

Contending for the Faith

"Dealing With Apostates"

Jude 9-10

Introduction

So far, in our study of the book of Jude, we have learned that at the close of the first century, false teachers began to creep into the Church with corrupting doctrines and messages. After the disciples of Jesus were martyred, the first-century believers relied upon the Old Testament, the gospels and the letters written by the apostles to guide them in matters of faith.

1. Jude, the brother of Jesus, accepted Jesus as the Christ _____ the Resurrection.
2. Jude wants to make sure the _____ of Christ's message will continue.
3. He is concerned about the subtle ways Satan is using false teachers and doctrines to distort the teachings of Jesus and destroy the _____ of believers.

I. Michael vs. Satan

4. Jude compares the behavior of Satan with the archangel _____.
5. Jude contrasts Michael, who would not take the law into his own hands, with the _____ teachers who were more than happy to do so.
6. Michael is one of _____ angels mentioned by name in Scripture.
7. Michael's name means, "Who is like _____?"

8. According to Daniel 10, Michael has special charge over the nation of Israel and is called "one of the chief _____."
9. The Bible describes Satan as _____ in the prophetic book of Isaiah.
10. Michael's wisdom in dealing with Satan attacks may be the very reason God commissions Michael with casting Satan out of _____ during the Tribulation.
11. Moses died on Mt. _____ after God showed Moses the Promised Land that he brought Israel from Egypt to inherit.
12. The term "devil" is only one of the names the Apostle John ascribes to _____.
13. A devil is a false accuser and _____.
14. Jude says that Satan wanted to argue with Michael and challenged him to a debate over the dead body of _____.
15. You don't ever need to defend _____! He is very capable of defending himself.
16. The word "_____ " means to decide a question of legal right or wrong or to determine the innocence or guilt of the accused.
17. Michael refused to pass sentence on the Devil on his own authority. He simply says, "The Lord _____ you!"

II. Michael vs. the Apostates

18. Jude also compares the behavior of the _____ with the archangel Michael.
19. Apostates will take liberties that even Michael the archangel would _____.
20. Peter says these apostates are, "presumptuous, _____."
21. They are not afraid to speak evil of dignitaries, whereas angels, who are greater in power and might, do not bring a reviling _____ against them before the Lord.
22. Jude contrasts the appalling _____ of these evil men who "rail on God" with the mild response of the Archangel Michael, who didn't even dare to revile Satan even though he could have.
23. Even though the devil was motivated by malice and Michael recognized that his accusation was slanderous, he did not attempt to dismiss the devil's case – Why? - because he was well aware that he was not the _____.
24. Michael asks the Lord, who alone is the _____, to condemn Satan for his slander.

III. Apostates vs. Animals

25. Jude also says the apostates are animalistic and ignorant _____.
26. Jude says these people are like _____.
27. Apostates are spiritually blind, but true believers can

always see through their _____.

28. Apostates are intellectually arrogant and _____ ignorant.

29. Like wild animals, these spiritual imposters react only to present circumstances, without giving thought to the _____ consequences of their actions.

Conclusion

30. Apostates have no sense of the _____ issues of life.

Sin will take you further than you ever intended to stray. It will keep you longer than you ever intended to stay. And it will cost you more than you ever dreamed you would pay.

31. The ways of the apostates are _____.

What is our response? Psalm 20:7 says, "Some *trust* in chariots, and some in horses; But we will remember the name of the LORD our God." (Psa 20:7 NKJV)

Answers

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| 1. After | 15. God | 30. Moral |
| 2. Purity | 16. Judgment | 31. Destructive |
| 3. Faith | 17. Rebuke | |
| 4. Michael | 18. Apostates | |
| 5. Apostate | 19. Reject | |
| 6. Three | 20. Self-willed | |
| 7. God | 21. Accusation | |
| 8. Princes | 22. Arrogance | |
| 9. Lucifer | 23. Judge | |
| 10. Heaven | 24. Judge | |
| 11. Nebo | 25. Revilers | |
| 12. Satan | 26. Animals | |
| 13. Slanderer | 27. Arguments | |
| 14. Moses | 28. Spiritually | |
| | 29. Eternal | |