## JUDE 17 - 19. LESSON FOR AUDITORIUM CLASS IN (August 8, 76) JOHNSON CITY, TEXAS SUNDAY MORNING.

INTRODUCTION: Jude now refers to the warnings of apostles respecting these the scoff-ing teachers who had entered in among them.

1. The warning and appeal is directed to the saints themselves.

(2Pet.3:1-3) "But, beloved, remember ye the words which were spoken before of the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ."

2. Some prophecies on this matter:
1. Acts 20:29; 2) 1 Tim 4:1, 2; 3) 2 Tim 4:1-5.

2. The teaching of the apostles on this matter was not something new.

1. Jude's readers must have been familiar with the words spoken before.

2. They could not remember something of which they had never heard or been taught.

## 3. Remember.

1. The power of memory for good or bad.

 Memory may be as the calm waters, or, it may lash us with misery and agony.

 In this instance throws back the saints upon the recollection (memory) of Scripture as their only guide.

4. It is not always pleasant, perhaps never, but it is the duty of preachers to warn the people of approaching evils.

5. Here Jude teaches us that it is the duty of preachers to warn of approaching evils but also to expose those evils already present in the lives of members.

6. Some has said, "To be forewarned is to be forearmed."

3. Jude 18; "How that they told you..." What?
1. "There should be mockers in the last time..."

1. They arise in the last time, that is; the period of time lying between the first and the second coming of Christ. See 2 Pet. 3:3

2. Mockers are wicked as they are scornful.
Acts 17:32-34. Mockery is a bearer against
the reception of good.

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## JUDE 18; Continued.

Consider what should be the conduct of Christians in the presence of mockers.

1. We must bear mockings with patience, like our

Lord. Heb 12:2

 We must render evil for evil (scoff for scoff) at the risk of hardening scoffers. Rom. 12:17

3. We must not allow soccfers, false teachers, to to deter us from following the Lord fully.

2. A mark of the scoffers:

1. "Walking after their own ungodly lusts." V. 18
1. They will not be restrained by godly restraints.

## JUDE 19

1. Here we have the application of the prophecy to the seducers of Jude's day. NOTE the three fold division of the verse 19.

1. "These be they who separate themselves..."

1. Separations are usually grounded on departures from, or, parting from Bible teachings.

 New issues are brough up in an effort to justify separation. Men depart from Bible teaching because of opinions on a given subject.

2. "Sensual..."

1. Senauality: A desire for more liberty in sinful enjoyment.

2. Sensuality hardens within, corrupts affections,

3. Corrupt affections blind the judgment and hardens the hearts of men.

3. "Having not the Spirit ... "

1. Those without the Spirit are easily carried away into grevious sin.

2. Christians should seek the Spirit of holiness,

love, meekness, and truth.

1. This is say then, Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfill the lusts of the flesh. Gal 5:16

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