

Beware of the Pretenders or Acts of the Apostates

Jude

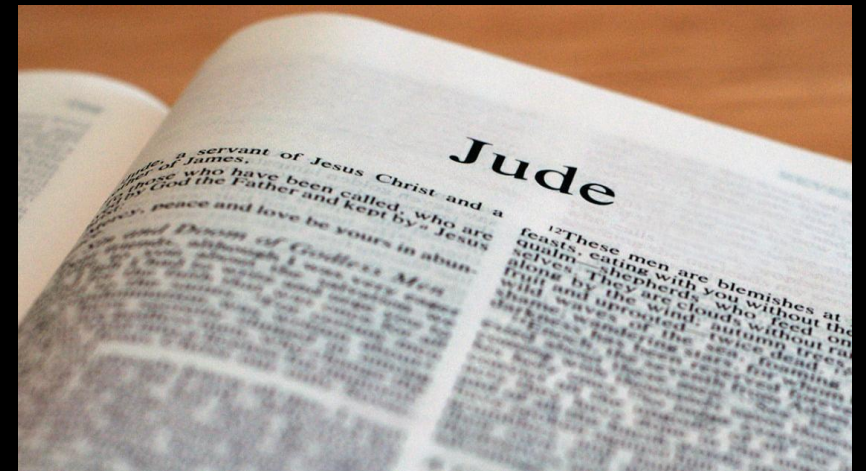
FAITH BUILDERS

Ransomware



Where is the book of Jude?

- 2nd to last book of the Bible
- Between 3rd John and Revelation



Theme and Outline

1. Theme: Beware of the Pretenders or Acts of the Apostate
2. Outline:
 - I. **Salutation (1-2)**
 - II. **The Danger of the Apostates (3-4)**
 - III. **The doom of Apostates (5-7)**
 - IV. **The description of Apostates (8-19)**
 - V. **The defense against Apostates (20-23)**
 - VI. **The concluding doxology (24-25)**

I. Salutation: Greeting and Audience (1-2)

A. Who wrote the Book?

A. Jude – “A Bond-servant of Jesus Christ and Brother of James”

B. Jude = English, Judas = Greek, Judah = Hebrew

B. When did he write the book?

A. AD68- AD70

C. Who is he writing to?

A. All Believers in the Church



Salvation

1. We are predestined by the foreknowledge of God
2. We are effectually called at the right time the Lord wants to call us.
3. We are converted with repentance and faith in Jesus Christ
4. At that moment we are justified with God.
5. We are adopted into the family of God and therefore joint heirs with Jesus
6. We are positionally sanctified, and we begin the process of progressional sanctification.
7. We have perseverance/ preservation - which means that we remain in Christ from the moment of salvation to the point of eternal glory and into eternity.
8. We are one day going to be glorified in our resurrected body.

Effects of Internal Call

- 1) Fellowship with Christ (1 Cor 1:9);
- 2) Peace (1 Cor 7:15);
- 3) Freedom (Gal 5:13);
- 4) A worthy walk (Eph 4:1);
- 5) Hope (Eph 4:4);
- 6) Holiness (1 Peter 1:15);
- 7) Blessing (1 Peter 3:9);
- 8) Eternal glory (1 Peter 5:10)

II. The Danger of the Apostates(3-4)

- A. The Theme in v.3 –Beware of the pretenders or Acts of the Apostates**
- B. Contend for the faith v.3**
- C. Creep in Unnoticed v.4**
- D. Deny our Master and Lord v.4**
- E. Turn to Sensuality v.4**

III. The Destruction of the Apostates (5-8)

A. Begins with Disbelief v.5

B. Ends with Destruction in Eternal Fire v.8



IV. Description of the Apostates (8-19)

A. Historical Examples:

1. The Exodus :v.5
2. Satans Rebellion v.6.
3. Sodom and Gomorrah v.7
4. Moses Death v.9
5. Cain v.11
6. Balaam v.11
7. Korah v.11
8. Enoch v.14
9. Adam v.14

IV. Description of the Apostates (8-19)

B. Attributes and Characteristics

1. Without fear
2. Caring for themselves
3. Clouds without water
4. Carried along with the wind
5. Without Fruit
6. Double dead
7. Uprooted
8. Wild waves of the seas
9. Wandering stars
10. Ungodly Sinners
11. Following after their own lusts
12. Speaking arrogantly
13. Flattering people for the sake of their own benefit.
14. Worldly minded
15. Ignorant
16. Self Destructive
17. Not having the spirit
18. Dreamers
19. Reject Authority
20. Mockers
21. Sexually Immoral
22. Deceivers
23. Creeping un-noticed (Sly or cunning)
24. Marked for condemnation
25. Sensual
26. Causing division

V. The Defense Against Apostates (20-23)

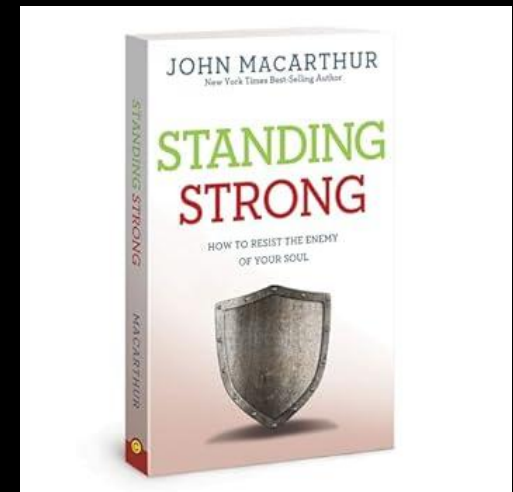
A. Building yourselves up in Faith v.20

B. Praying v.20

C. Keeping in the Love of God v.21

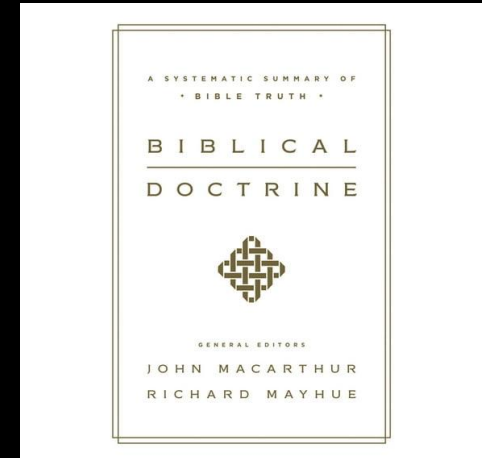
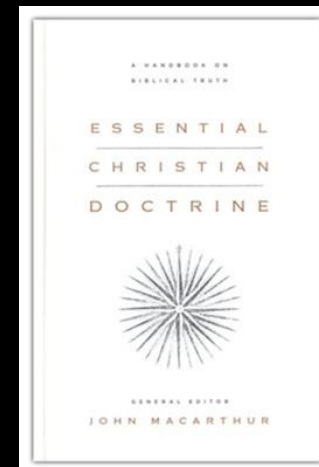
D. Wait Anxiously for Mercy of God v.22

E. Have Mercy on Others v.22-23



VI. The Concluding Doxology (24-25)

- A. Preservation of the saints v.24
- B. Standing in Christs Righteousness v.24
- C. With Great Joy v.24
- D. Praise God forever v.25



Applications

1. Be Informed: Know that God has initiated and completed salvation in your life – you are called, beloved and kept by God
2. Be Alert: Satan will use God's word to twist or say something that is not true, Know God's word and understand its context and purpose.
3. Be Discerning: You will know the false teachers by their attributes and their fruit.
4. Be Disciplined: Spend time personally to know the truth so you can easily identify apostasy.
5. Be Active: Praying in the Spirit, keeping yourself in the love of God
6. Be a fighter for the Faith: Jude says to contend for the faith. Fight for the gospel and those in the church who are true followers.
7. Be Joyful: God has saved you and preserves you.
8. Be encouraging and protecting: encourage the saints beside you, saving them from the enticing sensuality and deception of Satan.