

### III. LIVE PURE

<sup>4</sup> “...*hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.*” Jude 23b

- A. God will not take the pure water of life to thirsty souls in dirty vessels.

*“For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to show Himself strong on behalf of those whose heart is loyal to Him....”* II Chronicles 16:9a

*“You are already clean because of the word which I have spoken to you.”* John 15:3

- B. You must both love God and hate sin.

*“You who love the LORD, hate evil!...”* Psalm 97:10a

*“He shall therefore burn that garment in which is the plague, whether warp or woof, in wool or in linen, or anything of leather, for it is an active leprosy; the garment shall be burned in the fire.”* Leviticus 13:52

*“20 But in a great house there are not only vessels of gold and silver, but also of wood and clay, some for honor and some for dishonor.*

*21 Therefore if anyone cleanses himself from the latter, he will be a vessel for honor, sanctified and useful for the Master, prepared for every good work.”*

II Timothy 2:20-22

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**Rescue The Perishing  
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#### INTRODUCTION

- A. Jude is a small book with a big punch. It is a call to action, a call to engage in earnestly promoting and defending the absolute truth of the Bible. It describes in practical terms the responsibility of every believer to “STAND UP & STAND OUT”.

*“Beloved, while I was very diligent to write to you concerning our common salvation, I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints.”*

Jude 3

- B. Jude has been called the most neglected book of the New Testament. We will not neglect it, but rather we will read and study this valuable Bible book. In this series we will discover how these words written in the first century are very relevant to our lives now. This five part series features the following messages:

Aug 29	Contend For The Bible
Sep 5	Remember The Victory Plan
Sep 12	Guard Against The False Teachers
TODAY	Rescue The Perishing
Sep 26	Worship The God Of Hope

- C. **TEXT:** Jude 22-23

Jude is the writer of this book.

*“Jude, a bondservant of Jesus Christ, and brother of James, ...”* Jude 1a

He was the brother of James which also means he was the half brother of Jesus Christ.

*“Is this not the carpenter, the Son of Mary, and brother of James, Joses, Judas, and Simon? And are not His sisters here with us?” So they were offended at Him.”* Mark 6:3

## HOW TO RESCUE THE PERISHING

### I. LOVE PEOPLE

*“And on some have compassion, making a distinction;”*

Jude 22

- A. People don't care how much you know until they know how much you care.

*“But when He saw the multitudes, He was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep having no shepherd.”* Matthew 9:36

*“1 I tell the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit,  
2 that I have great sorrow and continual grief in my heart.  
3 For I could wish that I myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my countrymen according to the flesh,”*

Romans 9:1-3

- B. If you were unsaved, would you want someone to declare the gospel to you?

*“Therefore, whatever you want men to do to you, do also to them, for this is the Law and the Prophets.”* Matthew 7:12

*“You shall not take vengeance, nor bear any grudge against the children of your people, but you shall love your neighbor as yourself: I am the LORD.”* Leviticus 19:18

*“...‘You shall love your neighbor as yourself.’...”*

Mark 12:31b

### II. WIN SOULS

*“but others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire...”*

Jude 23a

- A. It is the responsibility of every Christian to be a soul winner.

*“The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, And he who wins souls is wise.”* Proverbs 11:30

*“7 So you, son of man: I have made you a watchman for the house of Israel; therefore you shall hear a word from My mouth and warn them for Me.*

*8 When I say to the wicked, ‘O wicked man, you shall surely die!’ and you do not speak to warn the wicked from his way, that wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood I will require at your hand.*

*9 Nevertheless if you warn the wicked to turn from his way, and he does not turn from his way, he shall die in his iniquity; but you have delivered your soul.”* Ezekiel 33:7-9

- B. You must remember the torment of hell.

*“22 So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried.*

*23 And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom.*

*24 “Then he cried and said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.’*

*25 But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented.”*

Luke 16:22-25

*“27 “Then he said, ‘I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house,*

*28 for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.”* Luke 16:27-28