1Ti 6:16 10-21-18

1. Last week I taught in part 1Ti 6:16 and when the clock tolled noon we were about study Jude verse 24 and 25 where we will learn more of the Greek word αιωνιον.

- 2. Before we resume our study I want to give you opportunity to use 1Jo 1:9 as may or may not be necessary.
- 3. Let me first give you an expanded translation of 1Ti 6:13-16.

### **Expanded Translation**

1Ti 6:13 Timothy, I command you in the sight of God and before Jesus Christ the creator of all things, Who made a profound confession before Pontius Pilate;"

1Ti 6:14 Timothy you must keep on demonstrating that which Christ professed: a profession, intact, unsullied, irreproachable and unblameable until the appearance of our Lord Jesus Christ at the Rapture:

1Ti 6:15 Which God in his very own time will show Who is that blessed and only Sovereign, the King of kings and Lord over all those ruling;

1Ti 6:16 Who, the Christ is most certainly the only one possessing an inherent immortality and perfection dwelling in the light; such perfection even the best of mankind cannot access or see to Whom be honor and power everlasting. Amen

4. As promised last week we are ready for an analysis of the Jude verses 24 and 25. What a wonderful promise we find in verse 24: Christ will present us to the Father "with great joy." Let's look a little closer at Jude 24 and 25.

### **NIV**

Jude 24 To him who is able to keep you from falling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy -- Jude 25 to the only God our Savior be glory, *majesty*, power and authority, through Jesus Christ our Lord, before all ages, now and **forevermore**! Amen.

#### **KJV**

Jude 24 Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,

Jude 25 To the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and **ever**. Amen.

5. Now let's close out an exegesis of the last two words found in 1Ti 6:16: "everlasting. Amen."

## EVERLASTING AMEN αιωνίοσ αμην

- 1. **Aionios** is well translated in the KJV "ever" and in the NIV "forevermore." Amen.
- 2. **Aionios** is an adjective/noun declined as an accusative singular. **Aionios** appears more than 70 times in the New Testament where it is rendered variously "world, age, ever, forever" or "world began." Examples:

Mat 18:8 Wherefore if thy hand or thy foot offend thee, cut them off, and cast them from thee: it is better for thee to enter into life halt or maimed, rather than having two hands or two feet to be cast into **everlasting** fire.

Joh 3:15 That whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have **eternal** life.

Joh 3:16 For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have **everlasting life.** 

Rom 6:22 But now being made free from sin, and become servants to God, ye have your fruit unto holiness, and the end **everlasting** life. Rom 6:23 For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is **eternal** life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Phm 1:15 For perhaps he therefore departed for a season, that thou shouldest receive him **for ever**;

Phm 1:16 Not now as a servant, but above a servant, a brother beloved, specially to me, but how much more unto thee, both in the flesh, and in the Lord?

2Ti 1:8 Be not thou therefore ashamed of the testimony of our Lord, nor of me his prisoner: but be thou partaker of the afflictions of the gospel according to the power of God;

2Ti 1:9 Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the **world** began,

2Ti 1:10 But is now made manifest by the appearing of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath abolished death, and hath brought life and immortality to light through the gospel:

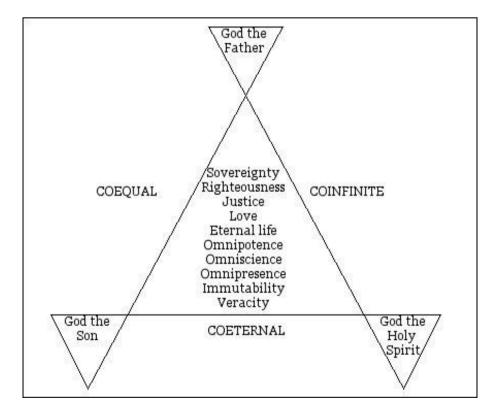
2Ti 1:11 Whereunto I am appointed a preacher, and an apostle, and a teacher of the Gentiles.

- 3. **Amen** is a transliteration of the Hebrew word **Aman**. **Amen** means simply "so be it."
- 4. Now let's see how 1Ti 6:16 looks by way of an expanded translation.

# **Expanded Translation**

1Ti 6:16 The Godman, Jesus Christ has immortality and dwells in unapproachable light. No one has ever seen the ascended Christ, nor can anyone see Him. To Him be honor, power and eternal dominion. Amen

5. Let's look at three essences of God which will help us better understand the meaning of "To Him be honor, power and eternal dominion."



1. God is One in Essence, i.e., all the divine essences are resident in each Member of the Godhead. There are three Personalities but One in Essence, such Essences are shared equally.

Rom 1:20 For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature--have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that men are without excuse.

Col 2:9 For in Christ all the fullness of the Deity lives in bodily form,

Isa 48:16 "Come near me and listen to this: "From the first announcement I have not spoken in secret; at the time it happens, I am there." And now the Sovereign LORD has sent me, with his Spirit.

Mat 3:16 As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on him.

Mat 3:17 And a voice from heaven said, "This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased."

- 2. We saw from these verses the intertwining of the several and collective personalities of the Trinity. **EL** is the usual word for "God" in Hebrew, Aramaic, and Arabic. In all three languages it is actually plural in form, but it is used with verbs in the singular; thus, a recognition grammatically that God is Three in One.
- 2.1 All three members of the Trinity possess equally the same essences, attributes, nature, perfections, and characteristics of personality.
- 2.2 The personalities of the Trinity are closely related, just as there is one egg, there is also the yoke, the white and the shell. Yet it is one egg.

Joh 10:30 I and the Father are one."

Joh 10:38 But if I do it, even though you do not believe me, believe the miracles, that you may know and understand that the Father is in me, and I in the Father."

Joh 17:11 I will remain in the world no longer, but they are still in the world, and I am coming to you. Holy Father, protect them by the power of your name--the name you gave me--so that they may be one as we are one.

Joh 7:37 On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, "If anyone is thirsty, let him come to me and drink.

Joh 7:38 Whoever believes in me, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him."

Joh 7:39 By this he meant the Spirit, whom those who believed in him were later to receive. Up to that time the Spirit had not been given, since Jesus had not yet been glorified.

- 2.3 So you can see from these verses the intertwining of the several and collective personalities of the Trinity, uniquely three in One, separate but One.
- 3. Sovereignty He has supreme volition and always has possessed the powerful rulership of all things.
- 3.1 There is no higher power or higher volition.
- 3.2 All things are subject unto Him.
- 3.3 Everything falls under the permissive Will of God.
- 3.4 God desires the best for us but because of our volition and imperfect choices, He provides less than the best but perfect.
- 3.5 God is sovereign and there will come a time at the 2nd Advent when the Father will say to the Son: "now is Your time, implement operation footstool." Until then however the Lord laughs from heaven at how seriously man considers himself.

Psa 2:1 Why do the nations conspire and the peoples plot in vain?
Psa 2:2 The kings of the earth take their stand and the rulers gather together against the LORD and against his Anointed One.
Psa 2:3 "Let us break their chains," they say, "and throw off their fetters."
Psa 2:4 The One enthroned in heaven laughs; the Lord scoffs at them.

Psa 100:3 Know that the LORD is God. It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.

Psa 104:17 There the birds make their nests; the stork has its home in the pine trees.

Psa 104:18 The high mountains belong to the wild goats; the crags are a refuge for the coneys (animals and birds seeking shelter).

Psa 104:19 The moon marks off the seasons, and the sun knows when to go down.

Psa 104:20 You bring darkness, it becomes night, and all the beasts of the forest prowl.

Psa 104:21 The lions roar for their prey and seek their food from God.

Psa 104:22 The sun rises, and they steal away; they return and lie down in their dens.

Psa 104:23 Then man goes out to his work, to his labor until evening.

Psa 104:24 How many are your works, O LORD! In wisdom you made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

Psa 104:25 There is the sea, vast and spacious, teeming with creatures beyond number-- living things both large and small.

Psa 104:26 There the ships that go to and fro, and the leviathan, which you formed to frolic there.

Psa 104:27 These all look to you to give them their food at the proper time.

Psa 104:28 When you give it to them, they gather it up; when you open your hand, they are satisfied with good things.

Psa 104:29 When you hide your face, they are terrified; when you take away their breath, they die and return to the dust.

Psa 104:30 When you send your Spirit, they are created, and you renew the face of the earth.

Psa 104:31 May the glory of the LORD endure forever; may the LORD rejoice in his works-

Psa 104:32 he who looks at the earth, and it trembles, who touches the mountains, and they smoke.

Psa 104:33 I will sing to the LORD all my life; Iwill sing praise to my God as long as I live.

Psa 104:34 May my meditation be pleasing to him, as I rejoice in the LORD.

Psa 104:35 But may sinners vanish from the earth and the wicked be no more. Praise the LORD, O my soul. Praise the LORD.

Phi 2:10 that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth,

Phi 2:11 and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Isa 45:23 By myself I have sworn, my mouth has uttered in all integrity a word that will not be revoked: Before me every knee will bow; by me every tongue will swear.

Rom 14:11 It is written: "As surely as I live,' says the Lord, 'every knee will bow before me; every tongue will confess to God."

Rev 5:13 Then I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and on the sea, and all that is in them, singing: "To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power, forever and ever!"

- 4. Eternal Life There never was a time when God was not; He always has been.
- 4.1 We have as believers (and in a sense so does the unbeliever) have "everlasting life" whereas God has "Eternal Life."
- 4.1.1 Everlasting life has a beginning but no ending.
- 4.1.2 Eternal life has no beginning and no ending.

Rev 1:8 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

Rev 1:11 Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

Rev 21:6 And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

Eph 2:10 For we are God's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.

Isa 48:16 Come ye near unto me, hear ye this; I have not spoken in secret from the beginning; from the time that it was, there am I: and now the Lord GOD, and his Spirit, hath sent me.

Isa 48:17 Thus saith the LORD, thy Redeemer, the Holy One of Israel; I am the LORD thy God which teacheth thee to profit, which leadeth thee by the way that thou shouldest go.

5. Omnipotence - God is all-powerful and limitless in ability.

5.1 For example:

5.1.1 God is mighty to save and to keep those who believe;

Rom 5:6 For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

Rom 5:7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die.

Rom 5:8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Rom 8:32 He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?

Joh 10:28 And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand.

2Ti 2:13 If we believe not, yet he abideth faithful: he cannot deny himself.

Gal 3:26 For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus.

Joh 1:12 But as many as received him, to them gave he power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on his name:

1Pe 1:4 To an inheritance incorruptible, and undefiled, and that fadeth not away, reserved in heaven for you,

1Pe 1:5 Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time.

Col 1:18 And he is the head of the body, the church: who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the preeminence.

1Co 12:21 And the eye cannot say unto the hand, I have no need of thee: nor again the head to the feet, I have no need of you.

1Co 12:22 Nay, much more those members of the body, which seem to be more feeble, are necessary:

2Co 1:21 Now he which establisheth us with you in Christ, and hath anointed us, is God;

2Co 1:22 Who hath also sealed us, and given the earnest of the Spirit in our hearts.

Eph 2:8 For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:

- 5.1.2 to believers He makes known ... "what is the exceeding greatness of His power;"
- 5.1.3 no one can remove us from the earth until it is the Lord's time.
- 5.1.4 There is nothing too hard for God.
- 5.1.5 There is nothing impossible with God.

Psa 147:5 Great is our Lord and mighty in power; his understanding has no limit.

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