



NEW TESTAMENT • GENERAL LETTERS

Jude

Remain faithful in the mercy of God.

AUTHORSHIP · Jude, traditionally a brother of James and Jesus.

DATE & CONTEXT · Often dated within AD 60–100.

The big picture

Jude warns against corrupt influences that turn grace into permission for harmful conduct. Drawing on familiar Jewish traditions, the letter calls readers to take moral accountability seriously. Contending for the faith includes prayer, mercy toward those who doubt, and care that does not imitate destructive behavior. The closing praise locates confidence in God’s power to keep his people.

Words to carry

“Keep yourselves in the love of God, looking for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ unto eternal life.”

Jude 1:21 · KJV

Live it

- 01 Respond to an honest doubter with patient mercy.
- 02 Name one harmful pattern that needs a clear boundary.
- 03 Pray for steadiness before entering a contentious discussion.

Pause & reflect

Can I defend what is true without losing mercy toward people?

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