

7-21-2024 – Hey Jude! Part 4 - Will God receive you with Great Joy into His presence?

Jude 1:17-19

¹⁷ But you, my dear friends, must remember what the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ predicted. ¹⁸ They told you that in the last times there would be scoffers whose purpose in life is to satisfy their ungodly desires. ¹⁹ These people are the ones who are creating divisions among you. They follow their natural instincts because they do not have God's Spirit in them.

Jude 1:20-21

²⁰ But you, dear friends, must build each other up in your most holy faith, pray in the power of the Holy Spirit, ²¹ and await the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will bring you eternal life. In this way, you will keep yourselves safe in God's love.

- 1. Build each other up in your most holy faith**
- 2. Pray in the power of the Holy Spirit**
- 3. Wait for the mercy of Jesus.**

BUILD UP – PRAY – WAIT ON JESUS

Do you want to be in the cross hairs of God's judgement?

Or, do you want to be safe in God's love?

Jude 1:22-23

²² And you must show mercy to those whose faith is wavering. ²³ Rescue others by snatching them from the flames of judgment. Show mercy to still others, but do so with great caution, hating the sins that contaminate their lives.

- 1. Show mercy to those whose faith is wavering**
- 2. Rescue others by snatching them for the flames of Judgement**
- 3. Show mercy to still others – but be careful.....hate the sins...show mercy to the person.**

He's identified 3 types of people in this charge to show mercy.

- 1. Godly....but faith is wavering – help them back**
- 2. Godly...but crossed over to the dark side with their selfish desires – rescue them with mercy.**
- 3. Ungodly – be careful – show them mercy, but hate their sin.**

Jude 1:24

²⁴ Now all glory to God, who is able to keep you from falling away and will bring you with great joy into his glorious presence without a single fault.

Jude 1:25

²⁵ All glory to him who alone is God, our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord. All glory, majesty, power, and authority are his before all time, and in the present, and beyond all time! Amen.

What will we do with Jude's warnings? What will we do with Jude's encouragements?

**Will we remain faithful? Will we pursue holiness? Will we love with mercy?
Will we be careful to steer clear of the ungodly who don't want to change?**

Will we stay encouraged? Will we build up? Will we pray? Will we wait expectantly?

Will we live a life that allows God to bring us with GREAT JOY into HIS GLORIOUS PRESENCE?