

OUTLINE OF 2 PETER

- I. Exhortation to Make Your Calling Sure (1:1-15)
 (“**Make every effort** to add to your faith,” 1:5)
- II. Confidence in Christ’s Second Coming (1:16-21)
 (“Until **the day** dawns,” 1:19)
- III. False Teachers: Their Deeds and Destiny (2:1-22)
 (*Center section of letter*)
- IV. Comfort from Christ’s Second Coming (3:1-13)
 (“**The day** of the Lord will come like a thief,” 3:10)
- V. Exhortation to Grow as the Day Approaches (3:14-18)
 (“**Make every effort** to be found spotless,” 3:14)

OUTLINE OF JUDE

- I. Greeting (1-2)
- II. Exhortation to Contend for the Faith (3-4)
- III. *Center of book*: False Teachers: Their Deeds and Destiny (5-16)
- IV. Exhortation to Be Built Up in the Faith (17-23)
- V. Doxology (24-25)

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Next Week: The Book of 1 Thessalonians

Core Seminars—New Testament **Class 22: 2 Peter & Jude: Perseverance in the Midst of Falsehood**



“Take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability.” 2 Pet. 3:17

“Contend for the faith that was once for all delivered to the saints.” – Jude 3

I. INTRODUCTION: *The Airport Bookstore*

- 2 Peter 2:1, Jude v.4: “Among you”

Purpose: *To warn Christians against false teaching and to encourage them to persevere in the true faith.*

II. AUTHORSHIP, AUDIENCE & CONTEXT

- 2 Peter 1:1, 1:16, 2:1
- Jude 1, 4

Key Similarities

2 Peter	Jude
1:12	5
2:4	6
2:10-12	8-10
2:15-16	11
2:17	12-13
3:2	17

III. OUTLINE (*see back page*)

IV. MAIN THEMES OF 2 PETER AND JUDE

A. THE CERTAINTY OF YOUR CALL

- Salvation is God's work – Jude 1, 2 Pet. 1:3-4
- Make your calling and election sure – 2 Pet. 1:5-11
- Examine the fruit of your life – 2 Pet. 1:5-7
- Depend on the mercy of Jesus – Jude 21

B. THE CERTAINTY OF GOD'S TRUTH

- Remember the apostles' words – Jude 17-18
- Trust the Old Testament Scripture – 2 Pet. 1:19-21
- Trust the writings of Paul – 2 Pet. 3:15-16
- Recall God's Word – 2 Pet. 3:2

C. THE CERTAINTY OF BAD FRUIT FROM FALSE TEACHING

- Flawed doctrine – 2 Pet. 3:4, Jude 4 – “Antinomianism”
- Godless lifestyle:
 - Rejecting authority – 2 Pet. 2:10
 - Embracing immorality – 2 Pet. 2:13-14
 - Serving only themselves – Jude 12, 16
- Our response: *Contend for the faith* – Jude 3, 2 Pet. 3:17

D. THE CERTAINTY OF GOD'S JUDGMENT

- Judgment to punish ungodliness – Jude 14-15
- The folly of denying God's judgment – 2 Pet. 3:8-9
- The unexpectedness of the day of the Lord – 2 Pet. 3:10
- Living in light of God's coming judgment:
 - Pursue holiness – 2 Pet. 3:11-12
 - Look forward – 2 Pet. 3:14

V. CONCLUSION: *He is able to keep us from stumbling (Jude 24-25)*