

It's all about who is:

I. Justified - "To write... of the common salvation" (vs. 1-3)

Believers are:

- A. Special (Mercy) "Sanctified by God the Father"
- B. Secured (Peace) "preserved in Jesus Christ"
- C. Summoned (Love) "and called"

II. Jesus - "there are certain...ungodly men" (vs. 3-4)

Deceivers are:

- A. Sneaky "crept in unawares"
 - **B.** Salacious "turning grace of... God into lasciviousness"
 - C. Sacrilegious "denying the only Lord God...Jesus Christ"
- III. Judged "I will therefore put you in remembrance" (vs. 5-7)

 Receivers are:
 - A. Disbelieving "destroying them that believed not"
 - **B.** Discontent "which kept not their first estate"
 - C. Deviant "going after strange flesh"

Sentence Sermon:

"Our faith is built on nothing less than Jesus' blood and righteousness."

Additional Verses

- > Romans 16:18
- > I Timothy 6:5
- > II Peter 2:1-4, 10-19
- > Titus 2:11-12
- > I Corinthians 11:19
- > II Timothy 1:9-10
- > I Peter 5:8
- > Job 1:6-7
- > Luke 22:31

Angels which kept not their first estate:

Genesis 6:2-4; Matthew 22:25-30; II Peter 2:4-5; Jude 1:6 Revelation 20:1-2

<u>Truth – It has a relationship with the:</u>

- > Father Psalm 31:5; Isaiah 65:16
- > Bible Psalm 119:60; 138:2; John 17:17
- Son John 1:14; 14:6; Ephesians 4:21
- Holy Spirit John 14:17; 15:26; 16:13; I John 5:6; Eph. 1:13
- Church I Timothy 3:15; Colossians 1:5;
- > Freedom John 8:32

Questions to Ponder:

- 1. What are the key words in this passage?
- 2. Who is the central character of the passage?
- 3. What doctrines can be found in verse 1?
- 4. Why is grace not mentioned in verse 2?
- 5. What picture of "contending" comes up in your mind?
- 6. What is the greatest condemnation of false teachers in verse 4?
- 7. What was it that the people of Israel did not believe in verse 5?
- 8. Why were the angels reserved in chains instead of being judged?
- 9. What is the overall message of verses 5through 7?
- 10. How can we as believers contend for our faith?