The Book of Jude

Part 1

The Author(1)

- 1. Who he is: Jude
- 2. What he is: Servant

The Audience (1)

- Set Apart
- Kept Apart

The Ask (2)

- Ask of the Father
- Ask of the Followers

The Apostates (4)

- Stealthy
- Stamped as Heretics
- Sexually Deviant

The Admonition (5)

- The Previous Sin Caused Some to be Wiped Out (5-7)
 - The Fall
 - \circ Flood
 - \circ Fire
- The Presently Sin is Causing Some to be Wiped Out (8)
 - Defiled the Flesh
 - Despise Dominion
 - Denounce Dignities-
- The Pervasiveness of their Sin Will Wipe Out All (10)
 - Their Examples

- The Way of Cain
- The Way of Balaam
- The Way of Core
- Their Emptiness
 - Love Feast- No Purity (Sign on Land)
 - a. Lord's Supper? 1 Corinthians 11:20-22
 - b. Wedding feast?
 - i. 2 Peter 2:12-13.
 - ii. John 3:28-29.
 - Rain Clouds- No Rain (Sign in the Sky)
 - Fruit Trees- No Fruit (Sign on the Trees)

 Matthew 7:15–20
 - Raging Sea- Revealing Shame (Sign in the Sea)
 - Shooting Star- Showing Sin (Sign in the Heavens)
- Their End
 - The Coming Judgment (14-16)
 - i. The Current Judges (17-19)
 - 1. Their Need to Remember (17-18)
 - 2. Their Need to Recall (19)

The Antidote (20)

- The Fight of those who Gather / "Keep yourselves in the Loved of God" (20-23)
 - Build up on Faith (20)
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 - Looking for Mercy (21)
 - Snatching from Fire (22)
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The General Epistle of

Jude

1 ^aJude, the servant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, to them that are sanctified by God the Father, and preserved *in* Jesus Christ, *and* called:

2 mercy unto you, and peace, and love, be multiplied.

3 Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort *you* that *ye* should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints.

4 For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, ungodly *men*, turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ.

5 I will therefore put you in remembrance, though ye once knew this, how that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed them that believed not.

6 And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.

7 *Even* as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them, in like manner giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

8 Likewise also these *filthy* dreamers defile the flesh, ^kdespise dominion, and speak evil of dignities.

9 Yet Michael the archangel, when contending with the devil he disputed about the body of Moses, durst not bring against *him* a railing accusation, but said, The Lord rebuke thee.

10 But these speak evil of those *things* which they know not: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those *things* they corrupt themselves.

11 Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.

1 Enoch 80:2-6

In respect to their days, the sinners and the winter [rainy season] are cut short. The seed(s) shall lag behind in their lands and in their fertile fields, and in all their activities upon the earth. He will turn and appear in their time, and withhold rain, and the sky shall stand still at that time. The vegetation shall slacken and not grow in its season, and the fruit shall not be born in its (proper) season. The moon shall alter its order, and will not be seen according to its (normal) cycles.... Many of the chiefs of the stars shall make errors with respect to the orders given them; they shall change their courses and functions and not appear during the seasons which have been prescribed for them....

> Peter H. Davids, The Letters of 2 Peter and Jude, The Pillar New Testament Commentary (Grand Rapids, MI: William B. Eerdmans Pub. Co., 2006), 71–72.