



# DIGGING DEEPER

Jude 5-16 – A Certain End

**PLEASE READ** – Jude 1-25

## **GETTING STARTED**

Why do you think Jude spends so much of his letter helping us understand what these false teachers are like?

### **1) THEY REJECT GOD'S AUTHORITY (v5-10)**

What do we learn from these 3 OT illustrations? What are the similarities / differences?

What do you make of the comparison Jude draws between them and unreasoning animals in v10.

How helpful do you find the phrase...‘theology of the gut’? How applicable is that to us today?

### **2) THEY LEAD OTHERS ASTRAY (v11)**

Focus in on Korah's rebellion (Numbers 16v1-3). What do learn from it? How closely does it fit with Jude 4?

If you have time, look at Cain's lack of faith (Genesis 4 / Heb 11v4) and Balaam's unfaithfulness (Numbers 22-24 and 31v16)

### **3) THEY PROMISE LIFE BUT DELIVER DEATH (v12-13)**

Take some time to explore the 6 illustrations Jude gives in these 2 verses. Which one do you find most helpful / challenging / arresting?

### **4) THEIR END IS CERTAIN (v14-16)**

Talk about the variety and strength of language we find in this whole section (v5-16) that speaks about their 'certain end?'

What do you make of Jude using a prophecy that's not actually from the Bible but is found in another Jewish source (First Enoch)?

Spend some good time praying that as individuals and churches we would contend for the faith...

**Meditate on the words of Paul below...**

**Titus 2v11-12:** For the grace of God has appeared that offers salvation to all people.

<sup>12</sup> It teaches us to say "No" to ungodliness and worldly passions...