

JUDE

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QUESTIONS for REFLECTION

1. What did Jude want to write about (v. 3)? What did he actually write about? Why?
2. “The faith” refers to the sum of Christian teaching & doctrine. What, then, is so important about the statement: “which was once for all handed down to the saints”?
3. Verses 4-19 underscore the reasons we must “contend earnestly for the faith.” What do these verses tell us about the character of those putting the church at risk?
4. What do these verses tell us about the actions of these individuals?
5. What is their end or destiny? What word pictures are used?
6. How does remembering the words spoken by, or handed down by, the apostles build you up on your faith (v. 17)? C.f., Ephesians 6:17; 1 Timothy 4:6; Titus 1:9.

7. How does praying in the Holy Spirit build you up on your faith (v. 20)? C.f., Ephesians 6:18; Romans 8:26-27).
8. What does it mean to keep yourself in the love of God (v. 21)? How does this build you up on your faith? C.f., John 15:9, 10; 1 John 2:15.
9. How does waiting on the mercy of the Lord to eternal life build you up on your faith (v. 21)? C.f., 2 Timothy 4:8; James 5:7-8; 2 Peter 3:10-12).
10. How are we to also be merciful to others as we wait on the Lord's mercy (vv. 22-23)? What, in doing so, are the challenges to be experienced and the warnings to be heeded?

PERSONAL RESPONSE

I will remember the words of the apostles this week by . . .

I will pray in the Holy Spirit this week by . . .

I will keep myself in the love of God this week by . . .

I will wait for the mercy of our Lord this week by . . .