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Book note for Jude

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Chapter note for Jude 1

1 He exhorteth them to be constant in the profession of the faith. 4 False teachers are crept in to seduce them: for whose damnable doctrine and manners horrible punishment is prepared: 20 whereas the godly, by the assistance of the Holy Spirit, and prayers to God, may persevere, and grow in grace, and keep themselves, and recover others out of the snares of those deceivers.

Jude 1:1

Jude = Judas = Judah = celebrated. Some think that this is the same as Lebbaeus Thaddius in Mat. 10:3. Ac. 1:13; Lu. 6:16. However, I think it more likely that he is the brother of the Lord Jesus since he had brethren named James and Juda listed in Mk. 6:3.

Note, sanctified by the father; preservation of the believers in Jesus Christ; and called by the Holy Ghost.

Jude 1:3

"Earnestly" ==> with collateral investing; seriously, zealously, determinedly, purposefully.

"Contend" is defined as "with tending"; "with care." This type of contention is part and parcel of keeping the word of God and his commandments.

Jude 1:5

Num. 14:26-30; Heb. 3:16-19.

Jude 1:6

Pre-Adamic world advocates claim the reference is to the garden of Eden, (e.g., Satan in Eze. 28:13). But if Satan was the leader of the fallen angels, how did he get into the position Ezekiel mentions if, they were cast and bound before the "recreation"? How can the rebellious angels be bound and yet still have access to heaven and earth as seen in Job 1 and 2?

On the other hand, this is exactly what the angels did in Gen. 6:2. Also see 2 Pet. 2:4; Job 4:18; Isa. 14:12 v.f.; Eph. 6:12 v.f.

Jude 1:7

"After strange flesh," e.g., sodomy and bestiality. The charge hearkens back to the angels of v. 6; this is what the angels did.

Re. fornication, cf. note to Mat. 5:32.

The vengeance of eternal fire was made for the devil and his angels (Mat. 25:41). Men who align themselves with them will suffer the same fate (Rev. 19:20; 20:10, 14-15).

Angels are associated with stars. Since the fire was created for them, do they actually dwell on the surface of stars?

Jude 1:8

2 Pet. 2:10. **Dignity** = The quality or state of being worthy of honor, praise, worship. The filthy dreamers brings us back to those mentioned in verse 4.

Jude 1:9

Deu. 34:6.

Ex. 23:13.

Zec. 3:2, which see for a stronger example. Supposedly this incident is taken from an apocryphal book called *The Assumption of Moses*. It says that Michael and the devil argued over the body of Moses because the devil claimed he had a right to it because Moses murdered a man. But why would the devil want the body and not the soul? This account may have been revealed by Jesus to the disciples (of which Jude was one) and here recorded and the report incorporated in a subsequent forgery claiming to be the source of the account.

Jude 1:10

Also contra the scholars' union which, like Core, maintained that God speaks through them, also. They, too, make Bible "translations" purely for profit: witness copyrights.

Jude 1:11

Gen. 4:5. Num. 22:7. 2 Pet. 2:15. Num. 16:1.

Cain hated his brother, even as the Jews Jesus (1 Jn. 3:15), so do these hate the brethren.

Balaam sold the key to Israel's destruction to Israel's enemies (Nu. 14:29, 37; 26:64-65).

Core tried to usurp the priesthood (Nu. 16:1-3, 31-35). These, too, will perish for claiming the ability to handle the words of God when they lack the ability to even keep them (v. 3).

Jude 1:12

2 Pet. 2:13. Spots, sores; leprosy. These men fancy themselves to be great among the people, even as Nimrod promoted himself (Gen. 10:8, q.v.) For more on spots see v. 23.

I.e. dust clouds, 2 Pet. 2:17; clouds promising (living) water but devoid of it.

Jude 1:13

Isa. 57:20; Rev. 21:1. "Wandering stars," occurrence of the Greek word for *planet*. Stars <--> angels, messengers. 2 Pet. 2:17.

Jude 1:14

Compare Noah as "the eighth person," 2 Pet. 2:5.

"Ten thousand" signifies base ten numbering system antedates the flood. Deu. 33:2; Zec. 14:5; 1 Th. 3:13.

Jude 1:15

Re. hard speeches, Psa. 31:18.

Jude 1:18

2 Pet. 3:3-4.

Jude 1:23

Re. spots c.f. v. 12

Many think that the fear is on the part of the soul winner, but it is on the part of the one in need of salvation. For example, through damnation and hell-fire preaching.

Jude 1:25

Supports the deity of Christ.