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JUDE: CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

GOD'S JUDGMENT ON FALSE TEACHERS

JUDE 4-5

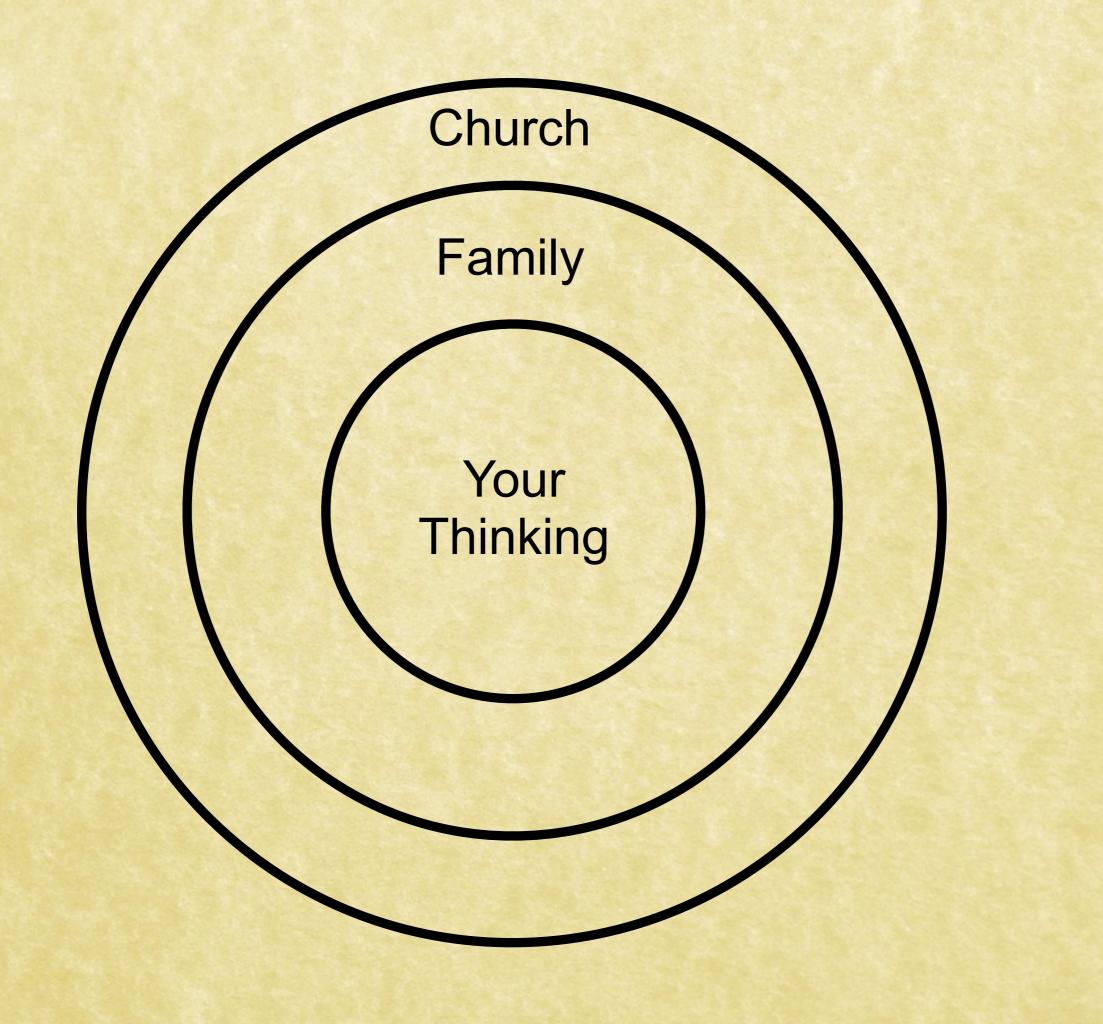


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ἐπαγωνίζομαι *epagōnízomai*; Present Pass (deponent) Inf.

"to strive, contend earnestly; to exert intense effort on behalf of something, contend."



The Basis of Knowledge

Ø	SYSTEM	STARTING POINT	METHOD
System	RATIONALISM	Innate ideas Faith in human ability	Independent use of logic & reason
utonomous of Percept	EMPIRICISM	Sense perceptions External experience; Scientific method; Faith in human ability	Independent use of logic & reason
nt	MYSTICISM	Inner, private experience; intuition Faith in human ability	Independent, nonlogical, nonrational, nonverifiable.
Divine Viewpoi	REVELATION	Objective revelation of God	Dependent use of logic and reason

2 Cor. 10:2, "But I beg you that when I am present I may not be bold with that confidence by which I intend to be bold against some, who think of us as if we walked according to the flesh.

2 Cor. 10:3, "For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh."

2 Cor. 10:4, "For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds,

2 Cor. 10:5, "casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ,"

The Opponents in Jude

- "Godless men" (v. 4)
- They "change the grace of our God into a license for immorality" (v. 4)
- They "deny Jesus Christ" (v. 4)
- Like Sodom, they are given to sexual immorality (v. 7)
- They are "dreamers" who "pollute their own bodies" (v. 8)
- "Like unreasoning animals" they destroy themselves (v. 10)
- "Blemishes at your love feasts" (v. 12)
- "Shepherds who feed only themselves" (v. 12)
- "Clouds without rain" (v. 12)
- "Trees without fruit" (v. 12)
- "Wild waves of the sea, foaming up their shame" (v. 13)
- "Wandering stars, for whom blackest darkness has been reserved" (v. 13)
- "Grumblers" (v. 16)
- "Faultfinders" (v. 16)
- Boasting about themselves (v. 16)
- "Scoffers who ... follow their own ungodly desires" (v. 18)
- They "do not have the spirit" (v. 19)
- They "flatter others for their own advantage" (v. 16)
- They are people "who divide you" (v. 19)

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ἀσεβής asebēs nom masc sing ungodly, i.e., without God – a term used for unbelievers

Rom. 4:5, "But to him who does not work but believes on Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is accounted for righteousness,"

Rom. 5:6, "For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly."

- 2 Pet. 2:5, "and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, one of eight people, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the flood on the world of the ungodly;
- 2 Pet. 2:6, "and turning the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah into ashes, condemned them to destruction, making them an example to those who afterward would live ungodly;"
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ἀσέλγεια aselgeia acc fem sing

"sensuality, licentiousness; lack of self-constraint which involves one in conduct that violates all bounds of what is socially acceptable, selfabandonment" 2 Pet. 2:1, "But there were also false prophets among the people, even as there will be false teachers among you, who will secretly bring in destructive heresies, even denying the Lord who bought them, and bring on themselves swift destruction."

Jude 5, "But I want to remind you, though you once knew this, that the Lord, having saved the people out of the land of Egypt, afterward destroyed those who did not believe."