

The Letter of

Jude



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What to do about the danger of the *certain men*

- **Significantly, Jude does not tell us to attack the certain men who are a danger to the church.**
 - **Instead, he tells us**
 - **to focus on our walk with the Lord,**
 - **help others affected by the certain men,**
 - **and to focus on God.**
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What do you think of
Jude's approach to deal
with the false teachers?





We simply are to pay the certain men no attention, except for what is necessary for our warning. God will take care of them.



1. (20-21) Take a look *inward*.

But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.

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- **a. Keep yourselves in the love of God:**
keep yourself in harmony with God's ever-present love.
 - **b. Building yourselves up on your most holy faith:**
keep growing spiritually, and to keep building up. We cannot wait for spiritual growth to just happen or expect others to make us grow.


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- The **most holy faith** is the same as the faith once delivered to the saints.
 - We grow on the foundation of the truth.
 - Keep walking in the experience of the love of God.

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- **c. Praying in the Holy Spirit**

Many of our prayers are directed by our own needs, by our own intellects, or by our own wishes and desires.

To pray in the Holy Spirit means to pray according to his teaching, and in his power, depending upon God.

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- The Holy Spirit may help us pray by giving us the right words to say when we pray.
 - He may speak through *groanings which cannot be uttered* ([Romans 8:26](#)).
 - Or the Holy Spirit may do it through the gift of tongues, a gift God gives to seeking hearts, which want to communicate with Him on a deeper level than normal conversation.



**2. (22-23) Take a look *outward*,
to those around you.**

And on some have compassion, making a distinction; but others save with fear, pulling *them* out of the fire, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.

- a. **On some have compassion:** Jude begins here to tell us what we must do with those who have been influenced by these *certain men*. We need to make **a distinction**, based on where they are coming from.
- Using wisdom, we approach different people in different manners. By being sensitive to the Holy Spirit, we can know when we should comfort, and when we should rebuke.

- The means we continue to love them. No matter how bad a person is, or how misleading and terrible their doctrine, we are not allowed to hate them – or to be unconcerned for their salvation.
- **Compassion** often means watching over someone, helping them with accountability. “Meantime watch over others as well as yourselves; and give them such help as their various needs require.”