

BEFORE REVELATION: JUDE

¹ Jude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved in Jesus Christ, and called:

- Hebrew --- Name is Judah in Greek his name is Judas
- Believed to be one of the four brothers of Jesus- Apostolic Affirmation

² Mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.

³ Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

Preceding revelation: the solidifying of the common tenant's foundational teaching of salvation. You will be in a climate where you will have to contend: struggle to surmount (a difficulty or danger). "she had to contend with his uncertain temper"

Synonyms: cope with, face, grapple with, deal with, take on, pit oneself against "the pilot had to contend with torrential rain"

⁴ For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly men, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

- Ordained? Destined to be a deterrent to others of their faith in Jesus Christ. 2.. Ungodly? Then how did they creep in? 3... Telling you because of grace you can indulge in fleshly sins with impunity. 4... Denying the Lord (only) creating another Lord an "all inclusive"

ENSAMPLES TO EXPRESS HIS POINT

⁵ I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not.

Jude gives the example of the Jews whom God took out of bondage but refused to submit to the ordinances and statues and leadership of Moses.

⁶ And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

" The Angels which kept not their first estate left their covering to be covered by someone else (Lucifer) who was in opposition to the laws of God.

⁷ Even as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

Sodom & Gomorrah as the point of historical reference and cities around were not in the state of illicit sexual behavior but gave themselves over by going after. Example of suffering retribution of eternal fire.

⁸ Likewise also these filthy dreamers defile the flesh, despise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.

1... they give themselves over to impure suggestive behavior by focusing on imagery that's impure. 2... Always have issues with rules and regulations 3.. always have issues with leadership and instruction.

⁹ Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against him a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.

Michael : contending about the body of Moses ?

This has to be by revelation no one else was there. If there is anyone you can rail on or dis it would be the Devil- He chooses not to and God reveals Michaels response miraculously so we can look in contrast.

¹⁰ But these speak evil of those things which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves.

verse 18 the reason- Their responses are always grounded in the natural. Yet they quote a scripture occasionally to appear spiritual or to justify themselves in the eyes of the people but the sum is repeatedly a carnal outcome.

¹¹ Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.

¹² These are spots in your feasts of charity, when they feast with you, feeding themselves without fear: clouds they are without water, carried about of winds; trees whose fruit withereth, without fruit, twice dead, plucked up by the roots;

¹³ Raging waves of the sea, foaming out their own shame; wandering stars, to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness for ever.

¹⁴ And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints,

¹⁵ To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.

16 These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.

17 But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ;

18 How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts.

19 These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.

20 But ye, beloved, building up yourselves on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Ghost,

21 Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

22 And of some have compassion, making a difference:

23 And others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire; hating even the garment spotted by the flesh.

24 Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy,

25 To the only wise God our Savior, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen.