

JUDE – LESSON THREE

INTRODUCTION:

Jude does not throw up his hands in defeat before the false teachers but arms his brethren with final instructions that will keep them from apostasy. Being engaged by remembering the apostles' warnings, building ourselves up in our faith, praying, saving others while ever acknowledging the glory of God will equip us today as it did in Jude's day to defeat the evil influence and words of false teachers.

I. FINAL EXHORTATIONS TO COMBAT APOSTASY (v. 17-25)

- A. Remember the warnings of the recent apostles – mockers will appear (v. 17-19) .
 - 1. Walk after own ungodly lusts
 - 2. Make separations – encourage a different way from the way revealed by the Spirit.
 - 3. Have not the Spirit.
- B. Looking to self: (v. 20-21)
 - 1. Building self up in one's holy faith
 - 2. Praying in Holy Spirit
 - 3. Keeping self in the love of God.
 - 4. Looking for coming of Lord in mercy unto eternal life
- C. Working to help and save others (v. 22-23)
 - 1. On some have mercy who are in doubt.
 - 2. On some save-snatching them out of the fire
 - 3. On some have mercy with fear – hating the garment spotted by the flesh.
- D. Giving Glory to God – Amen (v. 24-25)
 - 1. Acknowledging God's power to keep us from stumbling and then present us before him without blemish with great joy.
 - 2. The only God and Saviour through Jesus Christ our Lord deserves:
 - a. glory
 - b. majesty
 - c. dominion
 - d. power
 - 3. Acknowledging God's eternal nature – deserving of glory for all time.

QUESTIONS:

- 1. How important is our “memory” in equipping ourselves for spiritual battle?
- 2. What mocking were the mockers doing in Jude's day?

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3. Where do “separations” usually begin among brethren?
4. What **four things** can we do with ourselves that will make us spiritually strong?
5. What *attitudes* must I develop in trying to help and save others?
6. Why is it important to dwell and meditate upon the character of God?
7. Does God’s power to keep us from stumbling mean we have nothing to do in keeping ourselves saved?
8. Is God – the Father – our Savior?
9. How is God’s eternal or timeless nature described in the realm of time?
10. Has God always had glory, majesty, dominion, and power?