

## Lesson 9 – Other Epistles: *I & II Peter and Jude*

### A. I Peter

1. Author: Peter (1:1). See Mt 4:18; 10:2; 14:28; 16:13,22; 18:21; 19:27; 26:58ff; Acts 2 & 10.
2. Readers: Christians throughout Asia Minor (1:1)
3. Time of Writing: Slightly before AD 64, based on the history of Roman persecution
4. Purpose & Themes: Exhort Christians to endure persecution: Suffering → Glory; and Blameless behavior before the World
5. Outline – Match the section descriptions with the references from I Peter.

<u>Section</u>	<u>Section Description</u>
___ 1:1-2	a. Suffering as a Christian
___ 1:3-12	b. Conclusions
___ 1:13-2:10	c. Introduction (author & readers)
___ 2:11-3:12	d. Exhortation to shepherds & soldiers
___ 3:13-4:19	e. The Great Salvation
___ 5:1-11	f. Character products of the Great Salvation
___ 5:12-13	g. Duties of the Christian in all relationships

6. Use the outline above to find the chapter in I Peter from which these quotations are taken.
  - \_\_\_ “Since you have purified your souls in obeying the truth through the Spirit in sincere love of the brethren, love one another fervently with a pure heart,”
  - \_\_\_ “Beloved, do not think it strange concerning the fiery trial which is to try you...”
  - \_\_\_ “Servants, be submissive to your masters with all fear, not only to the good and gentle, but also to the harsh.”
  - \_\_\_ “Likewise you wives, be submissive to your own husbands, that even if some do not obey the word, they, without a word, may be won by the conduct of their wives.”
  - \_\_\_ “Shepherd the flock of God which is among you, serving as overseers, not be constraint but willingly, not for dishonest gain but eagerly...”
  - \_\_\_ “...searching what, or what manner of time, the Spirit of Christ who was in them was indicating when He testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ and the glories that would follow.”
7. List the causes (2:16; 3:13-15) & types (4:4; 3:16; 2:12; 4:14) of persecution discussed.

### B. II Peter

1. Author: Peter (see above)
2. Readers: Same as I Peter (see II Pet 3:1)
3. Time of Writing: After I Peter, and before 70 AD.
4. Purpose & Themes: *Reminder* of the Faith & warning (prediction) against False Teachers.
5. Outline – Match the section descriptions with the references from II Peter.

<u>Section</u>	<u>Section Description</u>
___ 1:1-2	a. Certain Foundations
___ 1:3-11	b. Conclusions
___ 1:12-21	c. False Teachers Predicted & Described
___ 2:1-22	d. Reminder of the Lord’s Coming
___ 3:1-16	e. Call to Growth
___ 3:17-18	f. Introduction

6. Use the outline above to find the chapter in II Peter from which these quotations are taken.

\_\_\_\_\_ “For we did not follow cunningly devised fables when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of His majesty.”

\_\_\_\_\_ “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...”

\_\_\_\_\_ “Therefore, since all these things will be dissolved, what manner of persons ought you to be in holy conduct and godliness”

\_\_\_\_\_ “...His divine power has given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him who called us by glory and virtue...”

7. List the likely tenets (2:19; 3:4; 1:21; 2:1) and appeal (2:3, 10, 18, 3:3) of the false teaching.

<u>Tenets</u>	<u>Appeal</u>
2:19	2:3
3:4	2:10
1:21	2:18
2:1	3:3

### C. Jude

1. Author: Jude, the brother of Jesus (Mark 6:3?)
2. Readers: Christians (in Judea?)
3. Time of Writing: After II Peter (see Jude 17-18), between 68 and 80 AD.
4. Purpose & Themes: Encourage Christians to resist false teachers
5. Outline – Match the section descriptions with the references from Jude.

<u>Section</u>	<u>Section Description</u>
_____ 1-4	a. False Teachers Described & Denounced
_____ 5-7	b. Enoch’s Prophecy & Apostle’s Warning
_____ 8-13	c. Introduction & Purpose
_____ 14-16	d. Example of God’s Past Judgments
_____ 17-19	e. The Protection: Be built up & save others
_____ 20-25	f. Reminder of apostolic warnings

6. Use the outline above to find the verse in Jude from which these quotations are taken.

\_\_\_\_\_ “...I found it necessary to write to you exhorting you to contend earnestly for the faith which was once for all delivered to the saints”

\_\_\_\_\_ “...remember the words which were spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ: how they told you that there would be mockers in the last time...”

\_\_\_\_\_ “And on some have compassion, making a distinction; but others save with fear, pulling them out of the fire,[e] hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.”

7. List the likely tenets (4, 7, 8, 10, 18) and appeal/character (16, 8, 6, 15) of the false teaching.

<u>Tenets</u>	<u>Appeal</u>
4	16
7	8
8	6
10	15
18	