

Instructions and Exhortations (Note their Context)

3 appealing that you contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints

17 ought to remember the words that were spoken beforehand by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ

20-21 But you, beloved, building yourselves up on your most holy faith; praying in the Holy Spirit; keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting anxiously for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life.

22-23 And have mercy on some, who are doubting; save others, snatching them out of the fire; and on some have mercy with fear, hating even the garment polluted by the flesh.

Jude 1:17-18 - ¹⁷ But you, beloved, ought to remember the words that were spoken beforehand by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁸ that they were saying to you, "In the last time there shall be mockers, following after their own ungodly lusts."

2 Peter 3:1-6 - ¹ This is now, beloved, the second letter I am writing to you in which I am stirring up your sincere mind by way of reminder, ² that you should remember the words spoken beforehand by the holy prophets and the commandment of the Lord and Savior *spoken* by your apostles. ³ Know this first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with *their* mocking, following after their own lusts, ⁴ and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For *ever* since the fathers fell asleep, all continues just as it was from the beginning of creation." ⁵ For when they maintain this, it escapes their notice that by the word of God *the* heavens existed long ago and *the* earth was formed out of water and by water, ⁶ through which the world at that time was destroyed, being flooded with water.

17 But

aor pass imp, mimnesko, 23x, to remind one's self of, to remember a thing

rhema, 70x, a thing spoken, word, an utterance

humeis, you (emphatic)

you, beloved, ought to remember the words

agapetos. 62x, adj, 1) beloved, esteemed, dear, favourite, worthy of love

apostolos, 81x, messenger, one sent forth with orders

that were spoken beforehand by the apostles

perf pass ptc, proeido, 21x, to say or warn in advance, to foresee, predict

of our Lord Jesus Christ,

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that they were saying to you,

chronos, 53x, time either long or short

“In the last time

empaiktes, 2x, a mocker, a scoffer, scorners, one who makes fun of another

there shall be mockers,

pres mid ptc, poreuomai, 154x, to pursue the journey on which one has entered, to continue on one's journey

asebes, 9x, destitute of reverential awe towards God, condemning God, impious

following after their own ungodly lusts.”

pres act ptc, apodiorizo, 1x, to disjoin, part, separate from another, making divisions or separations

epithumia, 38x, desire, craving, longing, desire for what is forbidden, lust

19 These are the ones who cause divisions,

psuchikos, 6x, having the nature and characteristics of the breath, the principal of animal life, which men have in common with the brutes, the sensuous nature with its subjection to appetite & passion

worldly-minded,

pres act ptc, echo, to have

devoid of the Spirit.

cf. 1 John 2:18-20; Romans 8:5-9

Responsibilities of Believers to Themselves (v20-21)

20 But

humeis, you (emphatic) *agapetos. 62x, adj, 1) beloved, esteemed, dear, favourite, worthy of love*

you, beloved,

pres act ptc, epoikodomeo, 8x, to build upon, build up \approx *To finish the structure of which the foundation has already been laid, to give constant increase in Christian knowledge and in a life conformed thereto*

pistis, conviction of the truth, here, the body of truth, doctrine, the received articles of faith, the word of God

building yourselves up on your most holy faith;

pres mid ptc, proseuchomai, 87x, 1)
to offer prayers, to pray

praying in the Holy Spirit;

(en pneumati hagiôî)

aor act imp, tereo, 75x, to guard; metaph. *agape, 116x, love, affection, devotion, esp.*

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en = in, locative of sphere, i.e, in the realm of the Spirit

Ephesians 6:18-20

¹⁸ With all prayer (*proseuche, prayer directed to God*) and petition (*deesis, request*) pray (*pres mid ptc, proseuchomai*) at all times in the Spirit (*en pneumati*), and with this in view, be on the alert with all perseverance and petition (*deesis, request*) for all the saints, ¹⁹ and pray on my behalf, that utterance may be given to me in the opening of my mouth, to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains; that in *proclaiming* it I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak.

Dealing with Mockers	Keep Yourselves in the Love of God	Building Your Faith	Praying in the Spirit	Waiting for Jesus
<p>Jude 1:17-18 – remember words of Christ’s apostles (NT)</p> <p>2Pet 3:1-6 – remember words of holy prophets (OT) & commandments of Christ’s apostles (NT)</p> <p>Jude 20-21 – building yourselves up on your most holy faith, praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting anxiously for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life</p>	<p>Agapao, 142x, to love dearly, place first in one’s affections</p> <p>Agape, 116x, love, used of sacrificial love, a love of the will</p> <p>1. John 14:15,21,23-24 – love Jesus = keep His commandments</p> <p>Blessings: intimacy with Jesus & the Father</p> <p>2. John 15:9-10 – keep Jesus’ commandments = abide in His love</p> <p>3. 1 John 2:3-6 – keep His Word = love of God perfected in him</p> <p>4. 1 John 3:23-24 – love one another = keep His commandments = abides in Him</p> <p>Know He abides in us by the Spirit given to us</p> <p>5. 1 John 4:10-21 – love one another for love is from God & God is love</p>	<p>Col 2:6-7 – as you received Christ the Lord, so walk in Him, being rooted, built up & established as instructed, & overflowing with gratitude</p> <p>Eph 2:19-22 – built on foundation of apostles & prophets, Christ the cornerstone / built together into a dwelling of God in the Spirit</p> <p>Rom 10:17 – faith comes by hearing the word of Christ</p> <p>2Th 1:3-4 – faith greatly enlarged & love grows ever greater in midst of persecutions & afflictions</p>	<p><u>Examples:</u></p> <p>Eph 1:15-23</p> <p>Eph 3:14-21</p> <p>Phil 1:9-11</p> <p>Col 1:9-14</p> <p><u>Exhortation</u></p> <p>1Tim 2:1-8 – Paul urges that entreaties, prayers, petitions & thanksgivings be made for all men, for kings & all in authority that we may lead a tranquil & quiet life in all godliness & dignity</p>	<p>1John 3:2-3 – purifying hope</p> <p>1 Pet 1:3-9 – obtain imperishable inheritance, salvation, praise, glory & honor</p> <p>1Th 1:9-10 – deliverance from wrath to come</p> <p>1Th 3:11-13 – hearts established unblamable in holiness</p> <p>1Th 5:4-11 - be sober & alert because not destined for wrath</p> <p>2Th 1:5-10 – Relief when Jesus comes & destroys our enemies / Jesus glorified in His saints</p> <p>Phil 3:20-21 – Jesus transforms our bodies to be like His</p> <p>Rom 8:22-25 – we wait eagerly for the redemption of our body while creation waits for its freedom from slavery to corruption</p>

22 And

pres act imp, eleeo, 31x, to have mercy on, to help one afflicted or seeking aid

have mercy on some,

who are doubting:

Responsibilities of Believers to Others (v22-23)

pres mid ptc, diakrino, 19x, 1) to separate, make a distinction, discriminate, to prefer 2) to learn by discrimination, to try, decide 2a) to determine, give judgment, decide a dispute 3) to withdraw from one, desert 4) to separate one's self in a hostile spirit, to oppose, strive with dispute, contend 5) to be at variance with one's self, hesitate, doubt

Clarke on Jude 1:22 - And of some have compassion, making a difference - The general meaning of this exhortation is supposed to be, “Ye are not to deal alike with all those who have been seduced by false teachers; ye are to make a difference between those who have been led away by weakness and imprudence, and those who, in the pride and arrogance of their hearts, and their unwillingness to submit to wholesome discipline, have separated themselves from the Church, and become its inveterate enemies.”

Instead of *Kai hous men eleeite diakrinomenoi*, and of some have compassion, making a difference, many MSS., versions, and fathers have *kai hous men elegcheite diakrinomenous*, and some rebuke, after having judged them; or, rebuke those that differ; or, some that are wavering convince; or whatever else the reader pleases: for this and the following verse are all confusion, both in the MSS. and versions; and it is extremely difficult to know what was the original text. Our own is as likely as any.

Responsibilities of Believers to Others (v22-23)

*pres act imp, sozo, 110x, to save, keep safe &
sound, to rescue from danger or destruction*

23 save others,

*pres act ptc, harpazo, 13x, to seize, carry off by force,
to claim for one's self eagerly, to snatch out or away*

snatching them out of the fire;

and

on some

*pres act imp, eleeo, 31x, to have mercy on,
to help one afflicted or seeking aid*

have mercy with fear, *phobos, 47x, fear, dread, terror, that which strikes terror*

*pres act ptc, miseo, 42x, to hate, detest, perf pass ptc, spiloo, 2x, to defile, to spot (see James
3:6, of the tongue defiling the whole body)*

hating even the garment polluted by the flesh.

Matthew 13:1-23 – Parable of the Sower. How will this parable help you in dealing with the different groups of people, in particular, the last group?

How to Respond to People Who Doubt & to Unbelievers

Jude 22-23a – have mercy on some who are doubting; save others, snatching them out of the fire

Acts 26:15-18 – preach Jesus & open their eyes so that they may turn from darkness to light & from the dominion of Satan to God, in order to receive forgiveness of sins & an inheritance

1Th 5:14-15 – admonish the unruly, encourage the fainthearted, help the weak, be patient with all men; don't repay evil for evil but seek after the good for all

1Tim 5:19-20 – those who continue in sin, rebuke in the presence of all, so that the rest also may be fearful of sinning

SNATCHING THEM OUT OF THE FIRE

Jer 3:12-15 – return to God for He is gracious, only acknowledge your iniquity & disobedience & return to the Lord

How to Respond to Unbelievers

Jude 23b – on some, have mercy with fear, hating the garment polluted by the flesh

Cf. Matt 13:1-23 – Parable of the Sower

Heb 10:26-31 – no sacrifice for wilful sin, only a terrifying expectation of judgment & fire from the Lord

Doxology

Jude 24-25 – God is able to keep you from stumbling & to make you stand in the presence of His glory blameless with great joy

1Th 5:23-24 – God will sanctify you entirely, & preserve your spirit, soul & body complete without blame at Jesus' coming

2Pet 1:10-11 – if we practice the 7 godly qualities, you will never stumble & will obtain an abundant entrance into Christ's kingdom

2Pet 3:17-18 – be on your guard lest, being carried away by error of unprincipled men, you fall from your own steadfastness, but grow in the grace & knowledge of Christ

24 Now

aor act inf, phulasso, 30x, to guard a person that he may remain safe, to protect, to preserve safe & unimpaired, to guard from being lost or perishing

to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling,

pres mid ptc, dunamai, 210x, to be able, capable, strong & powerful **and**

aptaistos, adj, 1x, not stumbling, standing firm, exempt from falling

to make you stand in the presence of His glory

aor act inf, histemi, 158x, to cause a person to keep his place, to establish, to continue safe & sound, stand unharmed

blameless with great joy,

25 to the only God our Savior,

amomos, 7x, morally: without blemish, faultless, unblameable

through Jesus Christ our Lord,

God's Responsibility (v24)

be glory,

God's Glory (v25)

majesty,

dominion

and

authority,

before all time

and

now

and

forever.

Amen.

1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 - ²³ Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you entirely; and may your spirit and soul and body be preserved complete, without blame at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. ²⁴ Faithful is He who calls you, and He also will bring it to pass.

2 Peter 1:10-11 - ¹⁰ Therefore, brethren, be all the more diligent to make certain about His calling and choosing you; for as long as you practice these things, you will never stumble; ¹¹ for in this way the entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ will be abundantly supplied to you.

2 Peter 3:17-18 - ¹⁷ You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, be on your guard lest, being carried away by the error of unprincipled men, you fall from your own steadfastness, ¹⁸ but grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To Him *be the glory*, both now and to the day of eternity. Amen.

How a Sinner becomes a Saint

1. must see self as a sinner, totally incapable of saving yourself (Jeremiah 3:13)
2. must believe that reconciliation is provided through Christ's death (Rom 5:8-11; Col 1:19-23)
3. must appropriate it by faith (Romans 10:9-10; Acts 2:38)

KINGDOM OF GOD

Christ's sinless blood, the ransom price (Leviticus 17:11; Hebrews 9:22, 11:14)
Therefore, God's wrath propitiated

The Finished Work of Christ
(1 Timothy 2:5-6; Acts 4:12)

CHASM
BETWEEN GOD'S HOLINESS AND MAN'S SINFULNESS

The Depravity of Man
(Romans 3:10, 23)

- imputed sin (Rom 5:12-21)
- Inherent sin (Ps 51:5)
- personal sin (Rom 3:10-12, 23)

BEFORE THE FALL Gen 1:24-31; 2:4-8, 15-17
AFTER THE FALL Gen 3:1-7
KINGDOM OF SATAN



Benefits of Salvation

EPHESIANS 2:11-22
• access to God
• of God's household
• Children of God
• saints

ROMANS 5:1-11
• peace with God
• introduction
• stand in grace
• God's love
• saved from wrath
• reconciled

COST: Luke 9:23-26
Matthew 10:37-39
Mark 8:34-38
Luke 14:26-35

Rom 5:8-10

John 3:16
Rom 2:4
2 Peter 3:9

RESULTS OF THE FALL

Romans 5:12, 19
1 Corinthians 15:21-22
John 3:18
Acts 26:18
Romans 7:25
Galatians 3:22
Ephesians 2:1-3
2 Thessalonians 1:8-9
Titus 1:15

Adam sinned
All sinned
(Gen 5:1-3)

GOD, OFFENDED (Hab 1:13)

ENMITY (Romans 5:10)
(Rom 3:23; 6:23; James 2:10; Gal 3:10)

MAN, SINFUL (Gal 3:22)

HOW TO SHARE THE GOSPEL

Matthew 7:13-27

v13-14 - Two Gates, Two Ways, Two Destinies

13 “Enter by the narrow gate;

for the gate is wide,

and the way is broad that leads to destruction,

and many are those who enter by it.

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For the gate is small,

and the way is narrow that leads to life,

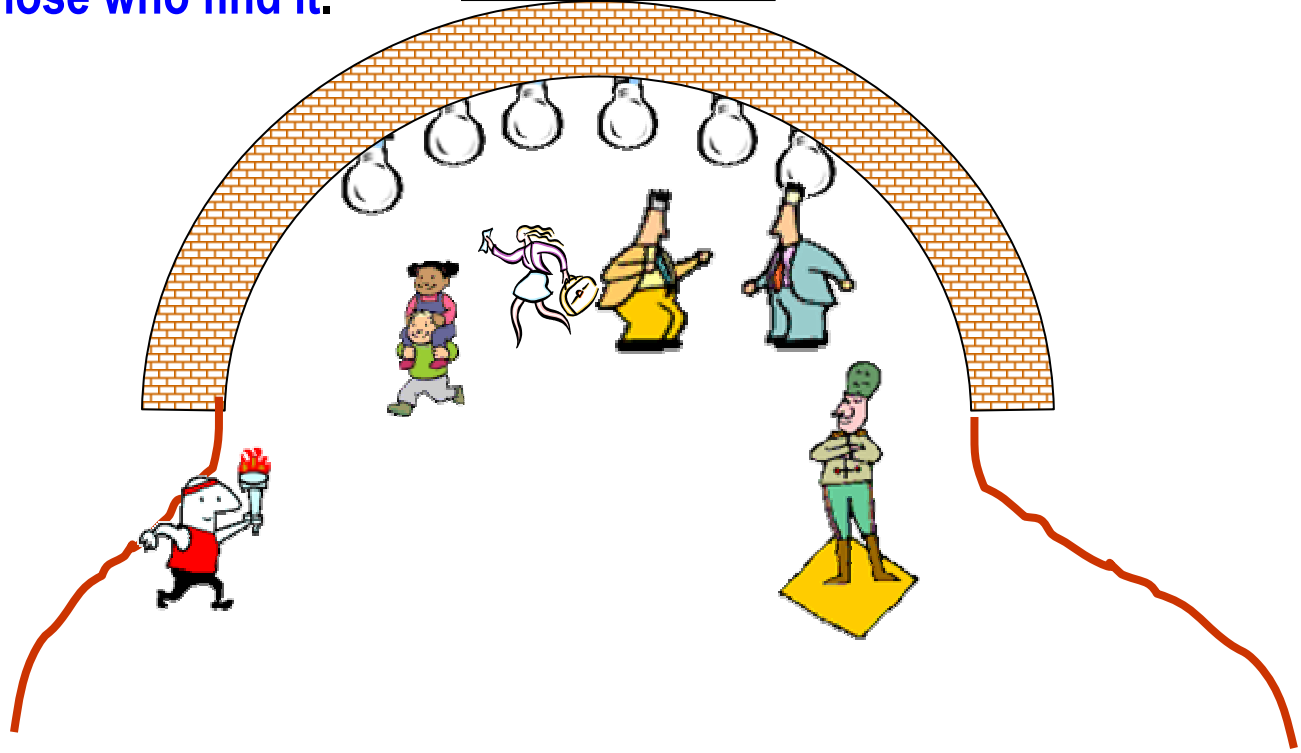
and few are those who find it.

Narrow Gate	Wide Gate
Narrow Way	Broad Way
To Life	To Destruction
Few find it	Many enter by it

To HEAVEN



To HEAVEN



v15-23 – Two Types of Deception

¹⁵ **“Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves.”** ¹⁶ **You will know them by their fruits.**

Grapes are not gathered from thorn *bushes*, nor figs from thistles, are they? ¹⁷ Even so, every good tree bears good fruit; but the bad tree bears bad fruit. ¹⁸ A good tree cannot produce bad fruit, nor can a bad tree produce good fruit. ¹⁹ Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. ²⁰ **So then, you will know them by their fruits.**

Deception by Yourself

²¹ **“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven; but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven.”** ²² Many will say to Me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?’ ²³ **And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness.’**

v24-27 – Two Men, Two Foundations

²⁴ “Therefore everyone who hears these words of Mine, and acts upon them, may be compared to a wise man, who built his house upon the rock. ²⁵ And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and burst against that house; and yet it did not fall, for it had been founded upon the rock.

²⁶ “And everyone who hears these words of Mine, and does not act upon them, will be like a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand. ²⁷ And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and burst against that house; and it fell, and great was its fall.”

Contend Earnestly for the Faith

How to Deal with False Teachers & False Teachings

v1-4 The Announcement of Apostasy

v1-2 The Address

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v4 The Apostates

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Their Description

Their Deeds

Their Destiny

v17-25 The Antidote to Apostasy

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v20-21 Keep

v22-23 Save

v24-25 God is able to keep