God Will Judge the Ungodly Jude 1:14-19

• The Prediction of Judgment on False Teachers (Jude 1:14-15a)

- o "It was about these..." "These" here is in reference to the false teachers (v. 4, 8, 10-13, 15-16, 19).
- "Enoch, the seventh son of Adam, prophesied..." Just because something is not Biblical or God-breathed doesn't mean it is not true. Paul also quoted from extra-biblical texts as he was inspired by the Holy Spirit (Acts 17:28; 1 Cor. 15:33; Titus 1:12).
- "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of his holy ones..." This is the first prophecy given from God to a human for men. The first prophecy was in Genesis 3:15, given directly from God.
- "To execute judgment... to convict..." Jude brings this prophecy of judgment to the reader's attention to focus on the unchanging (immutable) nature of God's justice and wrath (Mt. 25:31; 1 Thess. 3:13).

The Heart and Tongue of False Teachers (Jude 1:15b-16)

- "Ungodly... ungodliness... ungodly... ungodly..." The repetition used here emphasizes the depth of sin committed against a perfect, holy God.
- "These are..." All that characterizes the speech of the "ungodly sinner" is in direct opposition to what the child of God has been called to:
 - Grumblers: (Murmuring) A complaint against God and the commandments He has given. This is to express discontent against God and His Law (Phil. 2:14-15; Phil. 4:6; Rom. 13:1-2; Heb. 13:17).
 - Malcontents: A complaint against the circumstances/situations in life. This is to express discontent with the lot in life God has given (Phil. 4:11-13; 2 Cor. 9:8; Phil. 4:19; 1 Tim. 6:6-8).
 - Following their own sinful desires: An unchallenged, unrestrained delight in their sin and the proclamation of that sin (Rom. 6:1-4, 10-14, 17; 12:2; Eph. 4:29; Col. 3:8).
 - Loud-mouthed boasters: A noisy, puffed-up arrogance. Ungodly men "talk big" and sound eloquent and full of wisdom, but it is all lacking the truth (1 Thess. 4:11-12; Prov. 10:19; 17:27; Ps. 138:6; Prov. 3:34; Jam. 4:6, 10; Prov. 16:18; Jer. 9:23-24; 1 Cor. 1:31; 2 Cor. 10:17-18).
 - Showing favoritism to gain advantage: An urge to scratch "itching ears" (2 Tim. 4:3-4; Prov. 26:28) in order to gain power, influence, wealth, etc. (Acts 10:34; Rom. 2:11; Jam. 2:1; Rom. 15:1-3; Phil. 2:1-4; 1 Pet. 5:2-3).

The Reminder to Those Beloved in God (Jude 1:17-18)

- "You must remember..." The call is to remember because too often we lose sight of God's Word and His promises to His people (Jn. 15:20; 16:4; Acts 20:35; Eph. 2:11-12; Col. 4:18; 1 Thess. 2:9; 2 Thess. 2:5; 2 Tim. 2:8; Heb. 13:3, 7; 2 Pet. 3:2; Rev. 2:5; 3:3).
- "In the last time..." The "last times" or "last days" refers to the period of time between the first and second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. This quote is not directly found in any of the four Gospels, but it is strongly alluded to in Peter's second epistle (2 Pet. 3:2-3, 9-10; Rom. 2:3-5).

• The Outcome and True Condition of False Teachers (Jude 1:19)

- "Cause divisions..." The outcome of these false teachers touting a superiority and "special" knowledge is division and dispute. False teaching will always lead to strife (Rom. 16:17-19; 1 Tim. 6:3-5; 2 Tim. 2:23; Titus 3:9-11; Eph. 4:1-3; 1 Tim. 3:3; Titus 3:2).
- "Worldly people..." Their passions and desires are for temporary things; they desire the gifts of God, not God Himself (Jam. 4:4; Ps. 39:6; Jn. 15:19; 1 Jn. 4:3-5; Eph. 2:1-3; 1 Jn. 2:15-17; Rom. 12:2; 1 Pet. 1:14; Titus 2:11-14; Col. 3:1-4; Jam. 3:14-18).

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Worship: Glorious Day (Casting Crowns)

"Devoid of the Spirit..." - Those who exhibit these traits do not have the Holy Spirit dwelling in them. It should be evident, based on God's revealed Word, who are not in the faith. We will know by the fruit (evidence) in their lives (Mt. 7:15-20; 1 Jn. 4:1-3; 2 Jn. 1:7; Jn. 3:3; 2 Cor. 5:17; Titus 3:4-7; 1 Cor. 2:10-16; Gal. 5:16, 22-23, 25; Rom. 8:4; Eph. 5:18; 1 Thess. 5:19; Eph. 4:30).