

Sermon Notes

Fighting for Our Faith, Living for Our Lord

Jude 1-19

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Jude's Purpose: Urging His Readers to Contend for the Faith

- The Christian faith—the basic truths we believe—was given once for all
- We must contend for this faith—in our own lives, and in the church

Tuning Up Our “Baloney Detectors”

- Know what the Bible really says
- Help the next generations learn the Bible's message
- Pay attention to how people use words
- Don't just automatically trust teachers—test what they say

False Teachers: Why the Readers Must Contend for the Faith

- These teachers had “weaseled” their way in
- They are perverting God's grace into license
- In doing so, they deny their Lord and Master, Jesus

The False Teachers Are Bad Company!

- Their basic fault: They are ungodly
- They are focused on themselves and their own desires
- They promise good, but bring harm
- They are among many who oppose God and His ways
- God is not surprised by them
- God will judge them

One Summary of the Gospel of Jesus Christ

- Everyone is under judgment for disobedience to God, which is called sin.
- But God so loves us that He sent His Son.
- The Son of God was in heaven, and came to earth as a human, Jesus.
- Jesus was sent to provide salvation.
- Jesus provided that salvation by dying on a cross.
- His dying on a cross paid the penalty for our sins.
- On the third day after dying, he rose from the dead, and in the following days was seen by hundreds of witnesses.
- When Jesus Christ comes again, all those who are "in Christ" will be made alive, resurrected to eternal life with God.
- Whoever believes/trusts in Jesus Christ shall not perish, but will have eternal life.

"The Faith"—What We Believe

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