

“to separate the precious from the vile” (chap. xv. 19, 20).

How preciously does ver. 24 lead us back to what we had at the commencement, viz., that we are “preserved by Jesus Christ ;” for it speaks of Him as the One who is able to keep us from (not only “falling,” but, as it should be, from even) stumbling, and to present us “faultless before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy.” Whose joy? In all things He hath the pre-eminence. “The joy of the Lord is your strength” (Neh. viii. 10).

Surely, beloved, we can heartily join—as another year closes—in the ascription,

TO
THE
ONLY WISE
GOD OUR SAVIOUR
BE GLORY AND MAJESTY,
DOMINION AND POWER,
BOTH NOW AND
EVER.
AMEN.

ERRATUM.—Page 201, line 2, for “Ezekiel xlvii. 1-10, 11,” read “Ezekiel xlvii. 1-10, 12.”