**Bible Course Acts to Revelation** Lesson 68

Name:			

the unstable

take place, wherein thou shalt be all in all.

## **Jude**

Jude is very similar to II Peter. Peter warned of the increasing damage false teachers would cause in the future. Jude also focuses on false teachers, but in the <u>present.</u>

As unprincipled men, under the name of Christians, had crept in the church, whose chief object was to lead the unstable and weak to a profane contempt of God, Jude first shows, that the faithful ought not to have been moved by agents of this kind, by which the Church has always been assailed. He also exhorts them carefully to beware of such pests and to render them more hateful and detestable. Now, if we consider what Satan has attempted in our age, from the commencement of the revived gospel, and what arts he still busily employs to subvert the faith, and the fear of God, what was a useful warning in the time of Jude, is more than necessary in our age. But this will appear more fully as we proceed in reading the Epistle. – Adapted from J. Calvin

1.	This book (only one chapter long) is very similar to wh	nich book and chapter?
2.	Calvin says that men under and to a profane contempt of	
3.	Why is this book so necessary to read?	
		Lord's Day #48  Question 123: Which is the second petition?
	In the first verse, Jude gives us a clue to who he is.  He is the brother of	Answer: "Thy kingdom come"; that is, rule us so by thy word and Spirit, that we may submit ourselves more and more to thee; preserve and increase thy church; destroy the works of the devil, and all violence which
4.	Jude extols the Church to for faith once delivered to the saints. The reason he	would exalt itself against thee; and also all wicked counsels devised against thy holy word; till the full perfection of thy kingdom take place, wherein thou shalt be all in all

gives is that false teachers creep into the church

	They are not known as false teachers, they are like Judas, a wolf	t ın
	sheep's clothing. These false teachers are ordained to condemnation, for they turn	the
	of God into lasciviousness. Lascivious means lustfulness.	As
	Lange's commentary puts it: "They draw the daring conclusion: Because God is so merci	ful,
	because Christ hath redeemed us from sin, because this and that sin have been passed unpunish	
	therefore we need not be so particular concerning sin." These people deny	
	Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ.	
5.	After that introduction, Jude gives three OT examples of apostasy (turning from God) wh	iere
	God's justice and judgments have followed:	
	a. God brought His people out of, but afterward destroyed th	ıem
	that believed not.	
	b. The fallen who kept not there first estate (heaven), but rebel	lled
	against God, are reserved to everlasting (No hope of a Savior	, as
	living mankind has).	
	c. God rained fire and (Gen. 19) on Sodom and Gomorrah and	the
	cities around them because they had given themselves over to	
	and went after strange flesh (homosexuality). This is set as an example, suffering	
	vengeance of fire. They will never be restored.	
6.	All false teachers are called filthy who defile	the
	, despise dominion, and speak evil of J	ude
	next gives a comparison showing the daring and criminality of their blaspheming. E	
	the archangel did not venture to accuse Satan. Jude notes that Michael	el is
	given the responsibility of the burial of When the devil disputed v	vith
	Michael, Michael said, "The Lord thee."	
7.	These false teachers speak evil of things that they don't Then J	ude
	compares them to many things:	
	a. Their understanding does not go beyond brute which corn	rupt
	themselves.	
	b. These false teachers have gone in the way of, infamous for	the
	of his brother. So these false teachers will not stop at	the
	destruction of any.	

C	These false teachers are greedy like who ran after
	, loving the wages of unrighteousness. These false teachers are
	like those that followed They used gainsaying speech against
	and were swallowed by the earth. Gainsaying means to deny or
	contradict.
8. Matc	h the man and the sin (choices: Balaam, Cain, Korah)
	a. The natural man having his own way,
	b. Denying the authority of Moses as God's spokesman.
	c. Making merchandise of their type of "a gospel."
9. Note	the following metaphors that describe the apostate teachers:
a	. These false teachers are like in your feasts of charity. These
	"love feasts" the early church had were often connected to the Lord's Supper. These false
	teachers with seductive, dangerous power, stained a good thing.
b	. They are like clouds without carried by the wind. When you
	look for rain in a dry season, you have hope when you see the clouds, but they have
	nothing in them. So deceptive are false teachers, having nothing of the grace of God in
	them.
c	. They are like a tree which has no root anymore, so they are trees without
	are dried up (withered) or are without fruit, and called twice
	They were born dead in trespasses and sins, pretending
	repentance were then baptized (pictured as rising out of death) and then apostatized into a
	second death.
d	. These false teachers are like raging waves of the sea, out their
	own shame. "The wicked are like the sea." (Isa. 57:20)
e	. They are wandering, to whom is reserved blackness and
	forever. These professing Christians, professing to be lights of
	the world, instead of letting that light shine on more and more into the perfect day (Prov.
	4: 18), are drifting about in strange errors in doctrine and practices.
10. Enoc	h, who walked with God, prophesied that the Lord will come with
	s saints to execute and to convince all that are ungodly among them

of all their ungodly	, which they have ungodly,
and of all their hard	which ungodly sinners have spoken against Him.
Jude gives one more description: The	ney are, complainers, walking in
their own 7	Their mouths speak great swelling
having man's person in admiration -fo	r their own gain.
11. In Jude's final warning, he reminds the	e Church that the apostles of the Lord Jesus prophesied that
in the last time,	would come, who would walk after own ungodly
These fals	se teachers separate themselves, sensual (fulfilling the
desires of the flesh and the mind Eph.	2: 3), and have not the
12. He now tells the body of Christ to bui	ld themselves on your most faith,
praying in the Holy Ghost, keeping yo	ourselves in the of God. You may
ask, how can we do this? The answe	r lies in (the context of) the next phrase: "looking for the
of our Lord J	esus Christ unto eternal life."
13. Jude shows his compassion for the we	eak as he says to
have compassion, making a	, Lord's Day #52
i.e. if believers find only a spark of the	ne love of Christ  Question 127: Which is the sixth petition?
in them, have compassion on them ar	nd separate them
in your judgment and conduct from	others. Others, Answer: "And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil"; that is, since we
Jude says to save with fear, pulling t	hem out of the are so weak in ourselves, that we cannot stand a moment; and besides this, since our
What Jude	is warning here mortal enemies, the devil, the world, and our own flesh, cease not to assault us do
. What Jude is that in trying to save someone from	our own flesh, cease not to assault us, do thou therefore preserve and strengthen us by
	our own flesh, cease not to assault us, do thou therefore preserve and strengthen us by the power of thy Holy Spirit, that we may not be overcome in this spiritual warfare,
is that in trying to save someone from	our own flesh, cease not to assault us, do thou therefore preserve and strengthen us by the power of thy Holy Spirit, that we may not be overcome in this spiritual warfare, but constantly and strenuously may resist our foes, till at last we obtain a complete
is that in trying to save someone from beware lest you be pulled to their side	our own flesh, cease not to assault us, do thou therefore preserve and strengthen us by the power of thy Holy Spirit, that we may not be overcome in this spiritual warfare, but constantly and strenuously may resist our foes, till at last we obtain a complete victory
is that in trying to save someone from beware lest you be pulled to their side their ruin. When a believer pulls compassion for them must go hand	our own flesh, cease not to assault us, do thou therefore preserve and strengthen us by the power of thy Holy Spirit, that we may not be overcome in this spiritual warfare, but constantly and strenuously may resist our foes, till at last we obtain a complete victory
is that in trying to save someone from beware lest you be pulled to their side their ruin. When a believer pulls compassion for them must go hand	our own flesh, cease not to assault us, do thou therefore preserve and strengthen us by the power of thy Holy Spirit, that we may not be overcome in this spiritual warfare, but constantly and strenuously may resist our foes, till at last we obtain a complete victory.  with their false doctrine. Therefore Jude adds, hating even
is that in trying to save someone from beware lest you be pulled to their side their ruin. When a believer pulls compassion for them must go hand sincere hatred for the evil connected withe spotted by	our own flesh, cease not to assault us, do thou therefore preserve and strengthen us by the power of thy Holy Spirit, that we may not be overcome in this spiritual warfare, but constantly and strenuously may resist our foes, till at last we obtain a complete victory.  with their false doctrine. Therefore Jude adds, hating even
is that in trying to save someone from beware lest you be pulled to their side their ruin. When a believer pulls compassion for them must go hand sincere hatred for the evil connected withe spotted by 14. `Lastly, Jude ends with a precious dozen.	our own flesh, cease not to assault us, do thou therefore preserve and strengthen us by the power of thy Holy Spirit, that we may not be overcome in this spiritual warfare, but constantly and strenuously may resist our foes, till at last we obtain a complete victory.  with their false doctrine. Therefore Jude adds, hating even by the
is that in trying to save someone from beware lest you be pulled to their side their ruin. When a believer pulls compassion for them must go hand sincere hatred for the evil connected withe spotted by 14. `Lastly, Jude ends with a precious down keep you from falling, and to	our own flesh, cease not to assault us, do thou therefore preserve and strengthen us by the power of thy Holy Spirit, that we may not be overcome in this spiritual warfare, but constantly and strenuously may resist our foes, till at last we obtain a complete victory.  with their false doctrine. Therefore Jude adds, hating even by the

Evaluator\_\_\_\_\_