

Doxology NOW to HIM!

Jude 24-25

Romans 8:28-39

John 10:26-31

Serious Letter (Jude)

Letter to Saints (Jude 1-2)

- Those who have been CALLED and SANCTIFIED (made different; made holy) by GOD (Rom 8:28-30) and PRESERVED in Jesus Christ.
- Those who are no longer enemies of God (Romans 5:10) but are at PEACE (Romans 5:1) with God because Christ is their PROPITIATION! (1 John 4:10)

ARE YOU A SAINT TODAY?

- Either you are a saint OR an enemy of God.
- Saints serve! (Exodus 3:12; 7:16; 8:1; etc.)
 - Bought with a price! We belong to God. (1 Corinthians 6:19-20)
- Saints are BONDSERVANT. (Matthew 20:28; Philipians 2:5-8)

Are You a Bondservant of God?

Are You a Good and Faithful Servant?

What is your evidence?

ONLY THOSE WHO SERVE GO TO HEAVEN!

Exhortation to Contend (Jude 3-4)

- Because we share in a common salvation made possible by Jesus the Christ we **must earnestly contend** for **the** FAITH (teachings and doctrines of the Bible) handed down to us!
- We **MUST STAND** for **the** FAITH – the one and only FAITH. (Eph 4:5)
- We have been **WARNED** that false teachers ARE ALREADY in the churches, on the radio, on television, writing books, all over the internet, etc.
- We have been **WARNED** that **MANY have been, are being and will be** deceived. (Matt 7:21-23; 24:4-5, 11, 24)
- If we do not **earnestly contend** we will be DECEIVED!
- We must **TEST** everyone and everything. (1 John 4:1; 1 Thess 5:21-22)

Warnings (Jude 5-13)



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Warning and Walk of Enoch (Jude 14-16)

- “to walk” - voluntary, goal orientated, steady progress.
- To walk with God one must: 1) Surrender completely to God; 2) be controlled by God’s Word; 3) live a sanctified life; 4) be in total agreement with God; 5) persevere no matter what happens.

Contending THE Faith (Jude 17-23)

- Eight exhortation for obey the command to “earnestly contend”.
 - ❶ **REMEMBER the WORD** – know the TRUTH! (Read it, Hear it, Meditate on it, Study it, **DO IT!**)
 - ❷ **REMEMBER that we have been WARNED.** (Matt. 24:4-5, 11; 7:15; etc.)
 - ❸ **BEWARE of DIVISIVE people.**
 - ❹ **BUILD ourselves up in the MOST HOLY FAITH.**
 - ❺ **PRAY in the SPIRIT.**
 - ❻ **KEEP ourselves in the LOVE of God.** (Meditate on all that God has done for you and has promised to do for you.)
 - ❼ **KEEP LOOKING** for Christ’s return. Philip 3:20-21; Titus Heb 9:28
 - ❽ **Encourage and Exhort Those BEING Deceived!** (2 Tim 2:24-25)

Now to Him! (Jude 24)

- Now to HIM who had made us SAINTS!
- Now to Him who gave us this MOST HOLY FAITH.
 - Who is **ABLE** (has the power and authority) to **KEEP** us from falling!
 - “to keep” φυλάσσω phulasso {foo-las'-so}: to guard, to protect, to guard a person that he may be safe; to watch carefully. Example: Peter in Luke 22:31-32. See 1 Peter 1:5; Jude 1; John 10:27-30; Psalm 121:3.
 - Who will **PRESENT** you **FAULTLESS!**
 - Christ will one day present HIS BRIDE faultless to His Father.
 - Revelation 14:5; Ephesians 5:27; Colossians 1:22, 28
 - With EXCEEDING JOY!
 - ★ Think of it! He will present us to the Father and it will be absolute joy for Him to do it! If Christ is JOYOUS how much MORE will we be FULL of JOY! (Hebrews 12:2; Psalm 149:4; Jeremiah 32:41)
 - ★ See Zephaniah 3:17 - He will rejoice over us!!!!

ONLY GOD (Jude 25)

- “only” at the beginning of the text for emphasis.
- THERE IS NO OTHER GOD.
 - Deuteronomy 6:4; 32:39; Isaiah 43:11; 44:6, 8; 45:5, 6, 14, 18, 21, 22; 46:9; 47:8, 10; Hosea 13:4; Joel 2:27

- India may be called the “land of a million gods” but there is ONLY ONE God.
- The Buddhists and Hindus may have their gods but there is ONLY ONE God.
- Jews, Mormons, Jehovah Witness may call their gods YAHWEH or JEHOVAH, but there is ONLY ONE God!
- Atheists may not believe in a god, but there is ONE God!
- Those who call themselves christians may have “their” god, but there is ONLY ONE GOD and HE HAS REVEALED HIMSELF IN THE SCRIPTURES! There is NO OTHER!
- **ONE GOD: The One who has revealed Himself in His Word.**
- If you are not a disciple then you do not know God. (John 17:2-3)
- **Opinions of God are BLASPHEMY!**
- **Opinions of God are IDOLATRY! Idolatry provokes God to anger.**

ONE SAVIOR (Jude 25; Acts 4:12)

- The ONE and ONLY God is **our SAVIOUR!** And there is NO OTHER! (1 Tim. 2:3; Titus 1:3, 4; 2:10, 13; 3:4-6; 2 Peter 1:1; Isaiah 44:6; **45:21-22**; 60:16)
- His name: Jesus Christ our Lord
 - **JESUS** - The man who came to take away His people’s sins.
 - **THE CHRIST** - God’s own ANOINTED ONE. (Psalm 2)
 - Our (the saints and non-saints) **LORD** (Romans 10:9-10; Acts 2:36; 10:36; Revelation 19:16; Philippians 2:11; 1 Corinthians 15:47; Matt 28:18)
 - ★ Disciples **bow down** NOW.
 - ✗ Unbelievers (those who are not disciples) will BOW.
 - ★ **MEDITATE ON THIS – HE SAVED US – THEREFORE . . .!**
 - There is, now, **no condemnation** for those who are *in Christ Jesus* . . .” (Romans 8:1)
 - Those who are *in Christ Jesus* are complete **new creations**; complete new persons. (2 Cor 5:17; Eph 2:10; 4:24; Gal 6:15; Col 3:10)
 - Those who are *in Christ Jesus* have been **freely** justified and redeemed (purchased; bought). (Romans 3:24)
 - Those who are *in Christ Jesus* have been given **eternal life**. (Romans 6:23)
 - Those who are *in Christ Jesus* can never be separated from the love of God. (Romans 8:38-39)
 - Those who are *in Christ Jesus* have been sanctified (chosen, called, separated, and equipped by God). (1 Cor 1:2)
 - Those who are *in Christ Jesus* are sons of God. (Gal 3:26; 1 John 3:1; John 1:12-13)
 - Those who are *in Christ Jesus* sit today at the right hand of God. (Ephesians 2:6)

→ Those who are *in Christ Jesus* are preserved. (Jude 1; John 6:39; 10:26-30; 17:11-12, 15; 1 Peter 1:5)

Alone Wise (Jude 25)

- “Who **ALONE** is wise!”
 - He, too, is **ALONE** good! (Luke 18:18-19)
 - All wisdom comes from HIM! (James 1:5)
 - READ Job 12:13ff and 28:12-28!
 - Psalm 147:5; Romans 11:34; Ephesians 3:10; 1 Timothy 1:17
- Read: Romans 11:33-36 (Isaiah 40:13-14)

To HIM Be . . .

- **GLORY!** The glory of man fades like a grass – but God’s glory is eternal! (1 Chronicles 29:11; Revelation 4:9-11; 5:13-14)
 - God’s glory is REAL while ours in nothing! (Isaiah 40:6-8; 1 Peter 1:24)
- **MAJESTY!** Or GREATNESS – our God is GREAT! He is King of kings! He is Lord of lords! **HE ALONE IS GOD!** (Deut. 10:17; Neh. 1:5; 9:32; Psa. 48:1; 77:13; 86:10; 95:3; 104:1)
- **DOMINION!** God alone is SOVEREIGN. He rules over everything! (Psa. 103:19; 115:3; Isa 14:24-27; 46:10-11; Dan 4:35; Job 23:13; Eph 1:11)
- **POWER!** ALL power belongs to God! (Psa. 62:11) All authority has been given to Christ! (Matthew 28:18; John 19:10-11; 17:2-3)

What Must We Do

- **REPENT!** (Revelation 2:5) We must repent of our complacency, laziness - lack of earnestly contending for THE faith. We must repent of our lack of knowledge of doctrine.
- **SUBMIT!** We must SUBMIT to GOD!
- **CLEANSE OURSELVES!** (1 John 3:3; 2 Corinthians 7:1; Hebrews 12:14)
- **CONTEND EARNESTLY!** (Jude 3; 1 Timothy 6:12; 2 Tim 1:13; 4:7-8; Revelation 12:11)
- **BE READY** by His definition! Watching and Doing. (Luke 12:37, 43)
- **BE THANKFUL** that we are privileged to SERVE the King of kings! (1 Thessalonians 5:18; Colossians 2:7; 3:15; Philippians 4:6; Revelation 7:12)

Amen (Jude 25)

- **Before time, NOW, and FOREVER! AMEN!**
- “This is the TRUTH” - ALL OF WHAT JUDE AS WROTE.
- **TRUTH:** Either we believe it and do it OR we do not do it proving that we do not believe it to be truth. If you do not believe we are not saved.
- **TRUTH:** We must not only believe it but we must be VALIANT for it. (Jeremiah 9:3)