



Fighting For the Fullness

Loved, Called and Kept

I, Jude, am a slave to Jesus Christ and brother to James, writing to those loved by God the Father, called and kept safe by Jesus Christ. Relax, everything's going to be all right; rest, everything's coming together; open your hearts, love is on the way! **Jude 1-2**

Loved with an everlasting love - Amazing!

Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? [37] No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. [38] For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, [39] neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord. **Romans 8:35,37-39**

- You are invited into an abiding experience of Love

Called by God himself - what a privileged and honoured calling

"I, the Lord, have called you in righteousness; I will take hold of your hand. I will keep you and will make you to be a covenant for the people and a light for the Gentiles, [7] to open eyes that are blind, to free captives from prison and to release from the dungeon those who sit in darkness. **Isaiah 42:6-7**

- So if receiving an invite from PM 10 Downing Street

Kept - His keeping power over our lives

being confident of this, that he who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus. **Philippians 1:6**

Loved - Called - Kept

He keeps us till the end

And now to him who can keep you on your feet, standing tall in his bright presence, fresh and celebrating— to our one God, our only Saviour, through Jesus Christ, our Master, be glory, majesty, strength, and rule before all time, and now, and to the end of all time. Yes. **Jude 24-25**

- So God loves us, He calls us and he keeps us
- When its all said and done, He keeps us on our feet, tall and in his presence fresh and bright
- This gives us unshakeable confidence and rest in God



- An intimate and real daily joy flowing from a vibrant relationship

What you **See** determines what you **reach** for

- Do you see that you are loved, called, kept and will be kept standing till the end?

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Dear friends, although I was very eager to write to you about the salvation we share, I felt compelled to write and urge you to contend for the faith that was once for all entrusted to God's holy people. **Jude 3**

...I have to write insisting—begging!—that you fight with everything you have in you for this faith... **Jude 3 MSG**

When God promises that his church will be kept from defeat, his purpose is not that we lay down our sword and go to lunch, but that we pick up the sword of the Spirit and look confidently to God for the strength to fight and win. **John Piper**

Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses. **1 Timothy 6:12**

- Fight the good fight of faith
- Take hold of eternal life

Clash of Kingdoms

From the days of John the Baptist until now, the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it. **Matthew 11:12**

- A clash of Kingdoms
- It's not a passive thing
- We are in a war
- The enemy would like to destroy you if he could
- There is a clash of kingdoms

Two Kingdoms - But they are not equal in authority or power

If you falter in a time of trouble, how small is your strength! **Proverbs 24.10**

1. Contend for New Testament Theology
2. Contend for New Testament Lifestyle
3. Contend for New Testament Power - Fire
4. Contend for the promises of God



5. Contend for the fullness of breakthrough
6. Contend for the fullness of maturity in your call/identity
7. Contend for your marriage
8. Contend for your children
9. Contend for the vision/dreams God has put into your heart
10. Contending for This Church family and Apostolic Movement to fulfil every bit of our purpose
11. We counted for our Church, those wounded, hurting and those who aren't yet even here with us
12. Contend for our Towns and cities
13. Contend for our nation
14. Contend for Revival

My prayer for you today

A. I pray for open eyes today

I keep asking that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the glorious Father, may give you the Spirit of wisdom and revelation, so that you may know him better. [18] I pray that the eyes of your heart may be enlightened in order that you may know the hope to which he has called you, the riches of his glorious inheritance in his holy people, [19] and his incomparably great power for us who believe. That power is the same as the mighty strength. **Ephesians 1:17-19**

B. I pray for Faith

C. I pray for Endurance

D. I pray for Strength

Fight for Fullness in these three key areas

The abandoned life - The first commandment 'A God First Life'

Jesus replied: " 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind.' [38] This is the first and greatest commandment. **Matthew 22:37-38**

- abandoned to God
- fasted life, set apart life
- Loving and walking with God
- Wholehearted life
- A God first Life

The shared life - The second commandment 'An interdependent life.'

And the second is like it: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' **Matthew 22:39**

- we have to love him together



- Community - 'Together with all the saints ..come to maturity'
- Loving and living with each other as essential

The Poured out life - The great commission 'Go into all the world..'

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. [19] Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptising them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, [20] and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." **Matthew 28:18-20**

- The City saved and
- The fulfilment of the great commission
- Go into the entire world - Incarnational
- Make disciples

Wake up! Strengthen what remains and is about to die, for I have not found your deeds complete in the sight of my God. **Revelation 3:2**

Conclusion

- It's a time to contend TOGETHER for the promises and purposes of God
- Lets Keep our eyes on Jesus
- Lets stir ourselves up to take hold of him
- Lets create space together here to seek him and pursue him
- We are LOVED, CALLED AND KEPT
- HE WILL KEEP US STANDING TALL AND BRIGHT IN HIS PRESENCE TILL THE END
- But in between those two bookends we MUST CONTEND