

“Hey, Jude” - Bible Study Basics (9/1/24)

Main Verses: Jude 3

Key Verse: Jude 3

'Takeaway': God has called us to **not only** receive his grace and follow his Son, but as we do, to stand up with truth when others want to twist what God has said about these good gifts.

Getting Started: What do you think of when you hear the phrase “burden-bearer? Have you ever had to stand up for something?



READ Jude 3 (or have older kids help read).

Some **QUESTIONS** to consider:

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Here are some **IMPORTANT IDEAS** we discover in these verses:

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An **ENCOURAGEMENT** in light of God's word:

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