**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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**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

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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.

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II. AUTHORSHIP, AUDIENCE & CONTEXT

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

**Key Similarities**

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Next Week: The Book of 1 Thessalonians

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

- 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)