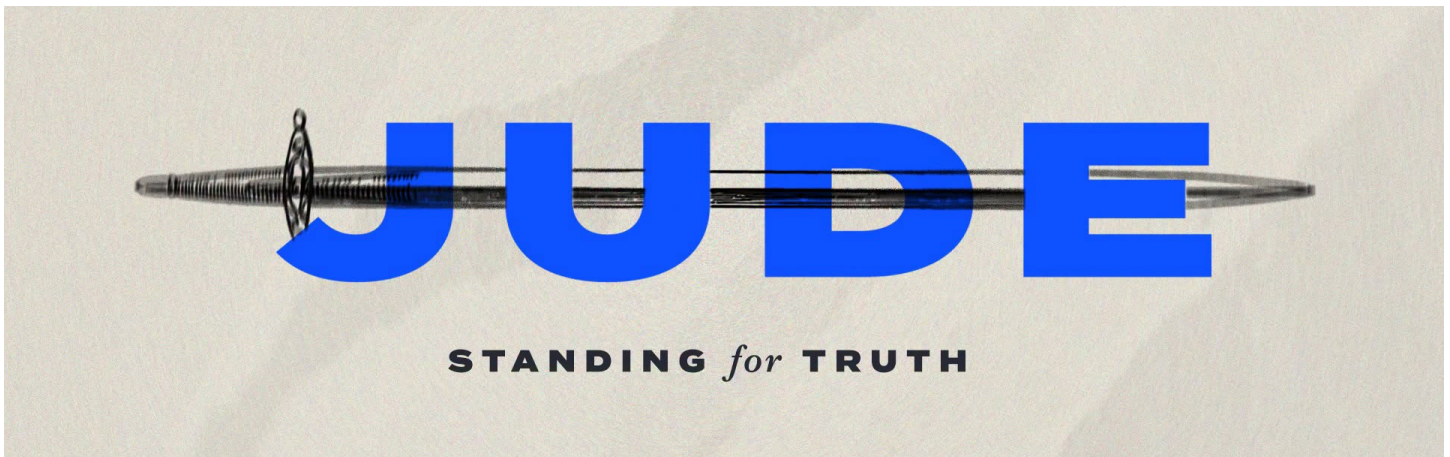




## **Jude: Standing for Truth – History's Warnings**

What's one lesson from history—whether from your family, school, work, or life—that you wish more people would learn instead of repeating the same mistakes?

**Read: Jude 5–11, Romans 12:2, Acts 17:11–12**

What did you notice about the three historical examples Jude uses (Israel, the fallen angels, and Sodom & Gomorrah)? Why do you think Jude chose history instead of simply giving commands?

The sermon emphasized that God's people don't drift into truth—they drift away from it unless they intentionally grow. Why do you think spiritual drift happens so gradually? What are some warning signs you've seen in yourself or in our culture?

The Bereans didn't blindly accept Paul's teaching—they searched the Scriptures for themselves. What does it look like today to be a "Berean Christian"?

How can we develop the habit of testing everything against God's Word without becoming cynical or suspicious of everyone?

The sermon identified three recurring errors: Polluting the body, Rejecting God's authority, Speaking dishonorably against God's authority structure. These are reoccurring issues in scripture.

What is the harm in these 3 Critical Errors?

Why do you think these same temptations continue to challenge believers today?

Which one seems most common in our culture?

One statement from the sermon was: *"There are no shortcuts to a powerful walk with God."* What practical habits have helped you grow deeper in Scripture? What tends to get in the way?

Jude reminds believers that privilege doesn't exempt anyone from accountability. Israel experienced God's deliverance, angels experienced God's presence, and Sodom experienced God's warning—yet each faced severe judgment because they rejected God's ways. How does their example inform us today?

How can Christians hold firmly to biblical truth while also demonstrating genuine humility, compassion, and grace toward people who disagree with them? What does that balance look like in everyday life?

Near the end of the message, three responses were offered:

- Align your heart with Christ.
- Serve God's purposes.
- Live in the joy of being God's beloved.

In light of today's cultural climate, what does it mean to do these things? What is the cost?

What's one area where God may be inviting you to trust His authority more fully instead of relying on your own understanding?

Spend time praying for one another around these themes:

- A heart that loves God's Word and continues to grow in wisdom and discernment.
- Courage to remain faithful to Christ in a culture that often pulls believers in different directions.
- A healthy, humble church marked by truth, holiness, love, honor, and unity rather than pride, compromise, or division.