

THE LETTER OF JUDE

Structure: The "Us & Them" Sandwich

"these guys..." v4, v8, v10, v12, v16, v19 "but you..." v17, v20

Us v1-3

V1 Jude's humble introduction

V2 Jude's description

Called
Beloved
Kept

Jude's prayer

Mercy
Peace
Love

V3 Jude's "Beloved" trio v3, v17, v20

Them v4-19

V4 Jude's summary

Ungodly
Licentious
Deny Lord

V5-7 Old Testament examples

Egypt (Deut 1)
Angels (Gen 6)
Sodom & Gomorrah (Gen 19)

V8 Jude's comment

Defile flesh
Reject authority (lit. "lordship")
Revile angels

V9-10 Apocryphal summing up:

Assumption of Moses
Revilers
Defilers

V5-7 Old Testament examples

Way of Cain (Gen 4)
Error of Balaam (Num 22)
Rebellion of Korah (Num 16)

V12-13 Jude's comment

Hidden reefs
With you without fear
Care for themselves

Clouds without water
Trees without fruits

Waves with shame
Stars in blackness

V14-15 Apocryphal summing up: **Enoch**

Ungodly deeds
Ungodly words

V16 Jude's comment

Grumblers
Fault finders
Following lusts
Speak arrogantly
Flatter
Gain advantage

V17-18 Apostles' warning

Mockers
Ungodly lusts

V19 Jude's summary

Cause divisions
Soulish
Not having the Spirit

Us v20-25

V20 Jude's instructions

Build yourself up on your most holy faith
Pray in the Holy Spirit
Keep in love of God

V20-23 Jude's "mercy" trio

Wait for the mercy of Jesus
Have mercy on the doubting
Have mercy on some with fear

V24 Jude's final description

Not stumbling, standing
Blameless
Joy

V25 Jesus' Lordship

Glory, Majesty, Dominion, Authority

Look out for Jude's signature trios, triplets or trilogies!

