

Application Suggestions: Sunday, November 8, 2020
Meanwhile: Waiting on God's Promises
Jude

Jude emphasizes that you, as a Christ-follower, are “kept” by God. Yet Satan often tempts us to doubt that spiritual reality. Read and reflect on **Colossians 3:1-4** and be assured of the certainty of your salvation. Truly, you are “kept” by God.

Jude also emphasizes that you, as a Christ-follower who is “kept” by God, are to live in light of God’s judgement on sin and, thus, to pursue godliness and holiness. Continue reading in **Colossians 3** and reflect on the practical instructions for Christ-like living found in **verses 5-17**.

Jude’s purpose is to exhort you to “**contend for the faith.**”

- Rehearse the Gospel:
 - What is it? The Story of Jesus.
 - What does it mean? Jesus took my place.
 - What difference does it make? Jesus give me a new life.
- Consider with caution any impact made on you by those who:
 - Promote a Health and Wealth “Gospel”
 - Obsessively Advance Prophecy and Eschatology
 - Erroneously Blend Politics with Faith
 - Sensationally Mix Fact (Biblical Truth) with Fiction (Created Stories)
 - Presume to teach and lead God’s people, but who’s lives don’t reflect Christ-like character or spiritual maturity—those whom Jude describes as “ungodly,” who “pervert the grace of our God into a license for immorality,” and who, by disobedience rooted in disbelief, “deny Jesus Christ our only Sovereign and Lord.”

Join in this week’s **On-Line Devotionals, Tuesday and Thursday**, to explore the Old Testament examples mentioned by Jude in his letter.