

Jude

(4) The Apostate's End

The graphic pictures of the apostate...12-16

After describing what they *do* (vs.11), what's his first description of what they *are*? vs.12

They are hidden reefs (submerged rocks) in their love feasts (fellowship suppers/comm.)

What is the message to the true church in this object lesson?

Extreme danger to the unsuspecting sailor! Move away from these waters!!

What's his second description, and it's application? vs.12

Clouds without water, where the wind blows. Thirsty souls get no water from the apostate.

What's his next description/application? vs.12

Autumn (harvest time) trees w/no fruit (dead?), uprooted (2nd death). Forever dead...

And his next description/application? vs.13

Wild (raging) waves, casting up their own shame like foam (no substance).

And his final description? vs.13

Wandering (shooting) stars (no navigational value). Black darkness (double) reserved...

By the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, what does Jude observe about the apostate? vs.14-15

The apostate's judgment was foretold by Enoch. Wrath upon the ungodly (against Him).

Put verse 16 in your own words.

They are 1. vocally discontent 2. self-centered 3. egotistical 4. manipulatively flattering

The admonition to the believer...17-24

What's Jude remind us of next? vs.17-18 Acts 20:29-30; ITim.4:1; IITim.3:1-5; IIPet.2:1-3; 3:3-4

The apostles had previously spoken of ungodly apostates infiltrating the church.

What is absolutely clear about these apostates? vs.19 Rom.8:9

These are devoid of the Spirit. They're not true believers. Vocal in the church, but...

Jude now gives (4) specific admonitions to believers. What's #1? vs.20 Acts 20:32; IITim.2:15

Build yourself up in your holy faith. Be diligent, unashamed, in handling the Word.

What's #2? vs.20 Eph.6:17-20

Praying in the Holy Spirit. This is thoughtful, specific, prayer in the Holy Spirit.

What's #3? vs.21 (see vs.24) Jn.15:9-10

Keep yourself in the love of God. Dwell mentally on His love for you. Be encouraged.

What's #4? vs.21 Titus 2:11-14; IPet.1:5-9, 13

Wait anxiously (look expectantly) for the return of Christ (rapture) to eternal life for us.