

Sunday, September 3rd, 2023

1 Timothy 4:13, "Until I come, devote yourself to the public reading of Scripture, to exhortation, to teaching."

Title: Enoch, Seventh from Adam,
Declares Judgment

Series: Jude, An Ancient Letter Written
to Believers of THIS Day ... 10

Text: Text: Jude 1:1 – 25 (vs. 14 - 16)

Purpose: I want to INFORM my congregation of some of the traits of apostate teachers.

Introduction:

Last week's devotional pictured six characteristics of apostate leaders; they do not necessary portray all six, but many of the six are often present:

1) Picture of Hidden Reefs, 2) Picture of Selfish Shepherd, 3) Picture of Empty Clouds, 4) Picture of Dead Trees, 5) Picture of Wild Waves, 6) Picture of Wandering Stars

~ Jude 1:14 – 16, "*It was about these that Enoch, the seventh from Adam, prophesied, saying, "Behold, the Lord comes with ten thousands of his holy ones, (15) to execute judgment on all and to convict all the ungodly of all their ungodliness that they have committed in such an ungodly way, and of all the harsh things that ungodly sinners have spoken against him." (16) These are grumblers, malcontents, following their own sinful desires; they are loud-mouthed boasters, showing favoritism to gain advantage.*"

~ This Enoch is NOT the same as Genesis 4:17, "*Cain knew his wife, and she conceived and bore Enoch. When he built a city, he called the name of the city after the name of his son, Enoch.*"

~ Genesis 5:3 – 5 and 18 – 32 This is the Enoch that the Holy Spirit is referring to, the seventh from Adam.

~ Genesis 5:24, "*Enoch walked with God, and he was not, for God took him.*" (see also verse 22)

~ 2 Peter 3:1 – 4

1. Divine Judgment:

~ vs. 14, "*Behold, the Lord comes...*"

~ James 5:9, "*Do not grumble against one another, brothers, so that you may not be judged; behold the Judge is standing as the door.*"

~ vs. 14, "with ten thousand of his holy ones,"

~ Divine, angelic host – Deuteronomy 33:2 and Matthew 25:31, "*When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne.*"

2. Universal Judgment:

~ vs. 15, "*to execute judgment on all and to convict all the ungodly...*"

~ Enoch prophesied prior to the flood; there is growing evidence gathered by scientist that indicate there was a global flood.

~ Only those who were in the ark were spared.

~ 2 Corinthians 5:21, "*For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.*"

See Isaiah 53:4 – 6 and 9 – 12, John 3:16 – 21

3. Righteous Judgment:

~ Isaiah 33:22, "*For the LORD is our judge; the LORD is our lawgiver; the LORD is our king; he will save us.*"

~ Psalm 7:11, "*God is a righteous judge, and a God who feels indignation every day.*"

~ Romans 3:23, "*for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,*" see Romans 3:10 - 18

~ John 5:22, "*For the Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son,*"

~ Acts 10:42, "*And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead.*"

~ Acts 17:31, "*because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed, and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.*"

~ Notice there is a Righteous Judge; no jury, no prosecutor, no defense council, no court of appeals ... there is no higher court or authority that God!!!

4. Detailed Judgment:

~ vs.15 – 16 lists large general categories of transgression; but the accused will see from God's Holy and righteous perspective their deeds and thoughts and they will know their guilt!

~ 2 Peter 2:4 – 22

Conclusion:

Ephesians 2:1 – 10 and the
Celebration of Communion