

**CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH  
THE BOOK OF JUDE  
JUDE 3–THE COMMON SALVATION**

**INTRODUCTION**

Jude had planned to write the believers, but he had never planned to write this particular letter.

He had planned to write about the great subject of salvation. But he was not able to.

He refers to it as “*the common salvation.*” That is, the salvation that is shared by all true believers.

**“THE COMMON (SHARED) SALVATION” JUDE REFERS TO INCLUDES SOME COMMON ITEMS:**

**I. THERE IS ONE COMMON SALVATION FOR EVERYONE!  
(GALATIANS 3:28)**

*Galatians 3:28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus.*

If you are going to be saved at all you must be saved the same way others are saved.

1. Despite One’s Race or Skin Color.
2. Despite One’s Nationality. (Jew or Gentile)
3. Despite One’s Tongue or Language.
4. Despite One’s Economic Standing (Rich or Poor).
5. Despite One’s Social Standing (Bond or Free).
6. Despite One’s Sex or Gender (Male or Female).
7. Despite Any Other Differences That Men May Be Prejudiced About.

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*Isaiah 45:22–“Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else.”*

**II. THERE IS ONE COMMON SAVIOUR!  
(GALATIANS 3:26; ACTS 4:12; JOHN 14:6)**

*Galatians 3:26–For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus”*

*Acts 4:12–“Neither is there salvation in any other: for there is **none** other name under heaven given among men, whereby we must be saved.”*

*John 14:6–Jesus said, “**no man** cometh unto the Father but by Me.”*

When we adhere to **what the Bible says about salvation** and **what Jesus said about salvation**, the world wants to call us “**bigots.**”

The word “**bigot**” literally means “**a man with a mustache. Hence, a man of spirit or an obstinate person. Defined as a narrow minded person who holds blindly and intolerantly to a particular creed, opinion, etc.**”

I freely confess **we are narrow minded, just as narrow minded as Jesus is!**

However **we are not blindly following, but rather we follow by faith!**

Furthermore, we are tolerant of others creeds and opinions, (i.e. You are free to believe anything you want to believe) but being tolerant doesn’t mean we have to believe that just anybody can get to heaven by anyway!

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**III. THERE ARE COMMON ELEMENTS TO OUR SALVATION!**

- A. We Were ALL Sinners! (Romans 3:9-12, 23)**
- B. We Were ALL Under A Sentence Of Death!**  
*Romans 5:12–“Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned:”*
- C. We ALL Had Our Sin And Resulting Death Sentence Laid Upon Christ! (Isaiah 53:6; 2 Corinthians 5:14-15)**  
*Isaiah 53:6– “All we like sheep have gone astray; we have turned every one to his own way; and the LORD hath laid on him the iniquity of us all.”*
- D. We ALL Obtained Our Salvation Through Repentance From Sin And Faith In Christ’s Finished Work On The Cross! (Romans 10:9-10; Galatians 3:26)**  
*Romans 10:9-10 9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. 10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.*  
  
*Galatians 3:26–For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus”*
- E. We Have ALL Been Placed Into ONE Body–The Body Of Christ! (Ephesians 4:4; 1 Corinthians 12:13)**  
i.e. The fellowship of Believers–The Church.  
  
*Ephesians 4:4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;*

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- 1 Corinthians 12:13–“For by one Spirit are we all baptized into one body, whether we be Jews or Gentiles, whether we be bond or free; and have been all made to drink into one Spirit.”*
- F. We Have ALL Been Made To Drink Into ONE Spirit! (Ephesians 4:4; 1 Corinthians 12:13)**  
**That one Spirit is the Holy Spirit who activates the fellowship!**  
  
*Ephesians 4:4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;*
- G. We ALL Have ONE Hope Of Our Calling! (Ephesians 4:4; Titus 2:13)**  
**The glorious future to which we have been called!**  
  
*Ephesians 4:4 There is one body, and one Spirit, even as ye are called in one hope of your calling;*  
  
*Titus 2:13–“Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ;”*
- H. We ALL Have One Lord! (Ephesians 4:5; Philippians 2:10-11)**  
Christ Jesus who is the King of kings and Lord of lords to whom we all belong.  
*Ephesians 4:5 One Lord, one faith, one baptism,*  
  
*Philippians 2:10–That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth; 11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.”*

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- I. We ALL Have ONE Faith! (*Ephesians 4:5*)**  
Jude calls it “*The Faith*.” Our singular commitment to Christ.

*Ephesians 4:5 One Lord, **one faith**, one baptism,*

- J. We ALL Have ONE Baptism! (*Ephesians 4:5*)**  
Our Baptism is by one Spirit into Christ!  
Immersion = The outward expression of the inward experience.

- K. We ALL Have ONE God And Father Of Us All!**  
*Ephesians 4:6 One God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.*

God, Who is our Father, keeps us for eternity!

- L. We ALL Have Been Gifted By God!**  
**(*Ephesians 4:7; 1 Corinthians 12:7, 18*)**  
*Ephesians 4:7 But unto every one of us is given grace according to the measure of the gift of Christ.*

*1 Corinthians 12:7– “But the manifestation of the Spirit is given to every man to profit withal.”*

*1 Corinthians 12:18–“But now hath God set the members every one of them in the body, as it hath pleased him.”*

**CONCLUSION**

No doubt there are other items we share in Christ!

We who are truly saved have a “*Common (Shared) Salvation*” which is uncommon in this world.