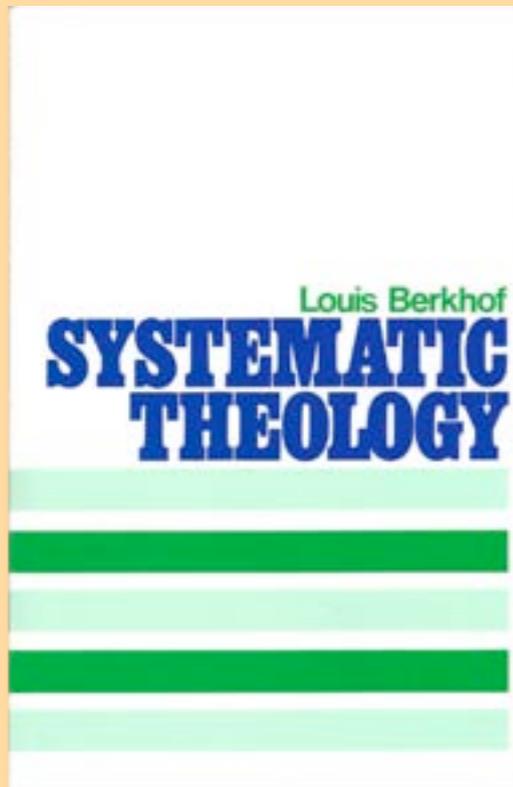
Eternal Security vs. No Real Salvation: The Arminian Problem

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

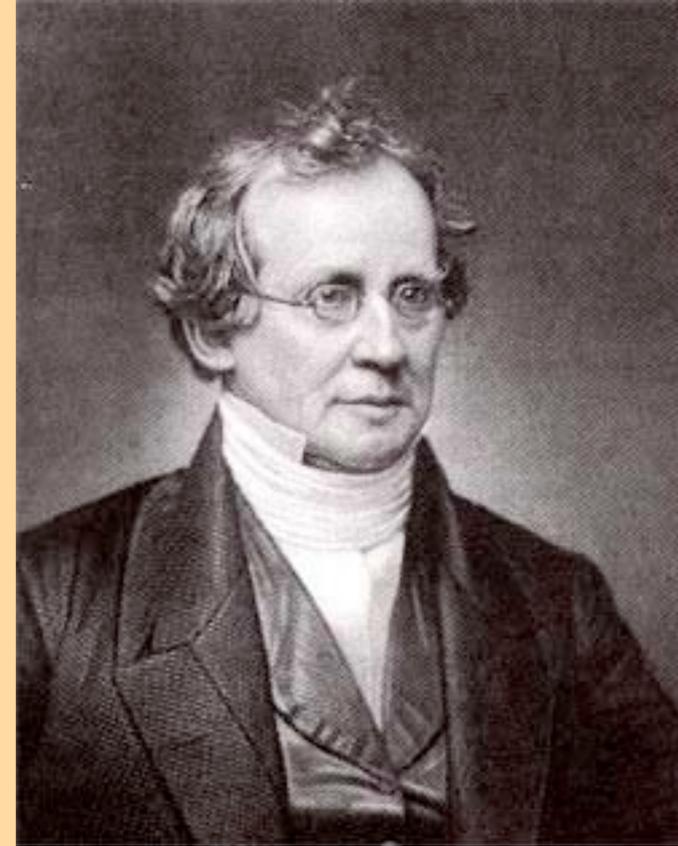


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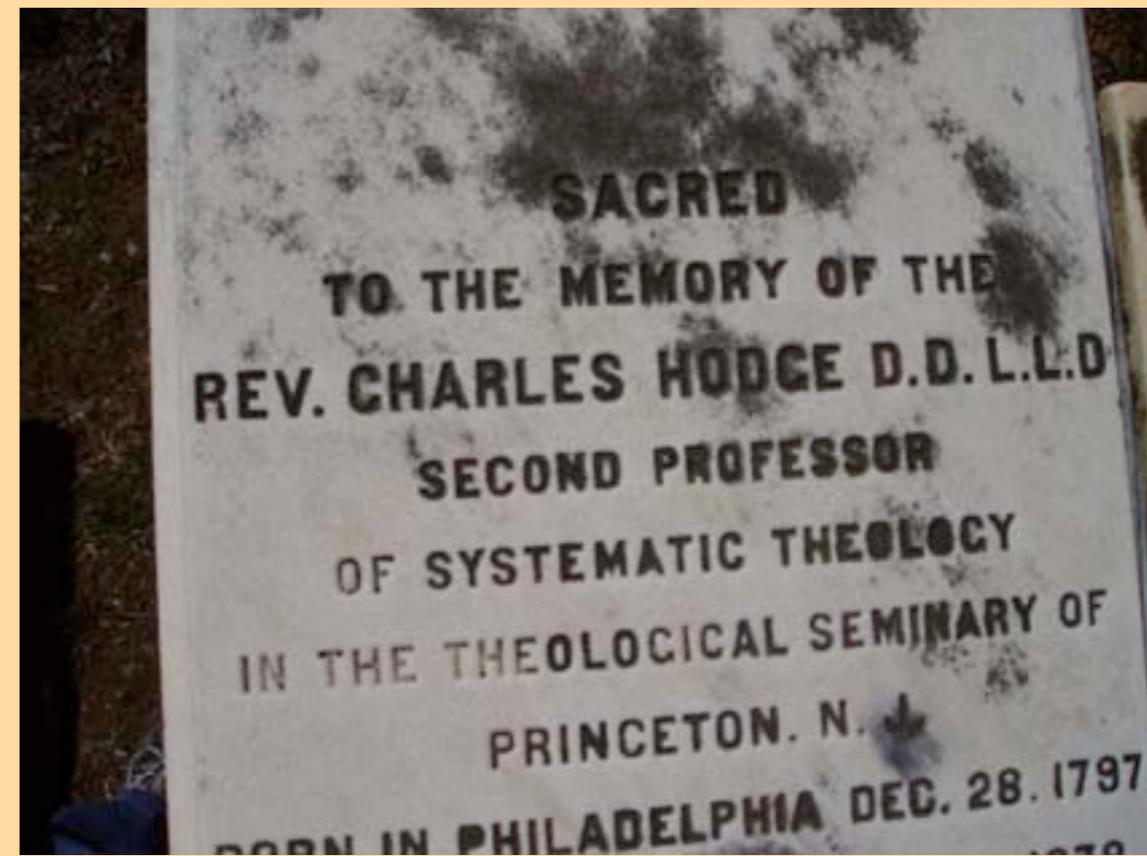
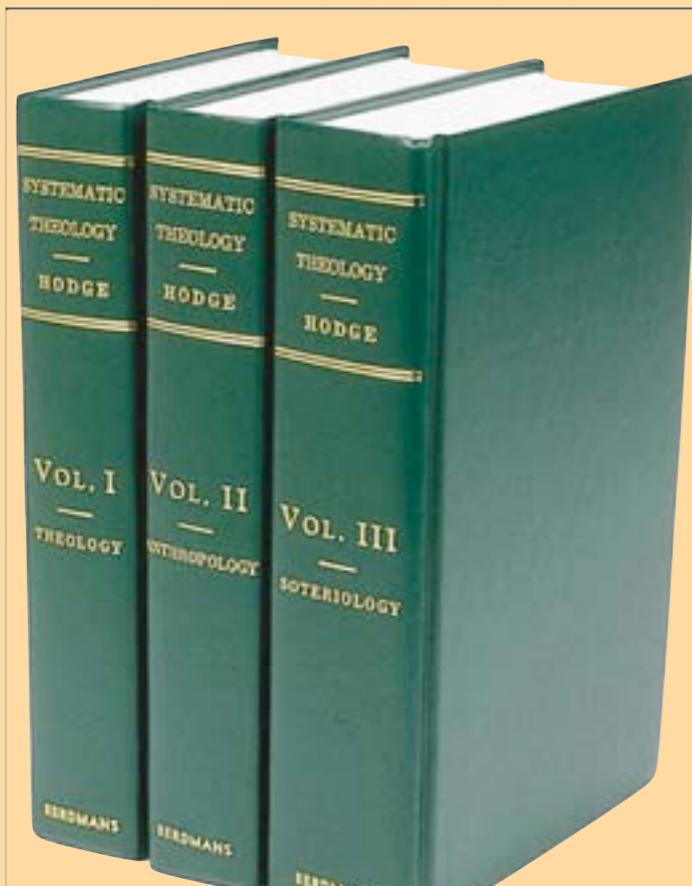
“...this devoted apostle considered himself as engaged in a lifestruggle of his salvation.”

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)**

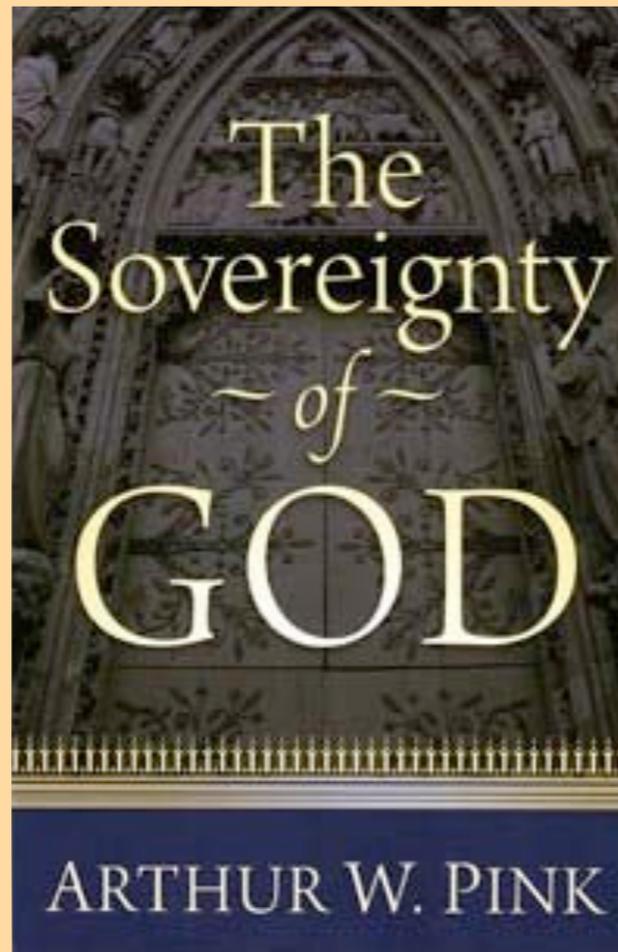


**“There is no saving faith apart from obedience...
There is no valid assurance of election and final
salvation for any man, apart from deliberate
perseverance in faith.”**

**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 1:24 ¶ 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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James 2:10 whoever shall keep the whole law, and yet stumble in one point, he is guilty of all.

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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.

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Heb. 7:25 Hence, also, He is able to save [sozo] forever those who draw near to God through Him, since He always lives to make intercession for them.

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1Pet. 1:4 to obtain an inheritance which is imperishable and undefiled and will not fade away, reserved in heaven for you,

1Pet. 1:5 who are protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

**φρουρέω *phroureō*;
to provide security, *guard, protect, keep*
to hold in custody, *detain, confine***

4. The POWER of God

2Tim. 1:12 For this reason I also suffer these things, but I am not ashamed; for I know whom I have believed and I am convinced that He is able to guard what I have entrusted to Him until that day.

**φυλάσσω *phulasso*
“to guard, keep, protect”**

5. The Love of God

Rom. 5:8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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6. The PROMISE of the Son

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.

7. The PRAYER of the Son.

John 17:11 “And I am no more in the world; and yet they themselves are in the world, and I come to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy name, the name which Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, even as We are.

John 17:12 “While I was with them, I was keeping them in Thy name which Thou hast given Me; and I guarded them, and not one of them perished but the son of perdition, that the Scripture might be fulfilled.

7. The PRAYER of the Son.

John 17:13 “But now I come to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy made full in themselves.

John 17:14 “I have given them Thy word; and the world has hated them, because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

7. The PRAYER of the Son.

John 17:15 “I do not ask Thee to take them out of the world, but to keep them from the evil one.

John 17:16 “They are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

8. Christ as the head of the body cannot sever a member once joined to the body;

1Cor. 12:13 For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free—and have all been made to drink into one Spirit.

1Cor. 12:21 And the eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you”; nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.”

9. The WORK of the Savior.

Rom. 8:33 Who will bring a charge against God's elect? God is the one who justifies;

Rom. 8:34 who is the one who condemns? Christ Jesus is He who died, yes, rather who was raised, who is at the right hand of God, who also intercedes for us.

9. The WORK of the Savior.

2 Tim 2:11-13

“Faithful is the Word. If we died with Him [and we have], we shall with Him. If we endure [in suffering for blessing], we shall rule with Him [as mature believers].

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2Cor. 1:22 who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

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Eph. 1:13 ¶ In Him you also trusted, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise,

Eph. 4:30 And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

14. The WORK of the HS.

2Tim. 2:19 Nevertheless the solid foundation of God stands, having this seal: “The Lord knows those who are His,” and, “Let everyone who names the name of Christ depart from iniquity.”

15. Our position in Christ protects us.

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**Jude 2 ¶ Mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to
you.**

Other Salutations

Rom. 1:7 ¶ To all who are in Rome, beloved of God, called to be saints: ¶ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

1Cor. 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:

Other Salutations

1Th. 1:1 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, ¶ To the church of the Thessalonians in God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ: ¶ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

2Th. 1:1 Paul, Silvanus, and Timothy, ¶ To the church of the Thessalonians in God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ:

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

2Pet. 1:2 ¶ Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the knowledge of God and of Jesus our Lord,

Jude 2 ¶ Mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you.

ἔλεος *éleos*. Mercy, compassion.

εἰρήνη *eirēnē*; Peace.

ἀγάπη *agápē*; love

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“It was also used more generally of any conflict, contest, debate, or lawsuit. Involved is the thought of the expenditure of all one’s energy in order to prevail. Here, as often, the verb is used metaphorically to denote a spiritual conflict in which believers are engaged. According to Alford, the preposition ἐπί in the compound “gives the purpose for which the fight is to be waged.” The defensive nature of the conflict is made clear by the following dative, “for the faith.”

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2Pet. 1:5 ¶ But also for this very reason, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue, to virtue knowledge,

Jude 4 For certain men have crept in unnoticed, who long ago were marked out for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into lewdness and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ.

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Jude 5 ¶ But I want to remind you, though you once knew this, that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe.

Jude 6 And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day;

Jude 7 as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to sexual immorality and gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Jude 8 ¶ Likewise also these dreamers defile the flesh, reject authority, and speak evil of dignitaries.

Jude 9 Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, “The Lord rebuke you!”

Jude 10 But these speak evil of whatever they do not know; and whatever they know naturally, like brute beasts, in these things they corrupt themselves.

Jude 11 Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the error of Balaam for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.

Jude 12 ¶ These are spots in your love feasts, while they feast with you without fear, serving only themselves. They are clouds without water, carried about by the winds; late autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, pulled up by the roots;

Jude 13 raging waves of the sea, foaming up their own shame; wandering stars for whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever.