

# JUDE

1-2	Greeting (kept for Jesus)
3	Contend for the faith
4 - 19	The reality of some within the church who distort and/or deny the Gospel
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## Jude

Sunday, June 5, 2016

*The book of Jude is both short and strange, and yet it contains an encouraging challenge for every generation of God's people . . .*

1. There are always some who \_\_\_\_\_ and/or \_\_\_\_\_ the Gospel.

They \_\_\_\_\_ into the church.

They are a \_\_\_\_\_ to the church.

Their end is \_\_\_\_\_.

2. God's People must \_\_\_\_\_ for the Gospel and \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

By . . .

1. \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves up in our most holy faith

2. \_\_\_\_\_ in the Holy Spirit

3. \_\_\_\_\_ for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ

4. Showing \_\_\_\_\_ to others

3. God is \_\_\_\_\_ His people for \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

Our perseverance \_\_\_\_\_ us, but it doesn't \_\_\_\_\_ on us.

God is the one who \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ His people.



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### Connecting Together

Take some time on this last week of Growth Groups to share what you've learned and how you've grown through your group this quarter.

### Studying God's Word Together

1. With your book chart in hand, read through the book of Jude together. What are things that jumped out at you this time through? Do you see how the book's structure communicates its message?
2. Who wrote the book of Jude and what do we know about the author? What does he call himself in verse 1 and why is that striking?
3. Which of the "colorful" descriptions of these false teachers in verses 12 - 13 jumped out at you and why? Why is Jude so upset about these people?
4. Discuss an instance where you've encountered a distortion or denial of the Gospel.

5. What is "the faith" and what does it mean to "contend" for it? What are some practical ways that we can do that?
6. Look at verse 20. "Keep yourselves in the love of God" is the main verb phrase of that verse. "Building," "praying" and "waiting" are participle phrases that describe how we keep ourselves in the love of God. What is this verse saying and what are some practical ways we can do it?
7. Look at the "bookends" of the book in verse 1 and verse 24. What do these verses have in common and what do they communicate? Why is this a tremendous comfort?

**Household/Family Focus:** for discussion in your household

Brainstorm some practical ways you are and can begin to "contend" for the faith and build yourselves up in the faith together as a household.

### Prayer Together

As you pray for one another's needs, use the book of Jude to pray for our church, Grace Central Coast.