

Book of Jude

Read: Jude 1:1-25

Welcome: Is the truth important? Why or why not?

1. What stood out to you in this passage? Was there anything you didn't understand or would like to know more about?
2. As Christians we have been called, loved, and kept in Christ (Jude 1:1). What lies would the enemy have us believe so that we forget these truths?
3. False teachers had slipped into the church denying Christ as Lord and Saviour. Jude reminds his readers and listeners to remember the truth about who they are and where they have come from. Have there been times in your faith when you have doubted the truth about who God is and was there anything that you remembered from the past that helped you through it?
4. Jude mentions an ancient work entitled "The Assumption of Moses" or "The Testament of Moses," where Archangel Michael comes to bury Moses' body on the mountain of Moab (Deut 34:5-6). Michael is confronted by Satan who claims the body. He doesn't condemn Satan but states, "The Lord rebuke you!" When false allegations come before you, how can you respond without casting judgement?
5. Cain (Genesis 4:1-16), Balaam (Numbers 22-24), and Korah (Numbers 16:1-35), all rebelled against God. Thinking on this, how does pride, selfishness, jealousy, greed, lust of power, and disregard for God's will, prevent truth from being lived out? How can we keep ourselves accountable so that we live in light of the truth of who we've been made to be?
6. Jude reminds us of what both Enoch prophesied and the apostles foretold – that scoffers will follow their own ungodly desires. These people divide you and do not have the Spirit (Jude 1:14-18). Thinking on this, why is living in truth and unity essential for the church today? How can we persevere, standing strong for Christ?
7. God calls us to be people that show mercy. Thinking of our church and community, how can we love others, showing the mercy that God has shown us?

Pray: end in prayer, that we would be people who keep our eyes and ears fixed of Christ.