

## A Wise Choice

Jude 14-21  
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### I. Review

#### II. Jude's Description of an Indictment Against Ungodly Persons – vs. 8-16

- A. They are dreamers – v. 8
- B. Historical examples of those who rejected the truth – vs. 9-11
- C. Further descriptions and indictments – vs. 12-16
  1. Verses 12-13
  2. The prophesy of Enoch – vs. 14, 15
    - a. Genesis 5:18-27; Hebrews 11:5, 6
    - b. A portion of this prophesy is referred to in the Apocryphal Book of Enoch 1:9
    - c. “. . . Behold the Lord came . . .” – Matthew 24:30
    - d. “. . . with . . . His Holy Ones . . .” – Zechariah 14:5; Colossians 3:4; Revelation 19:14
    - e. “. . . to execute judgement . . .” – II Thessalonians 1:7-10; II 3:7
    - f. He was the father of Methuselah whose name means “when he dies it will come.” – Genesis 5:21, 22
  3. “These are grumblers, finding fault, following after their own lusts . . .” – v. 16a
    - a. Grumblers – I Corinthians 10:10; John 6:41
    - b. Finding fault – Mark 7:2, 5
      - i. KJV (complainers). Those who are dissatisfied with their lot.
      - ii. Opposite of Philippians 4:11
    - c. Following their own lusts – II Peter 3:3-5
  4. “. . . they speak arrogantly, flattering people for the sake of gaining an advantage.” – v. 16b
    - a. Arrogantly – puffed up or swollen
    - b. II Peter 2:18, 19

### III. Jude's Instructions for Those Who Desire to Live Godly in Christ – vs. 17-23

- A. Remember the words of the Apostles – vs. 17-19
  1. Particularly in regard to false teachers
    - a. Paul: Acts 20:28-32; I Timothy 4:1
    - b. Peter: II Peter 2:18, 19
  2. “mockers” – II Peter 3:3 (to act like children) – v. 18
    - a. Such are enemies of the cross – Philippians 3:18
  3. “. . . following after their own ungodly lusts. . .” – v. 18
    - a. They simply do as they please
  4. They cause divisions – v. 19
  5. They are worldly minded – v. 19
    - a. John 8:44
  6. They are devoid of the Spirit – v. 19
    - a. Romans 8:9
- B. What to do – vs. 20-23
  1. “. . . building yourselves up on your most holy faith . . .” – v. 20
    - a. Acts 2:42; 20:31, 32; Ephesians 4:14-16; Colossians 1:27-2:7
  2. “. . . praying in the Holy Spirit” – v. 20
    - a. Romans 8:26, 27; Ephesians 6:18
    - b. “Prayer in the Spirit is prayer which issues from a heart indwelt, illuminated, and controlled by the Holy Spirit of God. It is petition, praise and thanksgiving which are indited by the Sprit.” – Dr. Maxwell Coder
  3. “. . . keep yourselves in the love of God . . .” – v. 21
    - a. John 15:9, 10; Romans 5:6-8; Revelation 2:1-4
  4. “. . . waiting anxiously for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to eternal life”
    - a. I John 3:1-3; Titus 2:13; II Timothy 4:8