

“He Called Me; He Loves Me; He Keeps Me Safe”

“I am writing to all who have been called by God the Father, who loves you and keeps you safe in the care of Jesus Christ.” Jude 1:1b

A. Just reminding you of God’s great grace...

“This letter is from Jude, a slave of Jesus Christ and a brother of James. I am writing to all who have been called by God the Father, who loves you and keeps you safe in the care of Jesus Christ. May God give you more and more mercy, peace, and love.” Vs 1-2

1. He called you.

“For God saved us and called us to live a holy life. He did this, not because we deserved it, but because that was His plan from before the beginning of time—to show us His grace through Christ Jesus.”

2 Timothy 1:9

“But you are not like that, for you are a chosen people. You are royal priests, a holy nation, God’s very own possession. As a result, you can show others the goodness of God, for He called you out of the darkness into His wonderful light.” 1 Peter 2:9

2. He loves you.

“But God showed His great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners.” Romans 5:8

“We love each other because He loved us first.” 1 John 4:19

3. He keeps you safe.

“He will keep you strong to the end so that you will be free from all blame on the day when our Lord Jesus Christ returns. God will do this, for He is faithful to do what He says, and He has invited you into partnership with His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.” 1 Corinthians 1:8-9

“And I am certain that God, who began the good work within you, will continue His work until it is finally finished on the day when Christ Jesus returns.” Philippians 1:6

“And through your faith, God is protecting you by His power until you receive this salvation, which is ready to be revealed on the last day for all to see.” 1 Peter 1:5

4. God promises more mercy, more peace, and more love!

“But God is so rich in mercy, and He loved us so much,” Ephesians 2:4
“Now may the Lord of peace Himself give you His peace at all times and in every situation.” 2 Thessalonians 3:16

“See how very much our Father loves us, for He calls us His children, and that is what we are! But the people who belong to this world don’t recognize that we are God’s children because they don’t know Him.” 1 John 3:1

B. Defend your faith...

“Dear friends, I had been eagerly planning to write to you about the salvation we all share. But now I find that I must write about something else, urging you to defend the faith that God has entrusted once for all time to His holy people.” Vs 3

Warning...warning...against those who are...

1. Careless about God’s grace.

“I say this because some ungodly people have wormed their way into your churches, saying that God’s marvelous grace allows us to live immoral lives.” Vs 4a

“Well then, should we keep on sinning so that God can show us more and more of His wonderful grace? Of course not! Since we have died to sin, how can we continue to live in it?” Romans 6:1-2

2. Careless with their attitudes toward living, authority, and the supernatural.

“In the same way, these people—who claim authority from their dreams—live immoral lives, defy authority, and scoff at supernatural beings.” Vs 8

3. Careless with those who are ungodly and self-centered.

“When these people eat with you in your fellowship meals commemorating the Lord’s love, they are like dangerous reefs that can shipwreck you. They are like shameless shepherds who care only for themselves.” Vs 12

4. Careless with those who are:

Grumblers and complainers

“These people are grumblers and complainers...” Vs 16a

Living for themselves

“...living only to satisfy their desires.” Vs 16b

Divisive

“These people are the ones who are creating divisions among you.” Vs 19a

Scoffers of truth

“They told you that in the last times there would be scoffers whose purpose in life is to satisfy their ungodly desires.” Vs 18

C. Build each other up...

“But you, dear friends, must build each other up in your most holy faith, pray in the power of the Holy Spirit, and await the mercy of our

Lord Jesus Christ, who will bring you eternal life. In this way, you will keep yourselves safe in God’s love.” Vs 20-21

1. Build each other up in their faith.

“...build each other up in your most holy faith...” Vs 20b

2. Pray in the power of the Holy Spirit.

“pray in the power of the Holy Spirit...” Vs 20c

3. Await the mercy of Jesus.

“await the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ, who will bring you eternal life.” Vs 21a

4. Show mercy to those whose faith is wavering.

“And you must show mercy to those whose faith is wavering.” Vs 22

5. Rescue those who are falling.

“Rescue others by snatching them from the flames of judgment. Show mercy to still others, but do so with great caution, hating the sins that contaminate their lives.” Vs 23

D. Rest in Him because...

“Now all glory to God, who is able to keep you from falling away and will bring you with great joy into His glorious presence without a single fault. All glory to Him who alone is God, our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord. All glory, majesty, power, and authority are His before all time, and in the present, and beyond all time! Amen.” Vs 24-25

1. God is able to keep you from falling.

“God, who is able to keep you from falling away...”

2. Will bring you great joy.

“...will bring you with great joy...”

3. Keep you without a single fault.

“...without a single fault.”

4. We are called to give glory, majesty, power, and authority to God!

“All glory to Him who alone is God, our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord. All glory, majesty, power, and authority are His before all time, and in the present, and beyond all time!”

5. Remember...He called you, He loves you, and He will keep you safe!

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