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Summary Of Jude: Jude, the half brother of Jesus, wrote to warn believers about apostasy (defection, abandonment of the faith). False teachers had crept into the Church, turning God's grace into sinful license. Christians must avoid deception and "*contend earnestly for the faith*".

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THE CHRISTIAN'S WARNING

Summary: Jude tells what apostasy is and how to avoid it.

I. Warning about apostates (1-4):

(A) the greeting (1-2); (B) the remedy (3); (C) the danger (4).

II. Describing apostates (5-16):

(A) examples in the past (5-7)

1. unbelief (5) [Heb. 3:16-19]; 2. rebellion (6); 3. immorality (7)

(B) examples in the present (8-16).

1. arrogance (8-10); 2. ambition (11); 3. worthlessness (12-13);

4. ungodliness (14-16)

III. Resisting apostates (17-25)

(A) remember the word (17-19); (B) be spiritually strong (20-21); (C) be merciful to others (22-23); (D) glorify God (24-25).

Lesson: *Apostasy is all around. To avoid it, stay spiritually healthy.*