Structural Analysis of the Letter of Jude

1:1
Jude,
a bond-servant of Jesus Christ,
and
brother of James,
to those who are the called,
beloved in God the Father,
and
kept for Jesus Christ:
1:2
May mercy
and
peace
and
love be multiplied to you.
1:3
Beloved,
while I was making every effort to write you
about our common salvation,
I felt the necessity to write to you
appealing that you contend earnestly for the faith
which was once for all
delivered to the saints.
1:4
For
certain persons have crept in unnoticed,
those who were long beforehand
marked out for this condemnation,
ungodly persons who turn the grace of our God into licentiousness
and
deny our only Master
and
Lord, Jesus Christ.
1:5
Now
I desire to remind you,
though you know all things once for all,
that
the Lord,
after saving a people out of the land of Egypt,
subsequently destroyed those who did not believe.
1:6
And
angels who did not keep their own domain,
but
abandoned their proper abode,
He has kept
in eternal bonds
under darkness
for the judgment of the great day.
1:7
Just as Sodom

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and
Gomorrah
and
the cities around them,
since they
in the same way as these
indulged in gross immorality
and
went after strange flesh,
are exhibited as an example,
in undergoing the punishment of eternal fire.
1:8
Yet
in the same manner
these men,
also by dreaming,
defile the flesh,
and
reject authority,
and
revile angelic majesties.
1:9
But
Michael the archangel,
when he disputed with the devil
and
argued about the body of Moses,
did not dare pronounce against him a railing judgment,
but
said,
"The Lord rebuke you."
1:10
But
these men revile the things which they do not understand;
and
the things which they know by instinct,
like unreasoning animals,
by these things
they are destroyed.
1:11
Woe to them!
For
they have gone the way of Cain,
and
for pay
they have rushed headlong into the error of Balaam,
and
perished in the rebellion of Korah.
1:12
These men are those who are hidden reefs in your love feasts
when they feast with you without fear,
caring for themselves;
clouds without water,
carried along by winds;

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autumn trees without fruit,
doubly dead,
uprooted;
1:13
wild waves of the sea,
casting up their own shame like foam;
wandering stars,
for whom the black darkness has been reserved forever.
1:14
And
about these also
Enoch,
in the seventh *generation* from Adam,
prophesied,
saying,
"Behold,
the Lord came with many thousands of His holy ones,
1:15
to execute judgment upon all,
and
to convict all the ungodly of all their ungodly deeds
which they have done in an ungodly way,
and
of all the harsh things
which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him."
1:16
These are grumblers,
finding fault,
following after their *own* lusts;
they speak arrogantly,
flattering people for the sake of *gaining an* advantage.
1:17
But
you, beloved, ought to remember the words
that were spoken beforehand
by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ,
1:18
that they were saying to you,
"In the last time
there shall be mockers,
following after their own ungodly lusts."
1:19
These are the ones who cause divisions,
worldly-minded,
devoid of the Spirit.
1:20
But
you, beloved,
building yourselves up on your most holy faith;
praying in the Holy Spirit;
1:21
keep yourselves in the love of God,
waiting anxiously for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life.
1:22

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And
have mercy on some,
who are doubting;
1:23
save others,
snatching them out of the fire;
and
on some
have mercy with fear,
hating even the garment polluted by the flesh.
1:24
Now
to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling,
and
to make you stand in the presence of His glory
blameless with great joy,
1:25
to the only God our Savior,
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
be glory,
majesty,
dominion
and
authority,
before all time
and
now
and
forever.
Amen.

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