# Spots in Your Love Feasts—Part II (Jude 1:14-25)

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#### **Enoch**

- ☑ Enoch was the seventh generation (including Adam). You can read of the generations in Genesis 5.
  - "Enoch lived sixty-five years, and begot Methuselah.

    After he begot Methuselah, Enoch walked with God

    three hundred years, and had sons and daughters. So

    all the days of Enoch were three hundred and sixty-five

    years. And Enoch walked with God; and he was not,

    for God took him." Genesis 5:21-24 NKJV
- ☑ It is good to note that Enoch "walked with God" so his
  words must bear excellent credibility!
  - This prophecy of Enoch that is referred to here by Jude is NOT found in the Scriptures, but instead in the First Book of Enoch, an extra-biblical text ascribed to Enoch, the great-grandfather of Noah. You can read about this book here: The Book of Enoch

## <u>Judgment, Conviction, Ungodly Deeds, and Ungodly Words</u>

The words of Enoch may not have been canonized in the Hebrew texts of the Old Testament, but they are nevertheless consistent with the Holy Scriptures.

Hypocrites and heretics will will be tried, judged, convicted and executed by Yahweh in the end. What they

do and what they say will not go unpunished. Please refer back to the teaching from the first half the Jude to reflect on who these ungodly people are: Spots in Your Love Feasts—PART I

#### **Grumblers and Complainers**

"These are grumblers, complainers, walking according to their own lusts; and they mouth great swelling words, flattering people to gain advantage. But you, beloved, remember the words which were spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ: how they told you that there would be mockers in the last time who would walk according to their own ungodly lusts. These are sensual persons, who cause divisions, not having the Spirit." Jude 1:16-19 NKJV

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- "These are grumblers, complainers, walking according to their own lusts; and they mouth great swelling words, flattering people to gain advantage." Jude 1:16 NKJV
  - Who are these apostates, and how would you describe them?
    - Even as the prophecy of Enoch to which Jude is referring is not in the Bible, certainly these types of men are

named all over the scriptures. It is often said that the one lie that most people are willing to believe, even when it is known to be a lie, is that of flattery. It is the great manipulator of man's emotions and an easy way to gain an advantage over others. And over whom would you even wish to gain an advantage, you might be thinking? Well, no doubt it would be an adversary. Keep an eye out for those who murmur and complain in front of you, especially against those in leadership. Watch out if they do so, and then compliment you in the process. It's a positioning technique aimed to gain a stronghold over you. It's easily recognized, as soon after the exchange you will we asked for something. It counts on the great law of reciprocity. I just gave you something, so you naturally want to give something back. It's like a sowing and reaping thing. If you watch closely, it is the methodology of most politicians these days, the ones who have lost sight on why they are office, to serve others rather than themselves.

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### **Words of the Apostles...**

- You can hardly find a better warning against false doctrines and false teachers than in II Peter 2. You can study that chapter in detail here.
  - ☑ Destructive Doctrines—PART I
  - ☑ Destructive Doctrines—PART II
  - ☑ Destructive Doctrines—PART III
- **Words of the Apostles—Mockers who seek their own**lusts and cause divisions...
  - The Apostle Peter: "Beloved, I now write to you this second epistle (in both of which I stir up your pure minds by way of reminder), that you may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets, and of the commandment of us, the apostles of the Lord and Savior, knowing this first: that scoffers will come in the last days, walking according to their own lusts, and saying, "Where is the promise of His coming? For since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation."" II Peter 3:1-4 NKJV

- The Apostle Paul: "Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them. For those who are such do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple." Romans 16:17-18

  NKJV
- The Apostle Paul to Titus: "But avoid foolish disputes, genealogies, contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and useless. Reject a divisive man after the first and second admonition, knowing that such a person is warped and sinning, being self-condemned."

  Titus 3:9-11 NKJV
- The Apostle Paul to Timothy: "If anyone teaches otherwise and does not consent to wholesome words, even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine which accords with godliness, he is proud, knowing nothing, but is obsessed with disputes and arguments over words, from which come envy, strife, reviling, evil suspicions, useless wranglings of men of corrupt minds and destitute of the truth, who suppose that godliness is a means of gain. From such withdraw yourself." I Timothy 6:3-5 NKJV

■ The Apostle Paul to Timothy: "But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!" Il Timothy 3:1-5 NKJV

#### How can you help?

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- Be careful to look upon all those who are causing controversies with a love filter over your eyes!
  - This is where it gets difficult. You cannot lump every person who seems to be off in their motivations and doctrines into the same category. As tempting as that is, and as simple as that would make it, God is telling us that not all of them are beyond redemption. Certainly some of them are. But, how do you know who is who?
- **☑** Pray is the Spirit! Paul describes it best!
- "Likewise the Spirit also helps in our weaknesses. For we do not know what we should pray for as we ought, but the Spirit Himself makes intercession for us with groanings which cannot be uttered. Now He who searches the hearts knows what the mind of the Spirit is, because He makes intercession for the saints according to the will of God." Romans 8:26-27 NKJV
- Yes, let the Spirit help you in your discernment. And let love be your guide: "Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. And

though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing." I Corinthians 13:1-3 NKJV

- "And on some have compassion, making a distinction; but others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh." Jude 1:22-23 NKJV
  - ✓ A few ways to approach those whom you discern are redeemable...
    - ☑ Compassion: sympathetic pity and concern for the sufferings or misfortunes of others...
    - ▼ Fear: a feeling of anxiety concerning the outcome of something or the safety and well-being of someone...
    - ☑ Reverence: deep respect, high esteem or high regard for someone or something...

#### **☑** Pull them OUT OF THE FIRE

If Yahweh inspires sympathy for someone in your heart because you discern their actions are coming from a place of pain and misfortune, it is likely that they do not need to be judged, but rather ministered to. We are called to be ministers of reconciliation and this is the perfect place for it. This does not mean your words must always be sunshine and rainbows; sometimes it will be

that you put the fear of God in them. This is not an irrational fear like they are coming home to a drunk father from whom they might receive either a hug or a smack. This is reverence for a Holy God who wants to touch their hearts and transform their lives.

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- "Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new. Now all things are of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation, that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation. Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore you on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him." II Corinthians 5:17-21 NKJV
  - How can you help? You are a new creation and that can only happen because you first die with Christ. In your new life you are made ministers of reconciliation. What does that mean? It means that you are actually

assigned to be legal ambassadors for King Y'shua and you are commissioned to go out and stand in His place as if God was pleading through you! You actually take on the role of being the righteousness of God in the earth.

#### A Stumble-Free Life!

"Now to Him who is able to keep you from stumbling, And to present you faultless Before the presence of His glory with exceeding joy, To God our Savior, Who alone is wise, Be glory and majesty, Dominion and power, Both now and forever. Amen." Jude 1:24-25 NKJV

#### **Scripture 1:26-50**

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  - **✓** Him who is able...Should I stumble the I should fall?
    - "The Lord makes firm the steps of the one who delights in him; though he may stumble, he will not fall, for the Lord upholds him with his hand." Psalms 37:23-24 NIV

### **☑** Do these things...so you don't stumble!

- "Therefore, my brothers and sisters, make every effort to confirm your calling and election. For if you do these things, you will never stumble," 2 Peter 1:10 NIV
  - Do what things? Read II Peter 1:1-9 and you will see all the things to which Peter is referring! (Add to your Faith: Virtue, Knowledge, Self-Control, Perseverance, Godliness, Brotherly Kindness, and Love.)
  - ☑ Important Teachings that support this content:
    - Precious Promises
    - The Path to the Divine Nature FoundationalTeaching

    - <u> ▼ The Path to the Divine Nature Scripture Resources</u>

### **Become blameless—Sanctified in Spirt, Soul and Body**

"May God himself, the God of peace, sanctify you through and through. May your whole **spirit**, **soul and body** be **kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus** Christ. The one who calls you is faithful, and he will do it." 1 Thessalonians 5:23-24 NIV

#### **NEXT WEEK**

A Changed Man (Philemon 1)