Introduction

What if you knew that in spite of all of the dangers, storms and trials you will face in this life, God will bring you safely home? Would that make a difference to you?

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

“May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole spirit, soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it.” I Thessalonians 5:23-24

Today we are going to look at the benediction in Hebrews.

We can be confident because God has given us five great gifts.

I. His Blessing.

Peace – Shalom is more than the absence of conflict or strife. Shalom is contentment. It is well-being and wholeness.

It is what people are looking for when they are trying to find meaning and purpose in life.

Peace with God and peace with ourselves can only be found in a relationship with Jesus Christ.

He gives us his peace. John 14:27

II. His Promise.

The Eternal Covenant:

- It will never be replaced.
- It was purchased by his blood.
- It is unchangeable.
- Through this covenant he has given us all of his precious and magnificent promises.

This is our hope and that hope sustains us even as it did Jesus. Hebrews 12:2
III. His Shepherd.

We have Jesus, the best gift of all.

- He is risen from the dead.
- He has triumphed over all of his foes.
- He is the great shepherd.
- He leads us to good pastures.
- He invites us to come before God’s throne at any time to find mercy and grace to help us in our time of need. Hebrews 4:14-16

IV. His Equipping.

He has given us everything we need to live the Christian life.

The word equip means to make good or perfect or to mend.

It is putting right what is amiss in our life. He is doing that continually.

God is continually at work in our life to make us holy, useful and complete in Christ.

V. His Enabling.

He is working in us what is pleasing to him.

We were created to do good works. Ephesians 2:10

Apart from him we can do nothing. John 15:5

All of God’s works and all of his blessings in our life are done through Jesus and for Jesus. To him belongs the glory forever and ever.

Conclusion

Run the race set before you.

Fix your eyes on Jesus.

Look forward to what is to come.

All for Jesus! Amen.