

Series: Jude Passage: Jude: 1:5

**Title:** The Dangers of Apostasy (Part 2) **Speaker:** Pastor David Menard, 3/3/2024

**Discussion Starter** – Jude's first example of the Apostate's Horrific Fate is Unbelieving Israel. How do you think that the example of Unbelieving Israel ties into Jude's warning of the men who have crept in unnoticed by the church in verse 4? How does this also point to the dangers of Apostasy?

## Read Jude 1:4-5, Numbers 13:31-32; 14:1-4; 14:11

- 1) What do you think Jude is conveying to us by using these Old Testament examples?
- 2) How did God deliver Israel from Egypt? Why do you think it was so easy for them at this time to follow Moses who was directed by God?
- 3) What is the difference you see, between in the faith that the Israelite's had in trusting God by placing the blood of the lamb over their doorposts, as compared to not going into the promised land He had prepared for them?
- 4) Why do you think God saved the people out of the land of Egypt but afterwards destroyed those who did not believe? Read Deuteronomy 8:1-10. What additional insights do these verses give us on the goodness of God and His plan for the Israelite nation?
- 5) How would you describe what the difference is between believing in God and knowing Him?
- 6) Explain what you think the "Entering in to "The Promise Land" means for us today as Christians?
  - a) Why do you believe God tests us, and how has your faith been tested by God?
  - b) What is God showing you or challenging you now to grow in your faith? Read Hebrews 11:6 for insights.
  - c) What is the "Promise Land" that God wants for you? How can you attain it?
- 7) Israel believed God, but they did not know Him, and they did not trust Him. Describe in your own words, what it looks like for you as a Christian to know God and to trust Him. What are some of the promises from His Word that you hold on to that help keep you solid in your faith?
- 8) Why do you think Jude is warning those who already truly believe and know God? What dangers are they facing if any? How does this apply to us today?