Who Is Doing the Doing? Hebrews 13: 20-21

**Intro**: End of a Very Busy Day… So grateful for you!

 Put a Blessing on You… Good Words.

Benediction = Good Words

A Prayer – We are asking God for this blessing

A Promise – God is affirming His desire and intent

A Statement of Purpose – What God wants for Us.

***Amen*** = That is True… Certain… I affirm that…. Benediction…

 ***I’ll me have some of that!***

**Hebrews 13: 20-21**

Robertson – “*The noblest doxology in the New Testament*”

**READ**

Big Benediction…. Long and Deep!

**ILL** – One World Trade Center (highest in Western Hemisphere)

 1,776 ft. tall; 104 stories; 71 elevators; 45K tons of steel

 3 million square feet of space!

 Big Building requires a Big foundation… Deep to Bed Rock

 15K cubic yards of concrete == 60 miles of NYC sidewalks

***Deep Piers to the Bedrock of the Gospel***

* Trinitarian – God of Peace; Shepherd; working In us…
* Death (blood); Resurrection; and Lordship

God of All Peace points to the Gospel of Peace.

Justified by faith, we have Peace with God…

 Covenant = Promise… Sure and Certain

***Points to the very Pinnacle of Our Purpose***

**Exp** – *To Please Him*

 *To Glorify Him Forever*

 Put spotlight on God and find a smile on His face!

***The Basic Structure of the Benediction***

**Exp** – May God equip you to do His Will.

 …through Jesus Christ (blood and resurrection)

 …working within… Holy Spirit

 ***Equip*** – perfect; complete; put together in proper condition

 Outfit = solider with weapons; carpenter with tools

 ***His Will*** = Not so much some grand Calling or Venture

 Love Neighbor and Live Holy (Day by Day)

**God Gives Us All We Need to Do His Will.**

He not only gives us work to do; he fully outfits us for the Work!

**ILL** – Jeremiah, “*I can’t LORD. Too young, too afraid, not equipped*”

 ***The LORD reached out His hand and touched my mouth!***

**God Gives Us All We Need to Do His Will.**

***Protects Us from Pride***

Exp – Who is Doing the Doing when we are Doing God’s Will?

 ***“…to do His will; DOING in us…..***”

**Ill** – Pearl pranced into our house proud as a peacock.

* Coat, Hat, boots, mittens…. She knew she was something!

**App** – Pearl cannot dress herself! All Credit to Mom and Dad.

***Delivers Us from Despair***

Exp – Many people abandon hope of pleasing God.

 Oh I could never put a smile on His face; Do his Will.

* Too Weak; Too worthless; Too Far Gone…

**ILL** – If God was picking a team on the playground,

 I would be the last one chosen.

**1 Corinthians 1: 26-31**

**App** – Here we have a promise that is as Sure as ----

 The Blood of Jesus shed on the Cross

 The Resurrection of Jesus to Reign as Lord

 Rests on the Bed Rock of our Gospel of Peace

**God Gives Us All We Need to Do His Will.**

Conclusion: ***Breathe*** = Rest in His Covenant Promise.

 Our Prayer

 His Purpose

 His Promise

Rest in this Good Word… This Promise.

 Claim this Good Word for those you Love.

**Stand and Receive this Benediction…. AMEN.**

Prayer

Invitation

Amazing Grace