

Dear Parents,

Jude, along with James, was a younger half-brother of Jesus. And like James, it wasn't until Jesus rose from the dead that Jude believed Jesus was the Son of God. Sometime between AD 65 and AD 80, Jude wrote a short letter to warn believers about false teachers. False teachers had secretly made their way into the church, and Jude urged his readers not to abandon their beliefs but to "contend for the faith" (Jude 3).

Jude wanted them to not only defend the true teachings but also to actively share the gospel. He told his friends to show mercy to those who doubt, to lead others to Jesus, and to hate sin.

There are still false teachers today, and some of them still try to sneak into the church itself. Remind your children that God loves us, and He warns us through Scripture to be on guard. We can study His Word to know what is true, and we can rely on the Holy Spirit for wisdom and discernment.

Such a strong warning about false teachers might be reason for panic among believers, but Jude ended his letter reminding them of God's promise. Ultimately, Jesus is the One who protects His people from sin. Throughout history, God has been working out His plan to bring a people to Himself. God will keep us, and He calls us to not only remember His truth but to encourage other believers to defend the faith.

As you talk with your kids about this story, emphasize that **Jude warned the early Christians that some people would try to divide them by sinning and by teaching things that weren't true. Jesus is the way, the truth, and the life—the One who protects His people from sin. Because of Jesus, we will be able to stand before God with joy.**

QUESTIONS-

1. What book of the Bible did our story come from? (*Jude*)
2. How was Jude related to Jesus? (*He was Jesus' younger half-brother.*)
3. Why did Jude write this letter? (**Jude encouraged Christians to stand strong in the faith, Jude 3**)
4. What problem were the believers facing? (*False teachers were telling them untrue things about Jesus and trying to get them to sin, Jude 4,18-19*)
5. What book of the Bible does our key passage come from? (*2 Timothy*)
5. Where can we read about God's truth? (*the Bible, God's Word*)
7. ***How do we live while waiting for Jesus to return? We remember God's truth, grow in godliness, and spread the gospel.***

FAMILY STARTING POINTS

- **Babies and Toddlers**
 - God teaches us through the Bible.

- People were teaching wrong things about Jesus.
- Jude wrote a letter to help people know the truth.
- The Bible helps us know what is true about Jesus.

- Preschool

- How do we live while waiting for Jesus to come back? We follow

Jesus and tell everyone about Him.

- Jude told believers to always remember God's truth.

- Kids

- How do we live while waiting for Jesus to return? We remember

God's truth, grow in godliness, and spread the gospel.

- Jude encouraged Christians to stand strong in the faith.

UNIT KEY PASSAGE

- **2 Timothy 3:16-17**

"All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful to teach us what is true and to make us realize what is wrong in our lives. It corrects us when we are wrong and teaches us to do what is right. God uses it to prepare and equip his people to do every good work."

Thank you for joining us for our Bible story. Our prayer is that you and your child will grow in your faith and relationship with Christ.

Blessings,
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