Hey Jude For Example

Jude 5-7 "Now I want to remind you, although you once fully knew it, that Jesus, who saved a people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe. 6 And the angels who did not stay within their own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day— 7 just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding cities, which likewise indulged in sexual immorality and pursued unnatural desire, serve as an example by undergoing a punishment of eternal fire."

"Now I want to remind you, although you once fully knew it," (v.5)

- The importance of reminders (stuff you already knew)
- Present tense warnings often need past tense examples

Three Examples:

The ______ "...that Jesus, who saved a people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe." (V.5)

• Reminder: defectors from the truth will always meet divine judgment.

God, the _____: A beautiful story of God compassion

Exodus 2:23-25 "During those many days the king of Egypt died, and the people of Israel groaned because of their slavery and cried out for help. Their cry for rescue from slavery came up to God. 24 And God heard their groaning, and God remembered his covenant with Abraham, with Isaac, and with Jacob. 25 God saw the people of Israel—and God knew"

God, the _____: A stern reminder of God's judgment; not only on the Egyptians, but also on the Israelites who faithlessly turned away from God.

1 Corinthians 10:1-5 "For I do not want you to be unaware, brothers, that our fathers were all under the cloud, and all passed through the sea, 2 and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, 3 and all ate the same spiritual food, 4 and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank from the spiritual Rock that followed them, and the Rock was Christ. 5 Nevertheless, with most of them God was not pleased, for they were overthrown in the wilderness."

As an Example for Us:

1 Corinthians 10:6-10 "Now these things took place as examples for us, that we might not desire evil as they did. 7 Do not be idolaters as some of them were; as it is written, "The people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to

play." 8 We must not indulge in sexual immorality as some of them did, and twenty-three thousand fell in a single day. 9 We must not put Christ to the test, as some of them did and were destroyed by serpents, 10 nor grumble, as some of them did and were destroyed by the Destroyer."

The <u>"And the angels who did not stay within their</u> own position of authority, but left their proper dwelling, he has kept in eternal chains under gloomy darkness until the judgment of the great day—" (v.6)

- Refers to an extraordinarily heinous infraction by some of the fallen
 angels
- Peter"s view: the angels "sinned"

2 Peter 2:4 "For if God did not spare angels when they sinned, but cast them into hell and committed them to chains of gloomy darkness to be kept until the judgment;"

The "…just as Sodom and Gomorrah and the surrounding cities, which likewise indulged in sexual immorality and pursued unnatural desire, serve as an example by undergoing a punishment of eternal fire." (v.7)

- **Sodom and Gomorrah** engaged in sins equally as shocking and horrific as those of the angels
- They pervert God's design for them by seeking immoral activity with God's Holy messengers

God's Judgement:

Genesis 18:20-21 "Then the Lord said, "Because the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah is great and their sin is very grave, 21 I will go down to see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me. And if not, I will know."

Invitation: God feels strongly about his truth Heed the warning and consider the examples