

(vv1-4) ‘*Beloved...exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith...For there are certain men crept in unawares...ungodly men...*’ the Holy Spirit through Jude warns us all of the eternal judgment of God upon apostates, those who turn away from the Living God. Jude does not mince words but describes the characteristics of apostates and the end result of their error.

(vv5-15) ‘*I will therefore put you in remembrance...destroyed them that believed not...suffering the vengeance of eternal fire...these filthy dreamers....speak evil...These are spots in your feasts of charity...to whom is reserved the blackness of darkness forever...To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed...*’ Jesus will judge the ungodly. Now is the time to repent, turn from evil and turn to Jesus for everlasting life.

JOHN 6 (vv24-29) ‘*Jesus answered and said to them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent.”*’ The Greek word is ‘*pisteuō*’ – to commit to; to entrust; to have faith in; to have reliance upon. This is not mere intellectual knowledge but entrusting your salvation to Him (**JOHN 7:5; JAMES 2:19**). (**vv30-40**) Jesus will surely and entirely save you from your sins and give you eternal life in Him. The choice is yours...come to Jesus now and live.

(v16) ‘*These [certain men] are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.*’ Jude called these men ‘ungodly’ and now goes on to pinpoint the characteristics of apostates. The church will be without excuse if it does not recognize them when they appear.

‘**murmurers**’ (*grumblers*) – God hates such grumbling and He has shown this by His judgment of Israel in their desert wanderings. If we learn from that, we will be blessed as we live to please God. **PSALM 106:1-7, 21-27** the psalmist begins with praise and thanksgiving unto God, but then recounts Israel’s sins: ‘*...they believed not His word: But murmured in their tents...*’ not believing God’s Word produces a grumbling spirit inside of us. **PHILIPPIANS 2:1-16** as we put to death the flesh by the Holy Spirit’s power and His direct aid in our lives, God does wonderful things inside of us. ‘**Do all things without murmurings (grumbling)...**’ an attitude of grumbling is a sin of major importance to God; it is a sure sign of an apostate. Let’s put it far from our lives.

‘**complainers**’ (*NIV ‘finding fault’*) – the next characteristic Jude gives is a companion to murmuring. The Greek word means to complain of one’s lot in life; discontented; disagreeable; cranky. This again is another sure sign of an apostate; therefore we will be wise if we truly consider how God wants us to live daily. **PSALMS 142:1-7; 42:1-5** as life comes at us; if we remember God

and walk with Him and in Him...Jesus changes us from complainers to praisers.

‘**walking after their own lusts**’ – apostates among us live lustfully, indulging in passions of the flesh, promoting a so-called sexual freedom. **GALATIANS 5:16-26** the lusts of the flesh are clearly defined by the Bible and quite obvious to anyone. These desires are extremely powerful but the Word of God gives us the answer on how to win this battle: ‘*Walk in [by] the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh.*’ The Holy Spirit grows His fruit inside of you, psychology is not the answer; the Living God inside of you is. **ROMANS 13:11-14** ‘*But put ye on [clothe yourself] the Lord Jesus Christ, and make not provision for the flesh, to fulfil the lusts thereof.*’ The Greek word is ‘*endyō*’ – to sink into (clothing), put on, clothe one’s self. **EPHESIANS 4:17-32** as believers in Jesus, we have learned that God has called us to holiness and purity. ‘*That ye put off...the old man...and be renewed in the spirit of your mind; And that ye put on the new man...*’ If we genuinely want to live lives walking in the Spirit, we have before us a list of what to ‘*put on*’: ‘*Therefore, putting away lying...speak truth...be angry, and do not sin...steal no longer...let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth...do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God...let all bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, and evil speaking be put away from you, with all malice.*’ This list can only become a reality as we put to death the flesh by the Holy Spirit (**ROMANS 8:12,13**). **EPHESIANS 5:1-18** the positive side of God in us: ‘*Walk in love...walk as children of light...walk circumspectly...be filled with [by] the Spirit.*’ What an infinite disparity in the attitude and lifestyle of a believer walking in the Spirit and an apostate walking in their own corrupt and sinful nature.

‘*...and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage.*’ The last thing Jude mentions about these ungodly infiltrators into the church is their mouths. They are more concerned with receiving the praise of men rather than the praise of God. God’s Word warns us and exhorts us not to consider the admiration of men, to not judge one over another by reasoning which person is more advantageous to our personal gain. **JAMES 2:1-9** it is sinful to respect persons because of reason of material advantage, and God calls us out on that. **GALATIANS 1:10** ‘*For am I now seeking the favor of men, or of God? Or am I striving to please men? If I were still trying to please men, I would not be a bond-servant of Christ.*’ Apostates are all about themselves; believers in Jesus have a whole new life, let’s walk to please our Heavenly Father! **1 THESSALONIANS 4:1-12** ‘*Finally then, brethren, we request and exhort you in the Lord Jesus, that as you received from us instruction as to how you ought to walk and please God (just as you actually do walk), that you excel still more.*’ Amen!!!

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contending for the faith

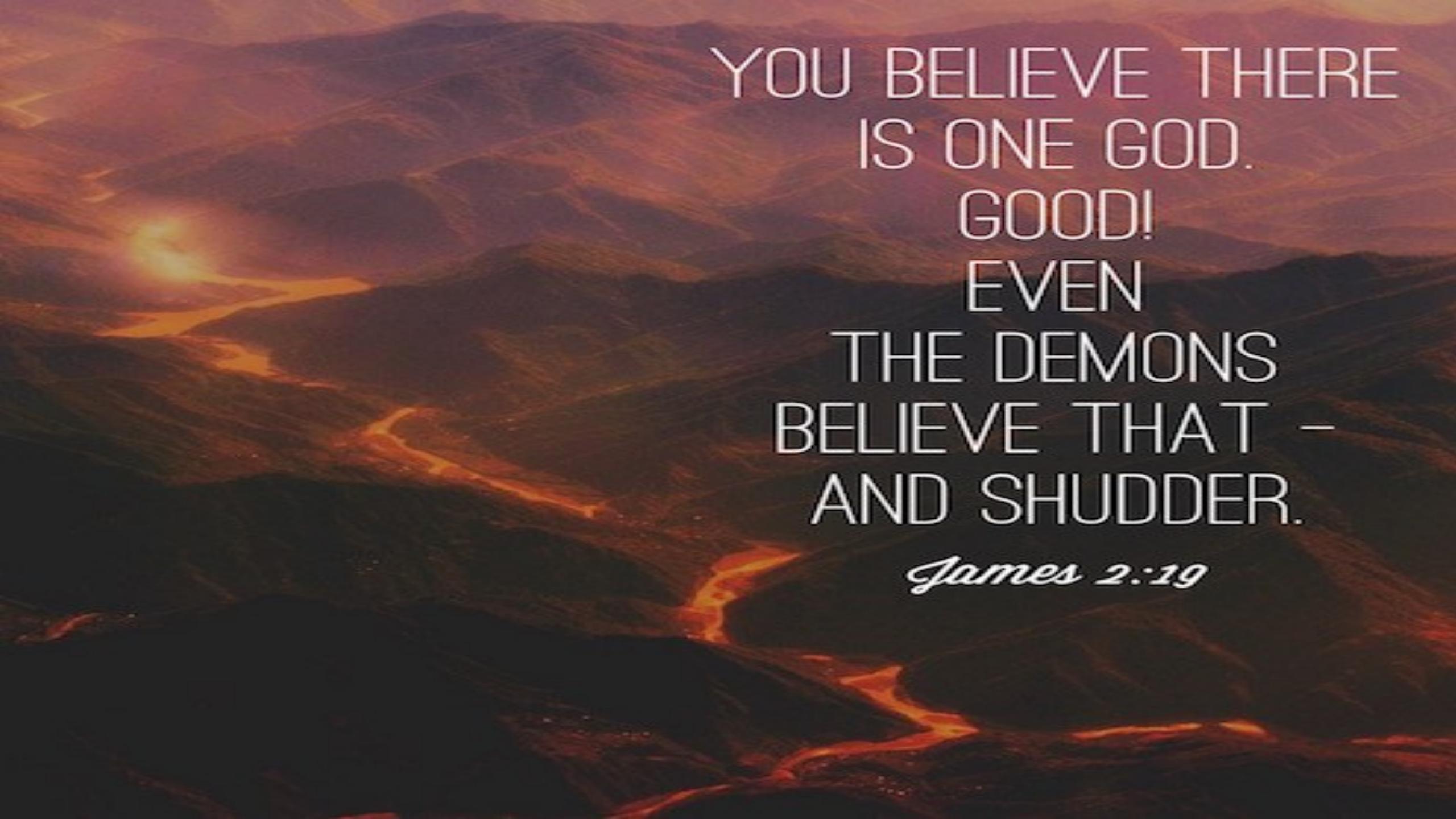
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'believe' Greek **'pisteúō'** {pis-too'-o}

- to commit to; to entrust (especially one's spiritual well-being to Christ)
- to have faith in; to have reliance upon

John 7:5 For even His brothers did not believe in Him.



YOU BELIEVE THERE
IS ONE GOD.
GOOD!
EVEN
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BELIEVE THAT -
AND SHUDDER.

James 2:19

Jude 1 (v4) For there are certain men crept in unawares, who were before of old ordained to this condemnation, **ungodly men**... (v15) To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are **ungodly** among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have **ungodly** committed, and of all their hard speeches which **ungodly sinners** have spoken against Him.

Jude 1:16 These are murmurers [grumblers]...

'...they believed not His word, **but murmured in their tents**, and hearkened not unto the voice of the LORD.

Philippians 2:14 Do all things **without murmurings [grumblings]** and disputings...

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complainers [NIV 'finding fault']...

- complaining of one's lot in life
- discontented; disagreeable; cranky

**Psalm 142 'I cried unto thee, O
LORD...Bring my soul out of prison,
that I may praise Thy name...'**

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Hope in God, for I shall again praise
Him for the help of His presence.

Psalm 42:5

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complainers, walking after their own
lusts...

'Walk in [by] the Spirit'

- to regulate one's life; to conduct one's self; to live
- to be occupied with

FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT



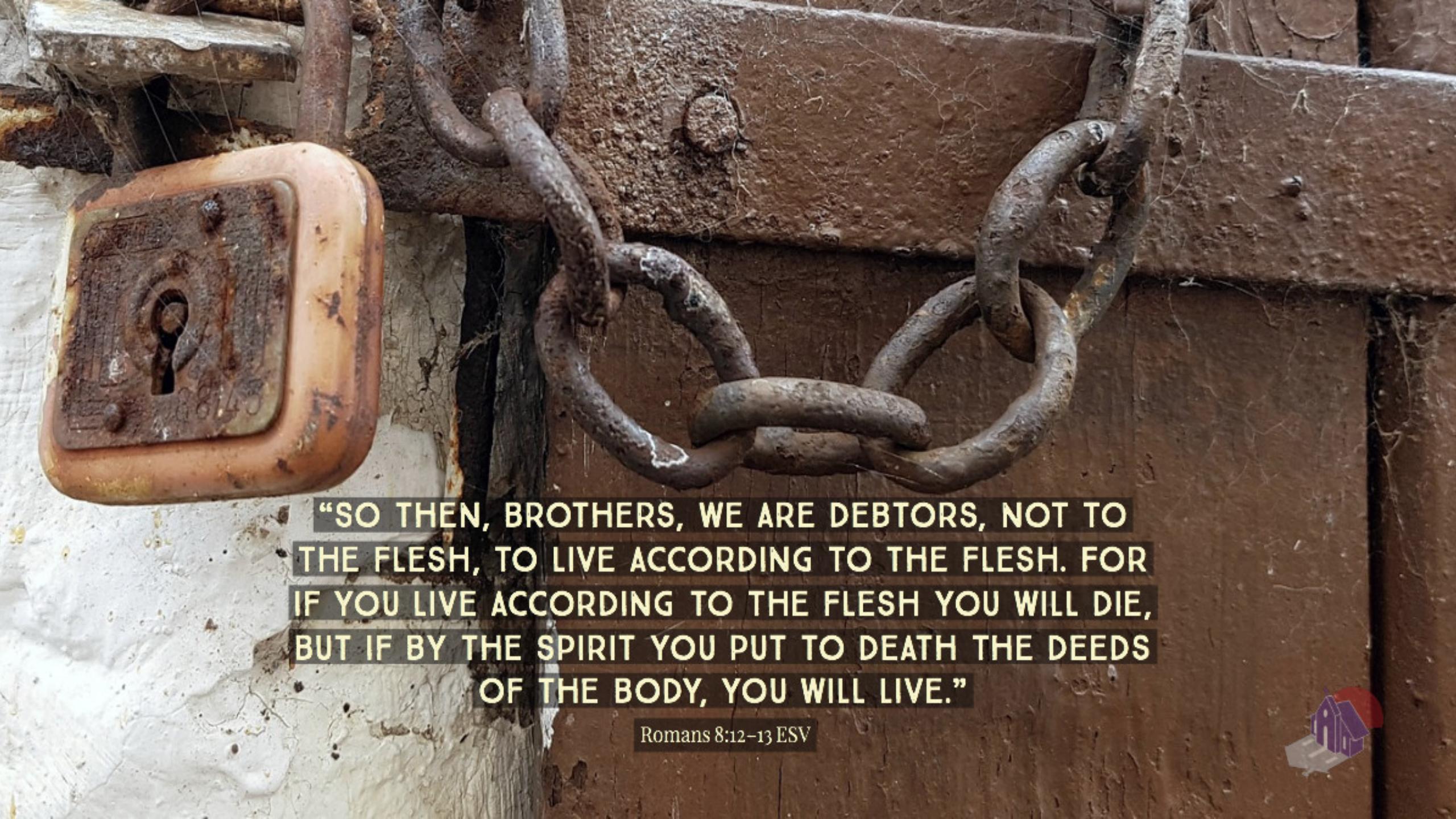
Rom 13:14 But **put ye on** the Lord
Jesus Christ...

'**endyō'** {en-doo'-oh}

- to sink into clothing
- clothe one's self

'That ye put off...the old man, which is corrupt according to the deceitful lusts...And be renewed in the spirit of your mind...And that ye put on the new man...' 





**“SO THEN, BROTHERS, WE ARE DEBTORS, NOT TO
THE FLESH, TO LIVE ACCORDING TO THE FLESH. FOR
IF YOU LIVE ACCORDING TO THE FLESH YOU WILL DIE,
BUT IF BY THE SPIRIT YOU PUT TO DEATH THE DEEDS
OF THE BODY, YOU WILL LIVE.”**

Romans 8:12–13 ESV



1. 'Wherfore putting away lying, speak every man truth...
2. Be ye angry, and sin not...
3. Let him that stole steal no more...
4. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth...

5. And grieve not the Holy Spirit
of God...

6. Let all...bitterness...
indignation...wrath...resentment...
quarreling...slander...be banished
from you...with all malice...

EPHESIANS 5

v2 And walk in love

v8 walk as children of light

v15 walk circumspectly [very careful]

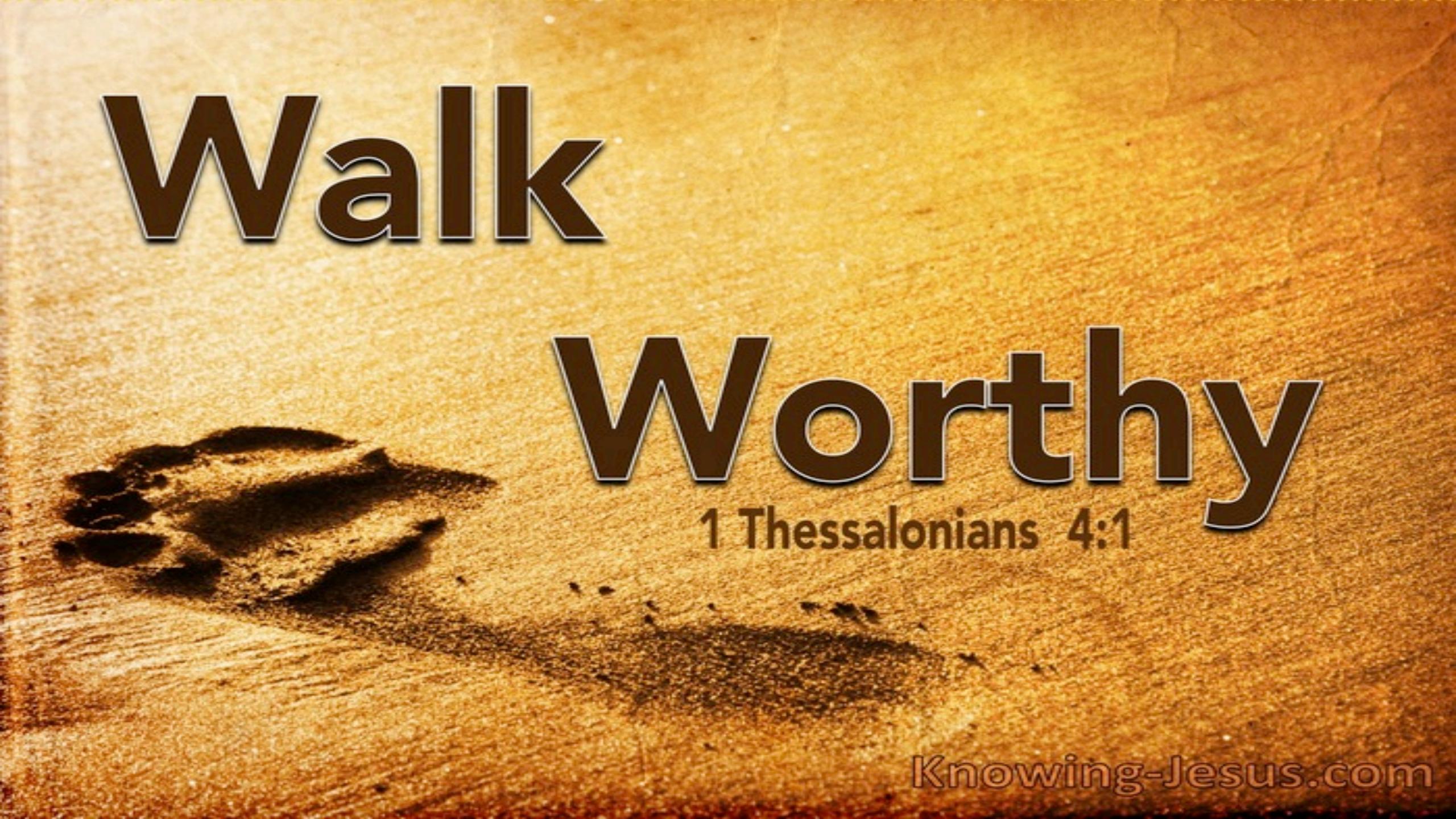
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**These are grumblers, finding fault,
following after their own lusts; they speak
arrogantly, flattering people for the sake
of gaining an advantage.**

— Jude 1:16 (NASB®)



Walk

Worthy

1 Thessalonians 4:1

For God did not
CALL US TO

UNCLEANNESS,

but in holiness.

1 Thessalonians 4:12

King James Version

That ye may walk honestly toward them that are without, and that ye may have lack of nothing.



Jude 1:17-19

But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ; How that they told you there should be mockers in the last time, who should walk after their own ungodly lusts. These be they who separate themselves, sensual, having not the Spirit.

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