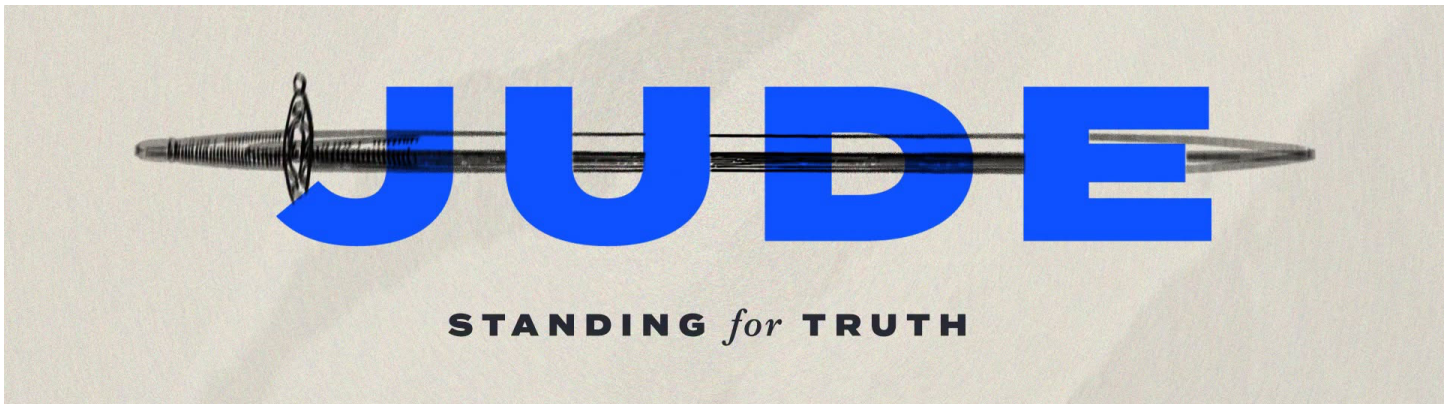




Jude: Standing for Truth – Faith Worth Fighting For

What's something you've become much more passionate about defending as you've gotten older—a favorite sports team, a hobby, a family tradition, or something else? What changed?

Read: Jude 3–4, 1 Peter 3:15–16, 2 Timothy 3:16–17

1. What did you notice from Sunday's message that challenged or encouraged you the most?
2. Jude says we are to "contend earnestly for the faith." What do you think that looks like in everyday life? How is that different from simply being argumentative or trying to win debates?
3. The sermon pointed out that every generation is one step away from losing the faith if it isn't intentionally passed on. Where do you see that challenge in our culture today? Where do you also see reasons for hope?
4. Which distortion of the gospel discussed in the message seems most common in our culture today? Why do you think that message is so attractive?
 - "I can earn God's favor."
 - "Grace means sin doesn't matter."
 - "Following Jesus should always make life easier."
 - "All paths lead to God."
 - Something else?
5. The message emphasized that apologetics is about loving people enough to help them discover the truth—not simply proving them wrong. Why can that balance be difficult? Have you ever experienced someone defending their faith with both conviction and genuine love?

6. The Bible was described as our objective standard of truth. What habits have helped you stay grounded in Scripture? What habits tend to pull you away from it?
7. What's one area of your faith where you'd like to become more confident this year? Is there a question you'd like answered, a book of the Bible you'd like to study, or a doctrine you'd like to understand better? (Leaders take notes! LP Leadership would love to hear this!)
8. What's one thing you'll do this week to contend for the faith in a Christlike way? It could be reading Scripture consistently, beginning an apologetics resource, having a gospel conversation, praying for someone, or simply being ready to explain the hope you have in Jesus.

Going Deeper

Jude warns that false teaching often contains enough truth to sound convincing. How can we faithfully contend for biblical truth without becoming fearful, combative, or suspicious of everyone who disagrees with us? What does it practically look like to combine strong convictions with genuine humility and love?

How do we grow deeper in Christlike maturity so that we leave the insecurity that leads to offense behind?

How can we pray for one another tonight? Pray big prayers, anoint the sick, pray with big faith, tell the story of God's goodness!