

“Contending For The Faith”

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Jude 1-4, 20-21 (NKJV)

V.1

- **CALLED** = to catch the ear
- **SANCTIFIED** = refine your eye = get your eye right
 - **ONCE I CAPTURE** a prophetic vision...**THAT VISION WILL** capture me!
 - a. Vision, gives me power to say **NO** to many lessor things
 - b. Vision also gives me the power of **FOCUS**
- **KEPT = PRESERVED** – a process of removing all contamination

V.3

- “Contend Earnestly” to assert, compete & struggle with intensity & passion
- “The “faith of Christ” not same as “faith IN Christ”
 - **Eph.2:8 read NKJV** - ⁸*For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God,*
 - **Gal.2:20 read NKJV** - ²⁰*I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.*
 - **Rom.3:22 read NKJV** - ²²*even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all ^[a]and on all who believe. For there is no difference;*

WHAT did the “Faith of Christ” look like?

1. An unwavering conviction that God is **Father**
2. An unwavering conviction that God **loves the world**
3. An unwavering conviction that God **sent the Son to atone for man’s sin**
4. An unwavering conviction that **we now have acceptance, access and righteousness**

Jude v.20 NKJV gives us 4 “How-To’s”

1. **BUILD YOURSELF UP**
2. **PRAY IN** the Holy Spirit
3. **KEEP** yourself **IN** the Love of God
4. **LOOK/WATCH** for mercy / expectation