



FRESH ENCOUNTER

THREE THINGS TO REMEMBER

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"Beloved, when I gave all diligence to write unto you of the common salvation, it was needful for me to write unto you, and exhort you that ye should earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints." (Jude 1:3)

INTRODUCTION

- Jude brother of James
- * James was son of Joseph & Mary (Mt 13:55) - Mk 6:3
- * All Jesus family was present in upper room (Acts 1:14)
- * James & Jude closely involved in church at Jerusalem (Acts 12:17, 15:13, ~~18~~ 21:18) x Gal 1:19, 2:9, 2:12
- Jesus showed Himself alive to family (1 Cor 15:6-7)

"This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. 2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, 3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, 4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; 5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away." (2 Timothy 3:1-5)

1. REMEMBER OUR Passion - in the faith

- A. Passionate Because of Our atonement through the Savior
 - our common salvation

"For the love of Christ constraineth us; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead."
(2 Corinthians 5:14-15)

HE SAVES US - Christ saves Christian

"Who hath saved us, and called us with an holy calling, not according to our works, but according to his own purpose and grace, which was given us in Christ Jesus before the world began,"
(2 Timothy 1:9)

HE KEEPS US God's power keeps Christians saved

"Who are kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation ready to be revealed in the last time." (1 Peter 1:5)

B. Passionate Because of the attacks
on the Faith (v. 3-4)

IN CULTURE

IN CHURCHES - deceivers sneak into church

"Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God." (2 Thessalonians 2:3-4)

"For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. 14 And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. 15 Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works." (2 Corinthians 11:13-15)

"For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist." (2 John 1:7)

"Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast professed a good profession before many witnesses." (1 Timothy 6:12)

"Hold fast the form of sound words, which thou hast heard of me, in faith and love which is in Christ Jesus." (2 Timothy 1:13)

- progression of sliding away from
God
* Orthopraxy: slipping in Christian
behavior
* Leaving orthodox teaching
x accepting false doctrines

- Common faith a) (1 Cor 15:1-8 b) Apostle's Creed (2nd cent) c) ~~Nicean~~ Creed in 325 AD
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2. REMEMBER OUR Position - in the faith

A. It is a fundamental Position

Quote: "Often we are loudest when Scripture is silent."

DELIVERED FAITH

common
faith once
delivered
to the
saints

"Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong."
(1 Corinthians 16:13)

"That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before
by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us the apostles
of the Lord and Saviour." (2 Peter 3:2)

DEFENDED FAITH

"But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest
to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the
living God, the pillar and ground of the truth." (1 Timothy 3:15)

Jn 14:6
Jesus said
"I am the
... truth"

DECLARED FAITH

B. It is a foundational ~~defended~~ Position

Jesus
Christ
chief
cornerstone

"Now therefore ye are no more strangers and foreigners, but
fellowcitizens with the saints, and of the household of God;
20 And are built upon the foundation of the apostles and
prophets, Jesus Christ himself being the chief corner stone;"
(Ephesians 2:19-20)

"If the foundations be destroyed, what can the righteous do?"
(Psalm 11:3)

3. REMEMBER OUR Predecessors (Christians in history)

A. Remember the Saints Who received
the Faith

"For this cause also thank we God without ceasing, because,
when ye received the word of God which ye heard of us, ye
received it not as the word of men, but as it is in truth, the
word of God, which effectually worketh also in you that believe."
(1 Thessalonians 2:13)

Apostles

B. Remember the Saints Who relayed
the Faith

- Christian Hall of Fame - Hebrews
chapter 11
* Great saints of faith

Quote: "I am not come hither to deny my Lord and Master."

C. Remember the Savior Who redeems
the Lost

"And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;" (Revelation 5:9)

CONCLUSION

PRAYER LIST

CHURCH PRAYER REQUESTS

Pastor and Family Offering Sunday
Leadership Team and Ministry Staff SLC Asia

CAMPUS DEVELOPMENT

Worship Center Remodel College Dining Facility

SPECIAL REQUESTS

President Trump Laborers for the Harvest
Armed Forces Law Enforcement
Firefighters Medical Personnel



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