Contending for the Faith 10-6-2019

Jude, a servant of Jesus Christ and brother of James, to those who are called, beloved in God the Father and kept for Jesus Christ: May mercy, peace, and love be multiplied to you. Jude 1-2

Beloved, although I was very eager to write to you about our common salvation, I found it necessary to write appealing to you to <u>contend for the faith</u> that was once for all delivered to the saints. Jude 3

For certain people have crept in unnoticed who long ago were designated for this condemnation, ungodly people, who pervert the grace of our God into sensuality and deny our only Master and Lord, Jesus Christ. Jude 4

WHAT YOU BELIEVE DETERMINES HOW YOU BEHAVE.

(The devil) was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the <u>truth</u>, for there is <u>no truth in</u> <u>him</u>. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the <u>father of lies</u>. John 8:44b

Relativism—assumption that there is no such thing as absolute <u>truth</u>.

Subjectivism—I, the subject, have the right to determine what is right and wrong without submitting my judgment to any <u>authority</u> outside myself.

The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of men who <u>suppress the truth by their wickedness</u>...Although they claimed to be wise, <u>they became fools</u>... They exchanged the truth of God <u>for a lie</u>... Romans 1:18, 22, 25