

# “Contending for Your Heart”

## *Jude 17-25*

### Introduction

*Jude 1-2 -*

*Jude 3-4 -*

*Jude 5-7 -*

*Jude 8-13 -*

*Hebrews 11:5-6 - “By faith Enoch was taken up so that he should not see death, and he was not found, because God had taken him. Now before he was taken he was commended as having pleased God. And without faith it is impossible to please him, for whoever would draw near to God must believe that he exists and that he rewards those who seek him.”*

*Jude 14-16 -*

Note: While discerning & recognizing error is necessary, it is NOT \_\_\_\_\_!

### I. Jude’s Gospel Centered Application

**1) REMEMBER what Jesus and the Apostles \_\_\_\_\_!**

Note: If you do not remember what God has predicted, you will be tempted to doubt & \_\_\_\_\_!

*Matthew 7:15 - “Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep’s clothing but inwardly are ravenous wolves.”*

*Matthew 24:11 - “...many false prophets will arise and lead many astray.”*

*Acts 20:29-31 - “I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears.”*

*2 Peter 2:1-3 - “But false prophets also arose among the people, just as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing upon themselves swift destruction. And many will follow their sensuality, and because of them the way of truth will be blasphemed. And in their greed they will exploit you with false words. Their condemnation from long ago is not idle, and their destruction is not asleep.”*

*Matthew 16:18 - “...I will build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it.”*

**2) BUILD yourself (and others!) up in the most holy \_\_\_\_\_!**

*Acts 20:32 - “And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified.”*

**3) PRAY, submitted to, dependent upon, mindful of, God the \_\_\_\_\_.**  
(Galatians 5:16; Galatians 5:25; Ephesians 5:18; Romans 8:13)

**Luke 4:1-2b and Luke 4:14 -**

**Romans 8:26-27 -** “Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know what to pray for as we ought, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with groanings too deep for words. And he who searches hearts knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God.”

**Hebrews 4:16 -**

Note: The *absence* of prayer almost always reveals the *presence* of \_\_\_\_\_ & self-sufficiency.

**1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 -** “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ for you.”

**Luke 18:1 -** “And he told them a parable to the effect that they ought always to pray & not lose heart.”

**4) KEEP yourself in the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.**

Note: To meet this verse is to face the \_\_\_\_\_ that exists between sovereignty & responsibility.

**Philippians 2:12b-13 -** “...work out your salvation with fear and trembling, for it is God who works in you, both to will and to work for his good pleasure.”

**John 15:9-11 -** “As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father’s commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, that your joy may be full.”

**1 John 2:5 -** “...whoever keeps his word, in him truly the love of God is perfected.”

**5) WAIT \_\_\_\_\_ the mercy Jesus will bring & give to us!**

**Philippians 3:20-21 -** “But our citizenship is in heaven, from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.”

**6) HAVE MERCY on everyone, but do so with \_\_\_\_\_!**  
(Ephesians 4:14; Matthew 16:6; Galatians 5:9)

**7) REJOICE in the saving & \_\_\_\_\_ grace of Jesus Christ!**