

There are four great chapters in the Bible of Christology that describe Christ exclusively. John chapter 1, Hebrews chapter 1, Philippians chapter 2, and Colossians chapter 1.

If you read those, you know about Jesus Christ.

Hebrews 1:3: “And He is the radiance of His glory and the exact representation of His nature and upholds all things by the word of His power. When He had made purification of sins, He sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high,” (NASB)

Hebrews 8:1: “Now the main point in what has been said is this: we have such a high priest, who has taken His seat at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens,” (NASB)

“*Doxa*” and “*megalōsýnē*” are closely related. And Christ is the exact representation of His nature.

Jesus Christ possesses all the attributes of God. He is God. He is the second person of the Trinity, the exact representation of His nature, and He upholds all things by the word of His power. One word and this universe came into existence. That's the power of God.

Not only is He the Creator, but He is the sustainer of the universe. Surely, we can abuse it, but it will never be destroyed until He destroys it.

Jesus Christ is in the throne room of God. Of course, we know God is omnipresent, but Jesus Christ is localized in part as his humanity, resurrected humanity, in the throne room of God, on the right hand of God.

He is, as God, majesty. He is the Son of God and, as such, is majesty. He possesses all that God is and has. He is God. So, in that sense, Jude also describes him as having “dominion.”

We have another Nominative Singular Neuter noun “*κράτος*” – “*krátos*.” “*Krátos*” means “power,” “ruling power,” one who has “dominion” over all.

1. It is the ruler who has dominion. The glorious King of Kings. He is the ruler.

2. Only Christ has the right to rule eternally over His creation, including you.
3. If He is majesty, He also has dominion over His domain, which is the universe.

Therefore, He will reign as the ultimate objective in the plan of the Father. He is the King who will reign over Israel in the millennium, the thousand-year promised kingdom to Israel.

Next, we have the conjunction “καί” – “kai” with the nominative singular feminine noun “ἐξουσία” – “*exousía*” translated generally translated as “power.”

1. “*Exousía*” is power.
2. The omnipotence of God in Christ to create the universe and hold it together is power. Unimaginable power. Think of nuclear weapons; that's great power that is contained in the atoms that are bombarded and explode.
3. He has sovereign authority over all creation. And He has all these characteristics when?

“Before all” in eternity past. There was never a time that He was not this “now” in human history. That's what “now” is and forever eternity future. In other words, He always was, He always is, and He always will be. He is Alpha and He is Omega.

Jude 25: “to the only God our Savior through Jesus Christ our Lord: glory, majesty, dominion, and absolute authority before all time, now, and forever. Amen.” (EXT)

1. Jesus Christ is our Savior, the glorious God and creator of the universe, who will reign over all the earth and all the heavens.
2. Can He not deliver believers from the effects of false teachers? See, when you get this “global perspective of God,” who He is, what He can do, and all that He has given us, can He not deliver us, preserve us?
3. Can He not guard and protect us in life until we stand before Him?

4. That is your guarantee. He has to preserve us to stand before Him. Will we die? Of course we will die. But He preserves us in this life in the ways that Jude has described, and God preserves us through our salvation for eternity.
5. So, as we are in Christ, all of us, there is confidence in experiential and eternal victory.

Jude puts down his pen at this point. He has fulfilled his desire to write to the churches, commending doctrine, their defense against false teaching.

He wants to provide for them confidence and joy and assurance in clinging to, as it says early on in Jude, “their most holy faith, Bible doctrine.”

#### SOME FINAL POINTS ON JUDE:

1. We saw that just because Jude is one of the shortest books in the Bible, it was very impactful and spoke to the current zeitgeist in our country today.
2. Jude was humble and a bond-servant of the Lord Jesus Christ.
3. Few books in the New Testament have more to say to our generation than the Letter of Jude.
4. Those who want to distort the Word of God and teach heresy will find the letter of Jude to be very distasteful.
5. This is because of its warnings and uncompromising stance against defectors from the truth of Jesus Christ.
6. Jude’s words speak as clearly and forcefully today as they did almost two thousand years ago.
7. Many believers forget the importance of truth, but Satan never does. Ever since the fall, the father of lies (John 8:44) has done everything in his power to destroy, hide, and twist the truth, constantly attempting to replace it with falsehood and deception.

8. We've learned his deadliest attacks do not come from those who openly reject the truth, but rather from those who profess to know and believe the truth, but lie.
9. Satan's most effective agents are spiritual terrorists, who secretly infiltrate the church where they pass themselves off as genuine shepherds (Pastors).
10. Jude commanded our attention with his appeals for defending the faith and growing in grace.
11. It is notable that with all the blunt descriptions of false teachers, Jude does not command us to confront these troublemakers, only to avoid them. He simply indicates they are under the condemnation of God.
12. We learned that not only Jude, but Jesus Christ and Paul warn us of the dangers false teachers pose to the Church. Matthew 7:15, 24:11; Acts 20:29; 1 Timothy 4:1
13. Peter and John also warned of spiritual pretenders. 2 Peter 2, 3; 1 John 4:1-3; 2 John 7; Revelation 2:14-15, 20-24
14. Jude's letter was a forceful condemnation of the Pastor-Teachers who were infiltrating the church in his day, and, by extension, all who were yet to come.
15. In most churches in our country today, truth is considered relative, and tolerance is prized above all else. Especially the accurate teaching of the Word of God.
16. The pastors in this country are failing to teach Bible Doctrine and non-maturing believers are losing impact in the nation. We are losing our "salt and light" principle on this country because there are many who are not growing up spiritually.
17. There are lots of people out there who are blaming a lot of things on the degeneration of the United States of America. Politics, politicians, policies, etc., but Jude lays the problems in the United States right at the feet of Pastors and believers.

18. This results from the servants of the Lord becoming self-serving, apostate, (and by extension believers as well) and they depart from all divine viewpoint. They especially distort and denigrate the grace of God, which is at the heart of Christianity and Bible doctrine.
19. Jude points out that there is no grace or doctrinal orientation which is the heart of Christianity and the heart of individual spiritual maturity.
20. The church, its leaders, and the church body become apostate, heretical, stupid, going nowhere, causing no effect for Christ in this world.
21. Where there is little doctrine, then comes a vacuum. A vacuum in the soul of individual believers as well as the culture in general.
22. It's not just a vacuum in believers, it's a vacuum in the soul of everybody. Christianity and Divine Establishment has an effect on all of society when it's not functioning.
23. Since we are losing our Christian impact on the marriage, the family, protection for Israel, there is a vacuum in our culture as well as a vacuum in the soul of many believers. Into that vacuum rushes ignorance, rejection, degeneracy, and humanism.
24. Contemporary culture is becoming indifferent to the question of truth. We live in a relative society.
25. It is doctrinally oriented believers who are the source of divine blessings for the nation, but when believers reject the spiritual legacy of Bible doctrine, and they begin to disappear from the scene as a spiritual force for good for effect on the country, destruction of that nation as a world power and a free people follows.
26. The client nation status to God will be lost just as it was for Israel when they quite often abandoned the Lord for whatever other religion or cult or whatever they got into, and they became a nation under the cycles of discipline. That is where we are at and where we are heading in this nation.
27. Jude laid it out clear as day in his short, but impactful letter. False teachers, apostate teachers, Pastors not doing their job!!

## DOCTRINES CONTAINED IN THE LETTER OF JUDE

<b>Doctrine</b>	<b>Verse</b>
<b>Doctrine of Eternal Security</b>	<b>Vs 1</b>
<b>Doctrine of Love</b>	<b>Vs.2</b>
<b>Doctrine of Salvation</b>	<b>Vs. 3</b>
<b>Doctrine of Divine Decrees</b>	<b>Vs. 4</b>
<b>Doctrine of Grace</b>	<b>Vs. 4 and 11</b>
<b>Doctrine of Great White Throne Judgement</b>	<b>Vs. 6</b>
<b>Doctrine of Homosexuality</b>	<b>Vs. 7</b>
<b>Doctrine of Authority</b>	<b>Vs. 8</b>
<b>Doctrine of Angels</b>	<b>Vs. 9</b>
<b>Doctrine of the Angelic Conflict</b>	<b>Vs. 9</b>
<b>Doctrine of Divine Inspiration</b>	<b>Vs. 9</b>
<b>Doctrine of Humility</b>	<b>Vs. 9</b>
<b>Doctrine of the Nephilim</b>	<b>Vs. 7</b>
<b>Doctrine of Arrogance</b>	<b>Vs. 11</b>
<b>Doctrine of Money</b>	<b>Vs. 11</b>
<b>Doctrine of Reversionism</b>	<b>Vs. 13</b>
<b>Doctrine of the Blackout of the Soul</b>	<b>Vs. 13 and 23</b>