

CONTEND FOR THE FAITH

Jude

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- **Contend-** Compound Greek word meaning “to strive for.”
 - As in “contending against an adversary” or to fight.
- **The Faith**- the known and received body of truth about Jesus and salvation. Notice that this is singular.
- **Once for all delivered**
 - By the time of this epistle “the faith” had already been fixed and established.
 - The N.T. documents had been circulated to the churches either by oral transmission or in letter form.
 - The content was complete nothing more could be added.

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- *Subjective.....*

BELIEFS

- Jude 4
- They perverted the grace of God.
 - The denial of Jesus was not necessarily a lack of belief but the twisting and distortion of his truth.
- II Peter 2:2

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EXPERIENCES

- Jude 8
 - Dreams
 - Visions
 - Voices
- Hebrews 1:1-2

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MORALS

- Jude 16, 18
- Subjective thought #1- Stealing to benefit family physically.
 - Reality- Eph. 4:28
- Subjective thought #2- Dressing lustfully in certain environments.
 - Reality- Romans 13:13-14
- Subjective thought #3- Going to a bar and having some drinks.....
 - Reality- I Peter 1:13-15, I Thess. 5:22
- Subjective thought #4- Leaving my wife for my true love.-
 - Reality- Matt. 22:34-40