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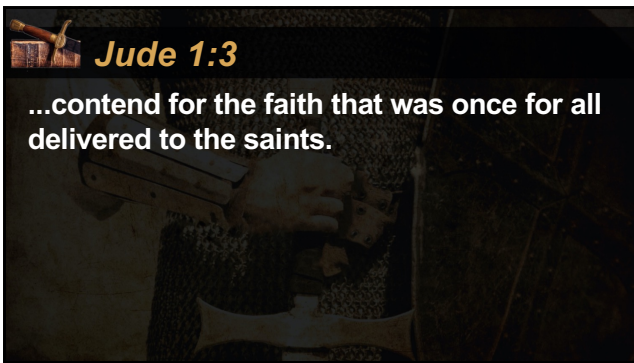
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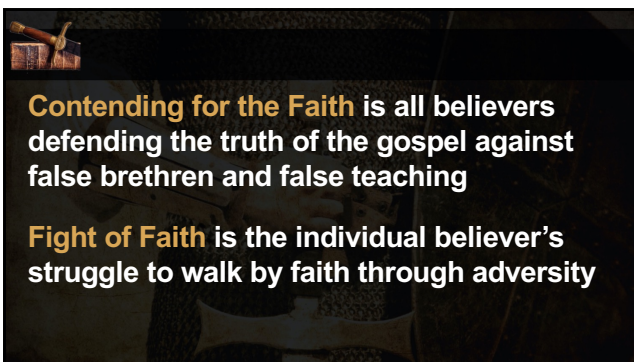
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**Contending for the Faith**

1. Gospel brings conflict and controversy
2. Know how to articulate your convictions
3. Memorize the Apostles Creed
4. Passions are doors for false teaching
5. Recognize the fruit of false teachers

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**Contending for the Faith**

6. Maintain divine tension in biblical truths
7. Aware of corrupting influence of sin
8. Avoid the judgment of the rebellious

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**Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our  
Lord;  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit  
and born of the virgin Mary;

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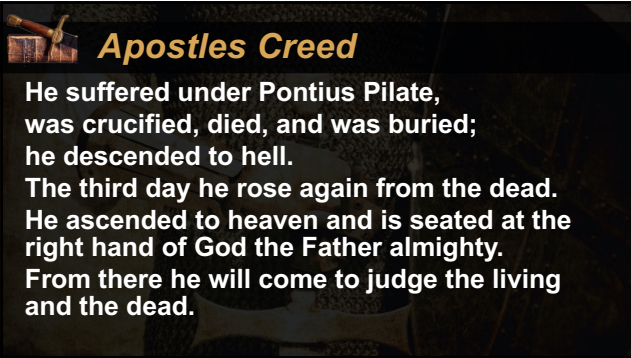
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**Apostles Creed**

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
 was crucified, died, and was buried;  
 he descended to hell.  
 The third day he rose again from the dead.  
 He ascended to heaven and is seated at the  
 right hand of God the Father almighty.  
 From there he will come to judge the living  
 and the dead.

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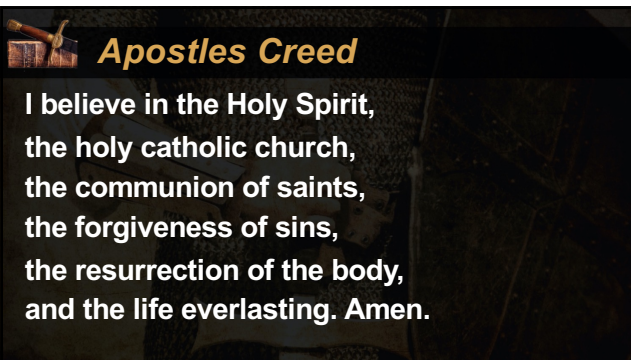
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**Apostles Creed**

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the holy catholic church,  
 the communion of saints,  
 the forgiveness of sins,  
 the resurrection of the body,  
 and the life everlasting. Amen.

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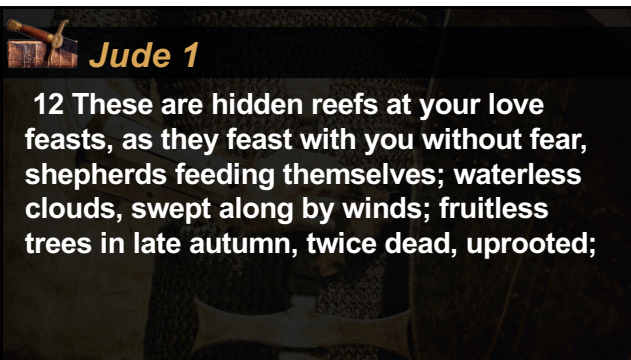
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**Jude 1**

12 These are hidden reefs at your love  
 feasts, as they feast with you without fear,  
 shepherds feeding themselves; waterless  
 clouds, swept along by winds; fruitless  
 trees in late autumn, twice dead, uprooted;

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**Jude 1**

13 wild waves of the sea, casting up the foam of their own shame; wandering stars, for whom the gloom of utter darkness has been reserved forever.

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**Unfruitful and Dangerous**

1. Hidden reefs [stains] at your love feasts
2. Shepherds feeding themselves
3. Waterless Clouds
4. Fruitless trees in late autumn
5. Wild waves
6. Wandering Stars

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**Jude 1**

14 It was also about these that Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of his holy ones,

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**Jude 1**

15 to execute judgment on all and to convict all the ungodly of all their deeds of ungodliness that they have committed in such an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things that ungodly sinners have spoken against him.”

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**Book of Enoch**

Book of Enoch is an ancient extra-biblical Hebrew text that is thought to be written by the great-grandfather of Noah and seventh generation descendant of Adam. Enoch lived a short life by Old Testament standards,

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**Enoch**

“Tertullian tells us that the book of Enoch’s prophecies were preserved by Noah in the ark, and that they continued and were read until the times of the apostles. But because they contained many famous testimonies concerning Jesus Christ, the Jews out of malice suppressed and abolished the whole book.”  
- John Trapp

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**Jude 1**

16 These are grumblers, malcontents, following their own sinful desires; they are loud-mouthed boasters, showing favoritism to gain advantage.

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**Methods: Misuse of Words**

1. Grumblers
2. Malcontents
3. Loud-mouthed boasters
4. Showing favoritism to gain an advantage

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**Jude 1**

17 But you must remember, beloved, the predictions of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ. 18 They said to you, "In the last time there will be scoffers, following their own ungodly passions." 19 It is these who cause divisions, worldly people, devoid of the Spirit.

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**2 Timothy 3:1-5**

1 But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. 2 For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, 3 heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good,

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**2 Timothy 3:1-5**

4 treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, 5 having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people.

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**Jude 1**

20 But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, 21 keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. 22 And have mercy on those who doubt;

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**Jude 1**

23 save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

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**Contending by Tending Yourself**

1. Building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit,
2. Keep yourselves in the love of God
3. Waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life.

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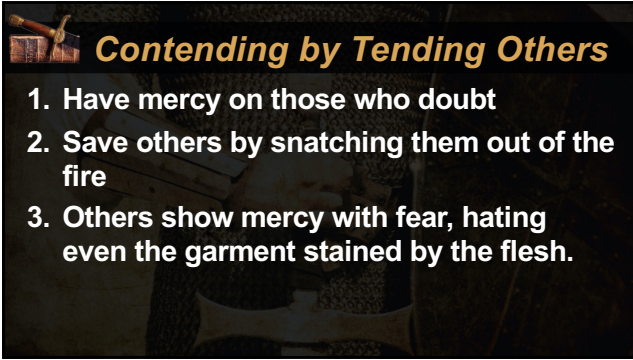
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**Contending by Tending Others**

1. Have mercy on those who doubt
2. Save others by snatching them out of the fire
3. Others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

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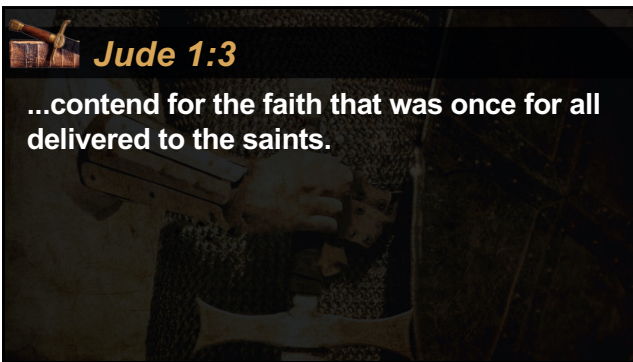
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**Jude 1:3**

...contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints.

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**CONTENDING**  
FOR THE FAITH

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