

Jude: Verses 1-4

VERSE 1: "Establishing identities." Note the 3 ways in which Jude identifies his readers.

Notes/observations on the verse:

In what ways do you see the same 3 things applying to you?

Do you feel that any of the three do not identify you, or do not identify you as much as you would like?

VERSE 2: "What I wish to be true for you." Jude list three qualities that he hopes are increasing in their lives.

Notes/observations on the verse:

Do you see yourself increasing in these qualities?

Are there other qualities you would like to see increasing in your life?

Do you see anything that keeps you from increasing in either the qualities listed by Jude, or that you have additionally come up with?

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VERSE 3: "A necessity to contend for the faith." See also 1 Peter 3:15.

Notes/observations on the verse:

Do you feel ready to contend for your faith?

Are there particular areas or things that you feel stronger in contending for?

Are there areas where you feel less able?

What, if any, are the dangers to us if we are not prepared to contend for our faith?

VERSE 4: "People who redefine the Gospel." Note the 2 ways these people tried to redefine the Gospel.

Notes/observations on the verse:

How do you think these people "crept in unnoticed"?

What do we need to do to keep ourselves (individually) from allowing false teaching to creep in unnoticed in our faith?