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GOD'S HISTORICAL JUDGMENT OF APOSTATES (Jude 5-7)

- I. The Explanation of His PURPOSE (v. 5a)
 - A. He wants to REMIND them of things they KNOW
 - B. They need to PONDER and APPLY what they know
 - 1. We need to KNOW the WORD of God
 - We need to allow it to INFORM and SHAPE our responses to life's challenges
- II. The Example of UNBELIEVING ISRAEL (v. 5b)
 - A. The Lord SAVED a PEOPLE out of Egypt
 - 1. By His limitless POWER
 - 2. To display His abundant GRACE
 - B. The Lord DESTROYED those who "did not BELIEVE"
 - 1. A warning for those who HEAR the truth but REJECT it
 - 2. A warning to beware DECIEVERS in their MIDST

- 3. A warning that affiliation with CHRISTIANITY will not PROTECT an unbeliever
- III. The Example of FALLEN ANGELS (v. 6)
 - A. This is a PARTICULAR group of angels who SINNED (cf. 1 Pet. 3:19-20)
 - 1. They "did not KEEP their own DOMAIN"
 - 2. They "ABANDONED their proper ABODE"
 - B. God has KEPT them BOUND
 - 1. Their bonds are ETERNAL
 - 2. They are bound in DARKNESS
 - 3. They are awaiting FINAL JUDGMENT
- IV. The Example of SODOM and GOMORRAH (v. 7)
 - A. Their sin was LIKE that of the ANGELS
 - 1. They "indulged in GROSS IMMORALITY"
 - 2. They PURSUED "STRANGE FLESH"
 - B. Their sin PROVOKED God's JUDGMENT
 - 1. Their destruction EXHIBITS God's WRATH
 - 2. Their destruction DEPICTS "the punishment of ETERNAL FIRE"