

JUDE'S REASON FOR WRITING  
(Jude 3-4)

- I. His ORIGINAL Purpose (v. 3a)
  - A. Addresses his audience as "BELOVED"
  - B. He was TRYING to write, but was making LITTLE PROGRESS
  - C. He wanted to write about "OUR COMMON SALVATION"
    - 1. Possessed by ALL who are "the CALLED, BELOVED in God the Father, and KEPT for Jesus Christ"
    - 2. Involves DELIVERANCE from the GUILT of past sins, from BONDAGE to sin in the present, and from the PRESENCE of sin in the resurrection
  
- II. His ALTERED Purpose (v. 3b)
  - A. Driven by an IRRESISTIBLE COMPULSION
  - B. Urging UNIFIED action
    - 1. A call to VIGOROUS effort

2. A call to CONTINUOUS effort
- C. Calling for the DEFENSE of “the FAITH”
1. Described as SETTLED and NON-NEGOTIABLE
  2. Described as DELIVERED, not DEVELOPED
  3. Described as ENTRUSTED to “the SAINTS”
- III. His REASON for the Change (v. 4)
- A. The intrusion of STEALTHY DECIEVERS
- B. The ANCIENT VERDICT concerning these men
1. Warning to avoid being DECEIVED
  2. Encouragement that God is AWARE and will JUDGE
- C. The DESCRIPTION of these men
1. Their CHARACTER is “UNGODLY”
  2. Their CONDUCT is “LICENTIOUSNESS”
  3. Their CREED is denial of Christ as SOVEREIGN MASTER