

JUDE

– Every Word: summer series in the small books –

“Battle Plan”

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Scripture: Jude 17-25

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Battle Plan

The more we listen to God and talk to God the safer we are from becoming ungodly.

Key Verse: “... keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.” *Jude 21*

Outline of Jude 17-25:

17-19 They Will.

20-23 But You Must.

24-25 Doxology.

1. Review of 1-16

Our faith is under _____ and it is _____ fighting for.

FIRST: It's worth contending for because it is the _____ of our belief.

Romans 1:16

SECOND: This faith is worth contending for because we have a _____ for our family.

Acts 2:44-45

2. They Will.

Where there is objective truth, there will be those who _____ it.

Who are they?

They are _____.

They are _____ people.

They are devoid of the _____.

3. But You Must.

The first way believers remain in God's love is by _____ to grow in their understanding of the gospel.

The second way believers remain in God's love _____ in the Holy Spirit...

Have _____ on doubters. If contending is a labor of love, then those who have doubts should be contended _____ not _____.

4. Doxology

If God _____, _____ and _____ you, then he gets the glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

Getting Started:

Read the Book of Jude.

In your own words, what is this faith and why is it worth contending for?

During the quarantine, did you miss gathering with other Christians? Why or why not?

What does it mean to have responsibility for our church family? How does that affect our motivation?

Digging Deeper:

Read Jude 17-19.

Discuss the three descriptions of the intruders. What is the impact of having those people around us without knowing it? What effect might they have on vulnerable disciples?

What is the advantage of knowing they are among us?

Read Romans 8:8-10

How does the Spirit make such a difference? Why do we forget the Spirit's presence in our lives, and what advantages come from being more aware of it, day-to-day?

Read Jude 20-23

Explain, "keep yourselves in the love of God," in your own words. What does that mean and how does it change our lives?

If God is the one who keeps us, then why does Jude instruct the believers to “keep yourselves”? What part does God play in keeping us and what part do we play?

What’s one thing you can intentionally do to “keep yourself in the love of God” this week?

Read Romans 1:16.

Why is faith worth contending for, personally?

Re-read v. 22-23.

What responsibility do we have for this family of believers?

Getting Real:

How might we “have mercy on those who doubt, save others by snatching them out of the fire, to others show mercy with fear” this week? What’s one thing you can do and who is one person you can connect with?

Pray Together:

Our Father and Keeper, Thank you for your call on our lives, for your love and your active work in and through us. Help us keep ourselves in your love by actively seeking to better understand your gospel and more intentionally lift our every concern to you. And show us how to show others mercy, in their doubt. Show us how to lead the doubters back to you. Amen.