

**Contend For the Faith Part 2**  
**“Choices”**  
**Jude 1:8-25**

**Jude 1:8-10**

Jude is continuing to build his case on why we need to **choose** to contend for the faith.

The first choice is to yield to or reject God’s **authority**.

Michael the Archangel made the decision to **yield** to God’s authority when he called for the LORD to rebuke the devil.

When mankind operates under their **own** authority, they are no better than the wild animals.

**Jude 1:11-13**

**Genesis 4:1-16 ~ CAIN**

Cain gave himself over to **jealousy** and **anger**.

Balaam gave himself over to the lust for **wealth** and personal **gain**.

**Numbers 16:3 & 8-11~ KORAH**

Korah gave himself over to **self-promotion** and **rebellion**.

The second choice we have is to **live** for or **die** to self.

The desire for self, lead to Cain **kill**ing his brother.

The desire for self, lead to Balaam **seeking** wealth over the LORD.

The desire for self, lead to Korah **rebell**ing and missing out on his God given duties.

The message of these “certain men” was **empty**.

The third choice is to **persevere** in the faith or **crumble** in the face of ungodliness.

Jude is reminding the saints of their **assignment**.

The assignment is to be **faithful**.

The assignment is to be **alert**.

The assignment is to **stand firm**.

The assignment is to lead with **TRUTH**.

Jude is echoing the **words** that Jesus preached to the disciples.

And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another. And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. But the one who endures to the end will be saved. And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come. **Matthew 24:10-14**