

## Little Letters | Jude 1-19

### February 17th,18th, 2024

#### My Story Questions

*These questions/activities help the group know one another and transition to deeper discussion. Choose one. OR.... You might start the meeting with one person sharing highlights of their story. Set up a rotation.*

- 1) What are your favorite Winter activities?
- 2) Where have you seen the influence of a leader pulling people astray?

#### Study Questions

*Try to go in order from observation to interpretation to application and feel free to choose a few questions you like from each section or add your own.*

#### **Observation Questions: What do you observe about the text?**

Watch [Jude](#) video from the Bible Project together:

- 1) What was surprising to you in the overview of the book? What was memorable?

#### **Read Jude 1-19**

- 1) What jumps off the page? What do you notice?
- 2) Where do you see the theme of submitting to God's authority being developed? (See vs 1,4,6,8)
- 3) In what ways are the false teachers described? (See vs 8,10,12-14,16,19)
- 4) How would you summarize this section of Jude's letter?

#### **Interpretation Questions: What does it mean?**

- 5) How does the warning about false teachers infiltrating the church resonate with the challenges the Church faces today?
- 6) What are the core truths we need to guard and what beliefs are not essential? What are some current false teachings that you are familiar with? What is the difference between a disagreement in "doctrine" and a false teacher described by Jude?
- 7) What are some of the ways people pervert the grace of God into a license for immorality?
- 8) How does reminding yourself that you are "owned" by Jesus stand as both a comfort and a challenge? (I Corinthians 6:19-20)
- 9) What do you learn about God and his judgment against sinful behavior? (Maybe jump ahead to the encouragement in the doxology - vs 24-25)

#### **Application Questions: What do I do?**

- 10) How can we also heed the warnings and exhortations to walk in a holy lifestyle?
- 11) What does it look like for believers to actively guard against false teachings today?
- 12) What resources could help you to learn the context of challenging Bible passages?

#### Responding to Jesus

*Offer these questions for personal reflection before your group prayer time. Practice listening for God's voice.*

- 1) Lord, "Where am I rejecting your authority?"
- 2) Lord, "What can I do to know your scriptures better?"