

GULF SHORES CHURCH OF CHRIST

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GETTING CONNECTED: *Committing To Faithful Living* Jude 20-22

Introduction : The book of Jude is a small but powerful book. It was written around 75 AD. His theme: Fight, contend, and do battle! The enemy is near!!! However, the underlying theme shows us how to get connected with the lost and stay connected to the Lord. We need to find ways to stay connected to our power source, but find ways to reach out to those outside of the Lord's body! Let's study together

Discussion :

I. Faithful Christians Build Up Their Faith (v.20)

We can build up our faith by staying close to other Christians.
We can build up our faith by striving after holiness.
We can build up our faith by starting to put God first.

II. Faithful Christians Pray in the Spirit (v.20)

We can commune with the Spirit.
We can bear fruit of the Spirit.
We can become more spirit-led people.
We can become more spirit-fed people.

III. Faithful Christians Stay in God's Love (v.21)

We need to understand the love of God.
We need to appreciate the love of God.
We need to remain in the love of God.

IV. Faithful Christians Look for the Mercy of God (v.21)

God's mercy will give us peace.
God's mercy will give us hope.
God's mercy will give us eternal life.

V. Faithful Christians Have Compassion (v.22)

We can show compassion to weak Christians.
We can show compassion to ignorant Christians.
We can show compassion to faithless Christians.

Conclusion : We need to be committed to living in Christ no matter how difficult life seems. The church needs to be prepared to fight, contend, and do battle. The enemy is on our doorstep and we have to stand up! We are the soldiers of the Lord. We need to stay connected to our Lord and find ways to connect the lost to Him!