Keeping the "Blah, Blah" Out of our Belief Jude 1-7

Short Books with Powerful Messages, part 5

- The Book of Jude is a powerhouse epistle full of God's holy indignation and deep affection; this rugged little book is passionate, picturesque, and poetic, the doorstep to The Revelation, the consummation book of the Bible.
- Jude was the brother of James and half brother to our Lord Jesus Christ (Matthew 13:55; Mark 6:3; Acts 1:14)
- So how do we keep the "blah blah" out of our belief and our Christian walk?

1. Never Forget the Wonder of our Call, v.1,2

- A. What God has Done! v.1
- B. What God has Given! v.2

2. Never Forget the Warfare of our Salvation, v.3, 4

- A. Our FIGHT: "Earnestly contend..."
- B. Our FAITH:
- "The faith" speaks of the doctrinal substance or content of what we believe; it is the entire body of doctrinal truth we hold dear.
 - C. Our FOES, v.4
 - They wormed their way in, unnoticed with ungodly character and false doctrine.

3. Never Forget the Warnings of our God, v.5-7

- Jude reminds us of three privileged groups who threw away their privilege and came under God's judgment:
 - A. The Unbelieving Israelites Judged in the Wilderness, v.5
 - B. The Fallen Angels who are in Everlasting Chains of Darkness, v.6
 - C. The Wicked Inhabitants of Sodom & Gomorrah suffering in Eternal Fire, v.7