

The General Epistle of Jude

1 Jude, a servant of Jesus Christ and brother of James, to those who are called, beloved in God the Father, and kept by Jesus Christ:

²May mercy and peace and love be multiplied to you.

³Beloved, while being very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you urging you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the holy ones. ⁴For some people have crept in unnoticed, those who were written of beforehand, some time ago, for this condemnation, ungodly men, who turn the grace of our God into unrestrained behavior, and are denying our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ.

⁵Now I want to remind you, though you know all *these things*, that the Lord once, having saved a people out of the land of Egypt, the second *time* destroyed those who did not believe. ⁶And angels that did not keep their own domain, but left their proper habitation, he has kept in everlasting bonds under darkness for *the judgment of the great Day*.

⁷Likewise, Sodom and Gomorrah and the cities around them, in the same way as these having indulged in sexual immorality and gone after

unnatural flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the punishment of the fire *of the Age to come*.

⁸Yet in the same way these *people* also, as a result of their dreams, defile the flesh, and reject dominion, and blaspheme glorious beings. ⁹But when Michael the archangel, contending with the Slanderer, was disputing about the body of Moses, he did not dare bring against him a blaspheming accusation, but said, "The Lord rebuke you." ¹⁰But these blaspheme whatever they do not understand, and whatever they do understand instinctively, like unreasoning animals, by these they are destroyed.

¹¹Woe to them! For they went in the way of Cain, and poured themselves out for Balaam's error for the sake of gain, and destroyed themselves in the rebellion of Korah. ¹²These are those who are hidden reefs at your love-feasts, feasting together with you without fear, shepherding *only* themselves, clouds without water carried along by winds, autumn trees without fruit, twice dead, uprooted, ¹³wild waves of the sea, casting up their own shame like foam, wandering stars, for whom the gloom of age-long darkness has been reserved.

¹⁴And Enoch, the seventh from Adam, also prophesied about these, saying, "Look!, the Lord came with ten thousands of his holy ones, ¹⁵to execute judgment upon all, and

to convict all the ungodly of all their works of ungodliness that they have committed in an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things which ungodly sinners have spoken against him.”

¹⁶These are grumblers, complainers, following after their own *ungodly* desires, and their mouth say arrogant *things*. They flatter people’s faces for their own advantage.

¹⁷But you, beloved, remember the words that have been spoken beforehand by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁸that they said to you, “In the last time there will be mockers, walking after their own lusts for ungodly *things*.”

¹⁹These are those who cause divisions, worldly-minded, not having spirit.

²⁰But you, beloved, continue building yourselves up in your most holy faith, praying by holy spirit.

²¹Keep yourselves in the love of God, expecting the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ for life *in the Age to come*.

²²And have mercy on those who are doubting, ²³and save others, by snatching them out of the fire, and on *still* others have mercy with fear, hating even the tunic stained by the flesh.

²⁴Now to him who is able to guard you from stumbling and to set you without blemish before the presence of his glory with jubilation, ²⁵to the only God our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, *be*

glory, majesty, might, and authority, before all the age, and now, and unto all the ages. Amen.