



BOOK OF JUDE SERIES
“HOW TO RECOGNIZE SPIRITUAL APOSTATES” Part 4
Jude 8-10

INTRODUCTION & REVIEW

REALIZING THE CHARACTERISTICS OF THOSE WHO DECEIVE – 8-11

1. In terms of the ATTITUDES they reflect – 8-11

A. An Explanation of those attitudes – 8

- Their Immorality – *defile the flesh* – v. 8b
- Their Insubordination – *reject authority* – v. 8c
- Their Irreverence – *blaspheme glorious ones* – vv. 8d – 10

B. The Experience of Michael and the Devil – v. 9

C. The Extent to which these false teachers will go in manifesting these attitudes – v. 10

¹⁰ But these people *blaspheme all that they do not understand*, and they are destroyed by all that they, like *unreasoning animals*, understand *instinctively*.

“unreasoning” – *alogos* – “a” negative – “logos” – word = without the word

“instinctively” – *physikos* – without the benefit of reason, or without revelation.

D. The Examples they follow – 11

- **Cain** – and the application of God's truth
- **Balaam** – and sinful ambition in God's work
- **Korah** – rebellion against God's appointment of authority

2. In terms of ASSOCIATION with believers – 12-13

A. Personal Conduct – v. 12

“waterless clouds” - mere promise of rain and then fail to deliver.

- They don't contribute – empty
- Easily blown

B. Spiritual Character – v. 12

“fruitless trees” – diseased and plucked up - pictures the disappointing reality of a barren harvest.

C. Moral Corruption – v. 13

“wild waves”- disgraceful attitudes and actions froth up to display all forms of heresy, deception, immorality, irreverence, insubordination.

D. Eternal Consequence – v. 13

“wandering stars” – signifies a meteor or “shooting star” that flashes across the sky in an uncontrolled moment of brilliance and then disappears forever.