

ULC Sermon Study Resource

Commit // Jude

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Prayer: Pause for a few moments to go to the Lord in prayer. Ask that He would draw near to you in this time, and open your heart and mind to hear His Word.

Icebreaker: What's your favorite homemade dish?

Reading: Jude 1:5-16

Outline:

- I. The What and the Why v. 5-11
 - a. Here Jude creates a list of false teachers based on the exodus. They lead people to doubt God's promises, claim a role that isn't theirs, encourage and practice sexual immorality, Are selfish to the detriment of others, Use their roles to boost their own platforms and pocketbooks, and Rebel against those that God has placed over them
Q: *What are the godly truths that each of these rebellions act against?*
- II. The Danger v. 12- 16
 - a. Those types of teachers are examples of how personal bias and other societal factors get stuck to the gospel and cover up it's true message
 - b. When faced with any of these false teachings we must run away and rely on God's truth to avoid the judgment and condemnation that comes with it
Q: *Why is it so important to run?*
- III. The Gospel
 - a. It's not easy to believe that God is still a God of judgment like he was in the old testament, but Jesus role in the story shows us that He judges out of love for us
 - b. Judgment may be hard to bear, but it saves us from continuing down a path that will lead us astray and ultimately only hurt us
Q: *Why is correction/ God's judgment hard to receive and understand sometimes?*

Reflection/Application Questions:

- 1) Where can you see these false teachers in our society today?
- 2) Which false teachings are the hardest to see or the hardest to run from?
- 3) How can we see false teachings more clearly and be better prepared to face them?
- 4) How do you naturally see God? Kind, judgemental, loving, scary, etc.?
- 5) When we struggle to accept correction, what methods can help us turn and run back to God?

Suggestions for further study:

- John 10:12-15 **Q: *How does the idea of God as our shepherd reveal his love for us?***
- 2 Peter 2:3 **Q: *How can we use condemnation as a guiding principle?***

Closing Prayer:

Lord Jesus, we thank you that you are the good shepherd who laid down his life for us. You saved us from the lies outside of us and rescued us from the wolves inside each of us. We pray that we look and cling to you to wipe away any muck or mud that gets in the way of seeing you and your gospel. We praise and thank you for your beauty and goodness in saving us. In your holy name, Amen.