

Jude 08 - Sin Affects Every Aspect of Life

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Jude 7

Prologue - First Example: Judgment Begins with His People (1Pe 4:17-18)

- ▶ Judgment begins with those who know Truth {Attack from within}
 - ▶ This example presupposes False Teachers know the Bible
- ▶ Notice, Jude says Jesus visibly led the people out of Egypt
 - ▶ Consistent with John who wrote, no one has seen the Father at any time (Jn 1:18)
 - ▶ Jesus *saved* His people through miracles even against Pharaoh's chariots
 - ▶ But, when the people disbelieved Him, He judged them and only two people left the wilderness to enter Canaan: Joshua and Caleb; everyone else died (Nu 14:26-35; 26:63-65)
- ▶ Jesus holds them strictly accountable as they saw His miracles; no excuse
 - ▶ Pillar of Cloud {Day} and Fire {Night}
 - ▶ Parting of Sea of Reeds; they passed over dry ground; but not Pharaoh's army

Prologue - Second Example: Judgment on Those Who Believed-Sinned

- ▶ Jude's second example of False Teachers' characteristics are *fallen* angels
 - ▶ Christ created angels before Creation (Col 1:15-20)
- ▶ Angels have **One** guiding mission: Serve {Deacon} those to be Saved (Ac 6:1-7; He 1:14)
 - ▶ Satan, highest of all angels, resented Christ's position as Son to the Father (He 1:5-7)
 - ▶ Satan hated the plan to create Man in God's image; i.e., to be above him (He 1:8-13)
 - ▶ Satan rebelled; one-third of angels followed him becoming fallen angels: Demons (Is 14:12-17; Ez 28:11-19; Re 12:4a)
- ▶ The Angels *first* estate, duty, is to serve Salvation; all else is secondary (Ph 2:3-11)
 - ▶ Angels believe because they have seen Father and Son: Spirits (Jn 4:23-24; Ja 2:19)
 - ▶ Demons sought *freedom* for themselves rather than eternal service to Man
 - ▶ Demons rejected because they rejected Truth; "Not Fair!" (Ro 1:18-28; 1Jo 2:22-23; 2Jo 7-9)

Third Example: Every Aspect of Self Affected

- ▶ Third {Trinity-Completion} Example shows how every aspect of self altered by sin's rebellious rejection of Truth
 - ▶ Both previous examples overlap: Unbelief of Truth and Rebellion intertwined; one begets the other {Both sides of sin's coin}
 - ▶ First example showed being God's people did not negate obedience; instead, it greater obedience expected as one has experienced Truth (He 10:24-31; 1Pe 4:17-18)
 - ▶ Second example showed spirit beings not exempt for sin's effects; indeed, their greater accountability revealed by having no salvation, no hope
- ▶ Third example shows Man retraining his/her body for uses not intended; a perversion of open rebellion: Rejecting "Be fruitful" command (Ge 1:28; 9:1, 7; 11:1-4)
 - ▶ Today's LGBTQA+ rejects this Truth substituting Man's effort to produce asexuality of eternity future but in sinful flesh; especially via Trans-Posthumanism (Mk 12:24-25)

Sodom and Gomorrah: Example of Sin's Ravages - Saved & Lost

- ▶ Sodom, Gomorrah and their vassal cities of the plain exemplify this rebellion (Ge 18:20-21; 19:1-29)
 - ▶ Christ investigates the charges, judgment based on fact; their own *works*
 - ▶ Men, predominately, engage in homosexuality even to violence against strangers
 - ▶ Women, also affected, displayed by Lot's daughters willing to engage in sex with drunken Lot to produce families {Ammon and Moab} (Ge 19:30-38)
 - ▶ Lot's wife displayed greater concern for her people than her own soul's-family's safety; she followed her heart rather than protect her daughters (Mt 6:21-24)
 - ▶ Lot affected by his decision to *befriend* sin; he was to protect his daughters but instead offered them to protect the *strangers* {angels} {Acted like Abraham-Sarah}
 - ▶ Lot did not earn mercy; God showed him mercy in response to Abraham's prayers which is why Sodom and not Babylon or Sumer, which Abram had left (Ge 18:17-19)

Metaphor of Sin's Fruit: Complete Hatred of God

- ▶ These cities had three witnesses to Truth which they ignored or perverted
 - ▶ King-Priest of Salem {Melchizedek} - Rule of his city following God's Truth, Faith in Salvation, stood in stark contrast to the debauchery of these cities (Ge 14:17-24)
 - ▶ Abraham's refusal to come under their influence because he belonged to God
 - ▶ Lot who sat in their gate spoke from godly values; however, they slowly influenced him through marriage which diluted his testimony: They despised him and God by their own words



Metaphor of Sin's End: Judgment of Fire

- ▶ Angels were Christ's eyes and ears validating Christ's omniscience (Nu 35:30; De 19:15)
 - ▶ Christ does not rely on His omniscience as only one witness; bound by His Law
 - ▶ Testimony by the two angels provides second-third witnesses (Re 5:6)
 - ▶ One's own thoughts, words and deeds corroborates the witnesses (Tit 1:15; Re 20:11-15)
- ▶ Having ignored three witnesses, and their own consciences, Sodom suffered Christ's judgment {Old Testament pattern} (Ro 2:15; 1Co 10:1-11)
 - ▶ God's mercy prevented all from suffering same fate giving them a lifetime to repent; those who reject God's mercy will be judged at White Throne (Re 20:11-15)
 - ▶ Christ uses observable outward behavior to illustrate Truth of inward invisible sin (Lk 5:17-26)
 - ▶ Lost do not *fear God's judgment*; they embrace their sin searing their consciences (Lk 23:39-43; 1Ti 4:1-2)

LGBTQA+: Unforgivable Sin?

- ▶ False Dilemma argument seeks to equate LGBTQA+ as Christian's unforgivable sin which the Bible **never** says
 - ▶ All sin is forgivable except: Dying without the Gospel; there is no salvation after soul separates from the body (Mt 12:31-32; Mk 3:28-30)
 - ▶ Your Sin nature condemns You to Fire, not the behaviors flowing from this nature which only demonstrate your Lostness
- ▶ LGBTQA+ violent behaviors demonstrate acceptance of one's degradation
 - ▶ Sodom's practitioners violently sought to degrade others
 - ▶ Today's practitioners eagerly display their degradation before children and justify violence to advance their sin as *normal*
 - ▶ *Men becoming women* removes women as people; achieving ultimate goal for saved in New Earth: Seeks to bypass judgment even to replacing flesh with technology

False Teachers: Call Good as Evil and Evil as Good

- ▶ Sodom-Gomorrah metaphor of False Teachers who self-justify their sin(s)
 - ▶ They call good as evil and evil as good (Is 5:20-21)
 - ▶ They have some knowledge of the Truth but deny God of Truth (2Ti 3:1-5)
 - ▶ They seek a home in this Creation, which is passing away (He 1:10-12; 11:8-16; 1Jo 2:15-17)
 - ▶ Their god is their belly {sensuality} (Ph 3:17-19)
- ▶ Not enough to self-justify; they need disciples making them children of fire (Mt 23:13-15)
 - ▶ They reject God's Bible Truths preferring instead pleasures of sin (He 11:24-25)
 - ▶ They prey on the gullible who covet, worship, worldly Control (Ja 4:1-4)
 - ▶ Wolves in clothes made from sheep (Mt 7:15-20)
- ▶ False Teachers do not naturally seek or want repentance; they are Apollyons