

Epistle 61

by George Fox

George Fox's Epistle 61 emphasizes the importance of living in the immortal seed of God to inherit His promises and maintain fellowship with Him and each other.

Scripture: Galatians 3:29

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Description

George Fox preaches about dwelling in the immortal seed of God, which is the promise, power, and kingdom of God, leading to an endless life. He emphasizes laying up treasure in heaven, where nothing can destroy. Fox highlights the unchanging nature of God's seed, Christ, which surpasses all worldly inventions and traditions. He encourages living in the power of God to experience everlasting fellowship and unity, ultimately leading back to God through Christ.

Transcript

Friends,--Dwell all in the immortal seed [1 Pet 1:23] of God, which is heir of the promise [Gal 3:29] of God, and doth inherit the same; so every one of you know the promise of God your portion, and the power of God your portion, and the kingdom of God, that is everlasting, without end, and the power of an endless life [Heb 7:16]; being heirs of that, come to inherit it, knowing it your portion, that ye may possess it, and increase in the same kingdom and power, and endless life.

Here ye lay up treasure in heaven, where the thief, moth, nor rust comes not [Mat 6:19f]. And know the seed of God, in which is the election [Isa 65:9?], that never altereth nor changeth; which seed never changeth, neither doth it submit to that which doth change, but standeth steadfast and distinct from all the changeables. Which seed endeth all types, figures [Heb 9], and shadows, and variable things [James 1:17], and typical things, that do change; which seed doth not change, which is Christ, which keeps above all the inventions, rudiments, traditions [Col 2:8], vain talkers [Tit 1:10], and babblers, that be in the world, and standeth when they will be all gone and have an end.

In which seed are power, wisdom, and life eternal, that remains for ever and ever, which hath the dominion in the life and power, and unchangeable wisdom of God, which is pure and gentle from above [James 3:17], and preserving above all the destroying; which keeps up the heads of the living to life; in that live. Which seed of God breaks the head of them that go out of the truth, to wit, the serpents [Gen 3:15]. And here life goes over all in renown and dominion, and the top stone comes to be laid over all.

So live in life, and the love, and the power of God, which was before man and woman fell; in that power ye are kept over all outward things, that have been set up, and are set up in the fall, which cause pride, and contention, and strife; which, if lived in, keeps out of the power, in which is the saints' everlasting fellowship, that stands and remains, and is everlasting, for ever and ever. In which power the living seed lives, and the living babes are preserved; in which power they have their food from the God of life, which is living, which nourishes the immortal babes up to the immortal God, with the immortal food; through which they come to be the living stones, that build up the spiritual household [1 Pet 2:5], who are the church in God; who are brought out of the state, where Adam and Eve with their sons and daughters are drove from God, up to God again by Christ, the power of God [1 Cor 1:24], who is the way to God, where the church is in God, that is the pillar and ground of Truth [1 Tim 3:15].

So all live in that which brings you up to God, out of the state of Adam and Eve, and their sons and daughters in the fall. In that power, (as I said before,) ye will have an everlasting fellowship with God, and one with another, which power of God was before the fall was. In that power ye will know one another, and see one another, in which ye shall ever be together; in which ye shall see and know your election [1 Th 1:4] before the world began [2 Tim 1:9]. So farewell.

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