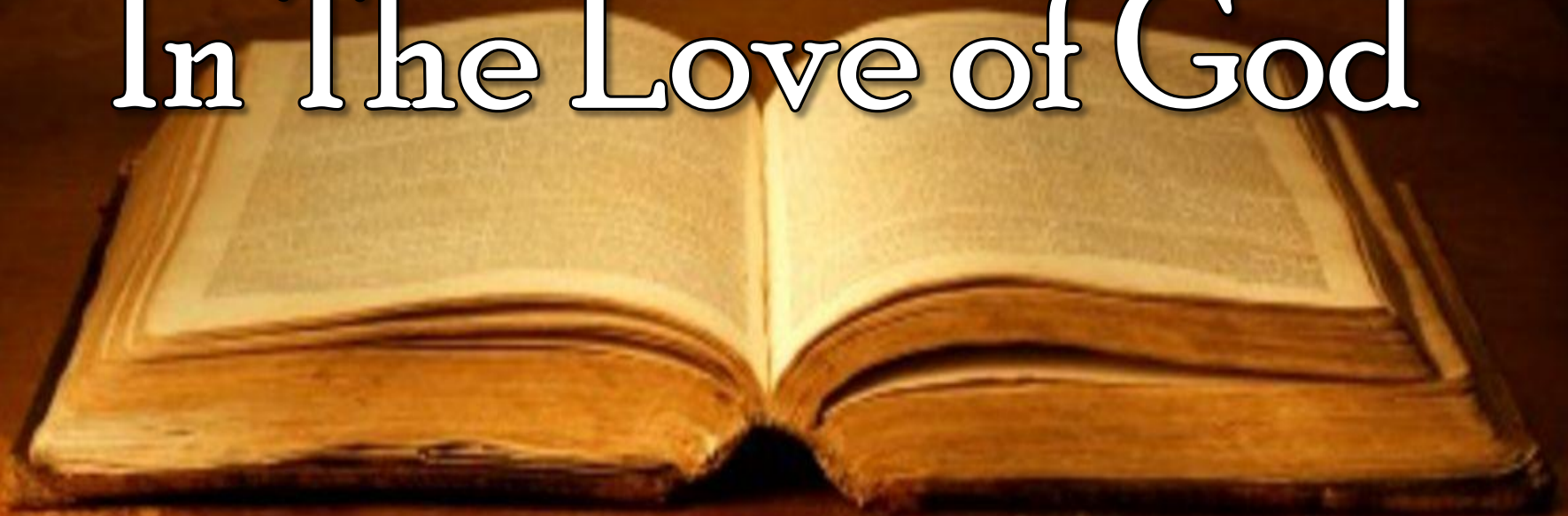
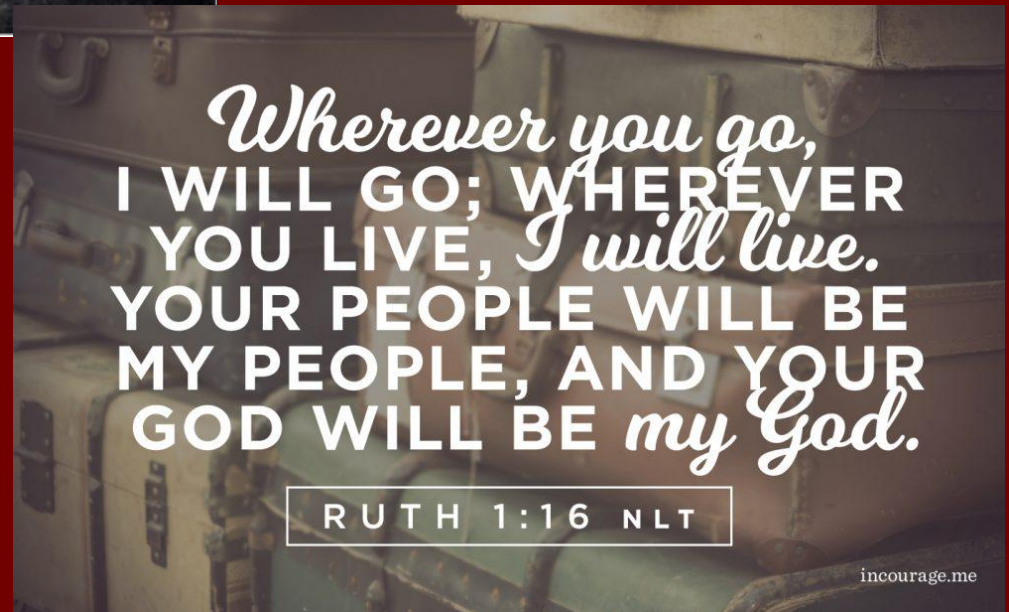


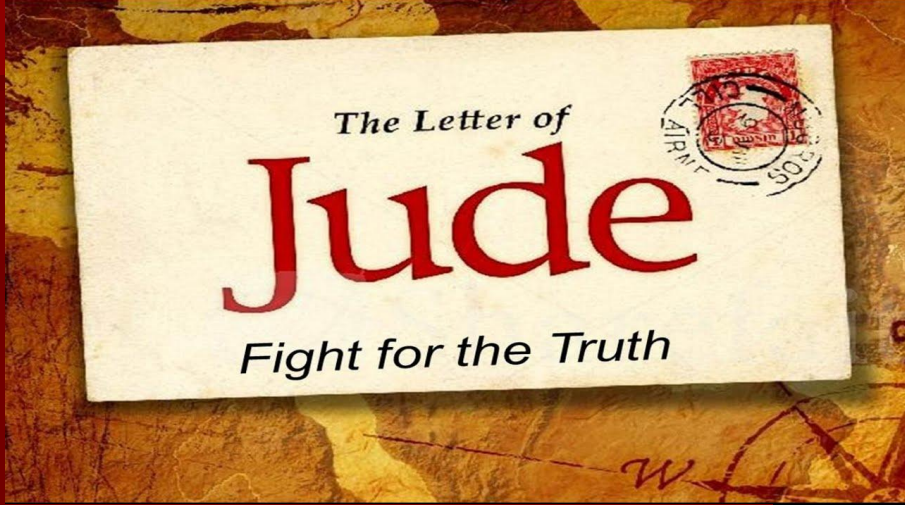
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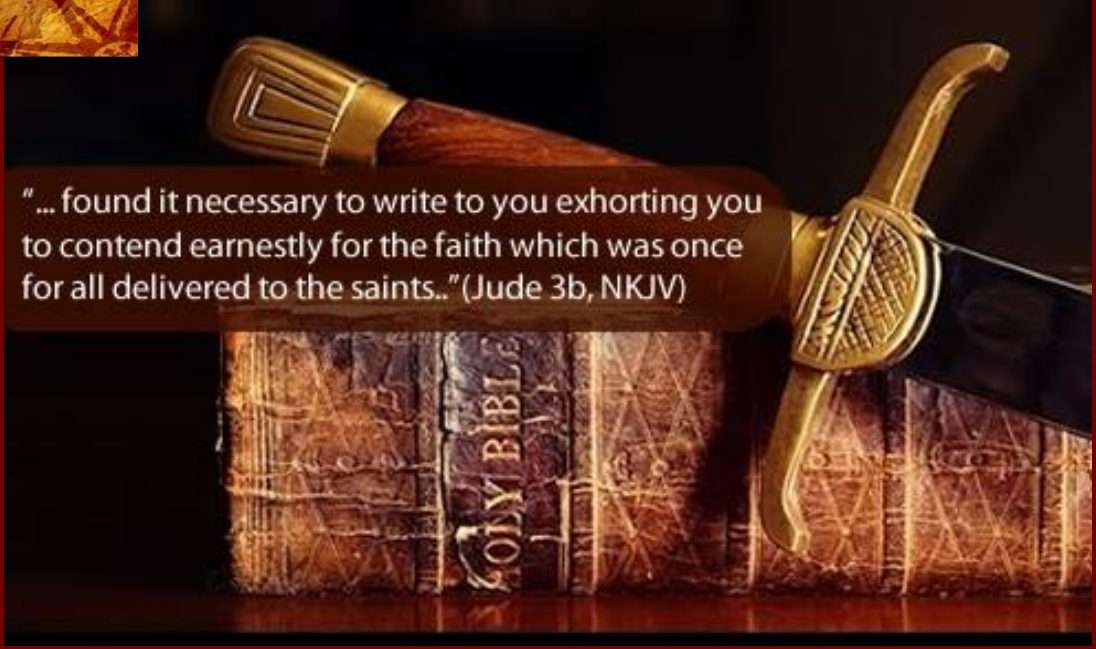
# Unity and Freedom



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The Letter of  
**Jude**  
*Fight for the Truth*



"... found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.." (Jude 3b, NKJV)

# Jude: Background Info.

- Book of Acts describes the beginning of the institution of the local church.
- Jude deals with the ending of the Apostolic Church age.
- The book deals with apostasy and a turning away from the faith.
- Greek word for apostasy is *apostrepho*; meaning to "*turn thyself away from*". Jude is often viewed, as a prophetic book.

# Jude

## ■ Sanctified by God the Father

– “To Make Holy Or to Purify Being Set Apart For God’s Use And Special Service”

■ Genesis 2:3 / Exodus 29:43 / Leviticus 8:10 / I Timothy 4:5

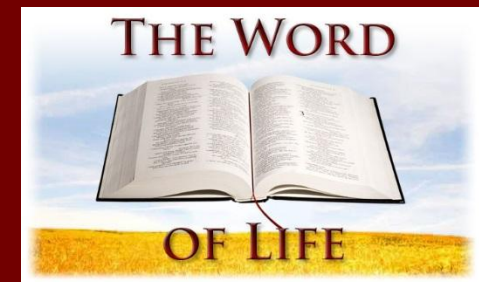
## ■ Preserved in Jesus Christ

– “Tereo” – Denotes a continuing act of watching, guarding and keeping one’s eye on something.

## ■ Called

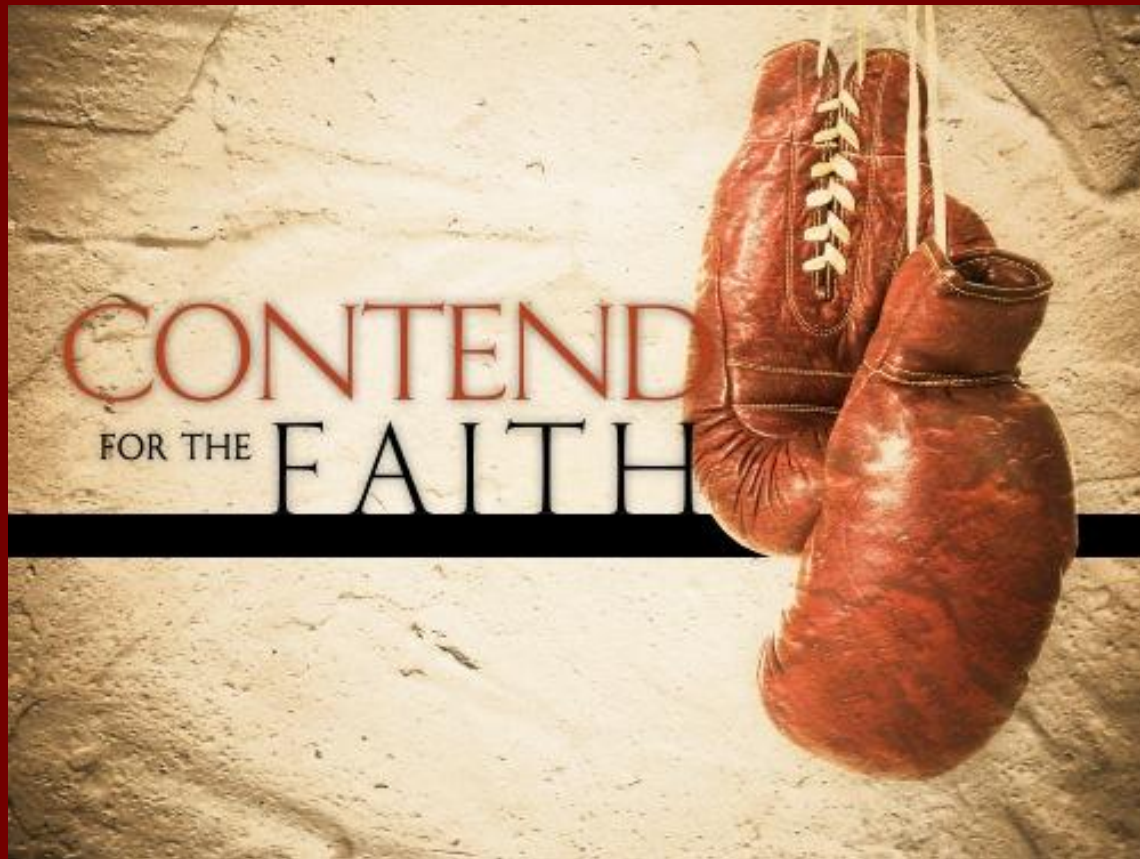
– “Kletos” – Refers to one who is invited or summoned.

■ I Corinthians 1:9 / Revelation 3:20



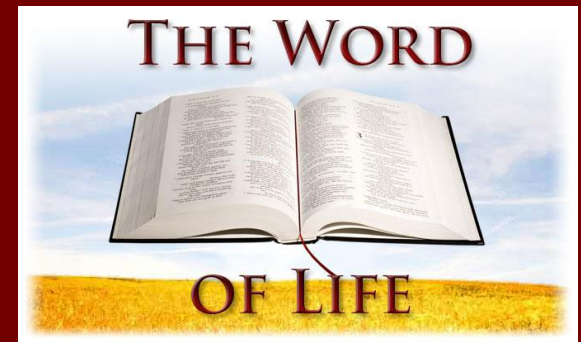
# Jude

- **Contend For The Faith Once Delivered Unto The Saints**



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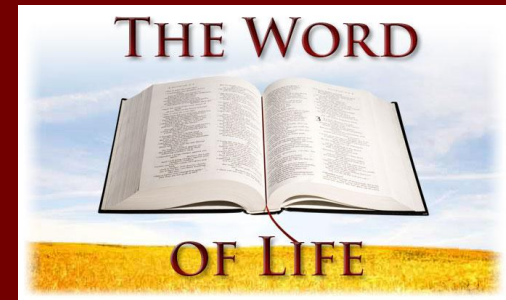
- **Ordained = “fore written”**
  - “...wolves in sheep’s clothing”
    - **Matthew 7:15-20**
    - **I Timothy 4:1**
    - **Titus 1:9-11**
    - **Acts 20:28-31**
    - **II Corinthians 11:14-15**
    - **II Timothy 3:1-5**



# Jude

## ■ Warnings From Jude

- **God's people must be discerning and believe God or suffer the consequences (i.e. Children of Israel)**
- **Complete darkness is a judgment of God against willful rebellion (II Peter 2:3-6) (i.e. angels which kept not their first estate)**
- **God will judge and punish sin (i.e. Sodom and Gomorrha)**



# Jude

## ■ False Teacher Associations

### – The Way of Cain

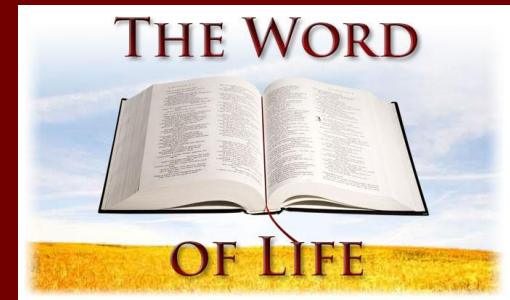
- Not an outsider; member of the first family
- Genesis 4:5

### – The Error of Balaam

- Instructed Midianites to use seduction against the people of Israel (people of God)
- Genesis 22 - 25

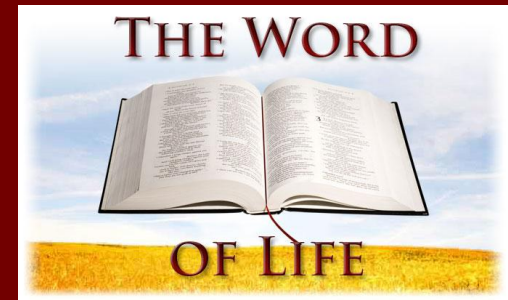
### – The Rebellion of Korah

- Instigate uprising from within Israel
- Numbers 16



# Jude

- **Our Consolation and Sure Hope**
  - **In spite of false teachers, the believer's salvation is secure in Christ Jesus.**
    - **I Peter 1:3-5**



# Putting This Together

## Earnestly Contending For The Faith

### ■ Application To Our Life

There are two major components for our Unity and Freedom in the Faith.

- The first is God and what He does (1 Corinthians 2:12-13 *"...we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit from God...combining spiritual thoughts with spiritual words..."*). He opens up our mind. He predisposes it for us to receive something.



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**There are two major components for our Unity and Freedom in the Faith.**

- **The second is spoken of by Paul in Romans 10:17. *"Faith comes by hearing, and hearing comes by the word of God."* Those two work together.**
- **What God does, by a miraculous act of His mind, of His will, of His Spirit working in our minds, is combined with the message He gives to the person He sends. It is to be the basis and foundation of our conversion and our faith.**
- **From that point on, it becomes a matter of learning more specifically the things that are contained within the message that was delivered to us.**

# **Putting This Together**

## **Earnestly Contending For The Faith**

### **■ Application To Our Life**

#### **Ephesians 4:1-3**

- Therefore I, the prisoner of the Lord, implore you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling with which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, showing tolerance for one another in love, being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.**