

Life Group Guide

Overview of Jude, Verse 1-2

Connect: 30-45 min

Consider sharing a meal together, discussing the highs/lows of the week, or any celebrations/hard things that happened last week, follow up from prayer requests.

Discuss: Scripture/Sermon Discussion (30-45 mins)

1. According to the sermon is what ways are 1,2,3 John and Jude similar, what principles are they grounding in as they write to others.
2. Take a deeper look into verses 1 and 2. What does it mean to be called, beloved of the Father, and kept for Jesus Christ? What do you notice about the manner in which Jude writes to these people? Are any of these hard to believe?
3. In the Sermon Brad mentioned that we are all being built up together. If we share in the partaking of the body of Christ, what would shared hope, faith, and love actually look like?
4. Brad mentions that there are times in which we see someone “walk away from the faith”. He has described this as a believer who is in disobedience, or someone who has never truly been saved. We all have times of choosing to walk in the flesh. Would anyone like to share with the group a moment when they found themselves in disobedience or perhaps maybe in disobedience now? Be attentive and listen with a loving heart.
5. When it comes to living out our faith, Brad mentioned that right doctrine should connect with right conduct, good behavior will not lead to right doctrine. Are there any areas in your life where you see disconnect in this principle? In what ways can we see how the world may be feeding us wrong doctrine and lead us to wrong conduct?

Closing Challenge: Experiencing Ongoing Freedom

Remember that in Christ, you are fully forgiven, fully known, fully loved, and fully accepted. Christ came and died for us so that we could have a relationship with God. He doesn't call us out in shame or guilt, but lovingly invites us to come to Him with all things and to turn to the everlasting way. God is not surprised by our sin and brokenness, he wants you to come to him. Take some time to present yourselves before the Lord and ask the Holy Spirit to search your heart. See what comes up and confess to him what is in your heart. Grace will meet you there.

