## Contend For the Faith Contend Against False Brothers & Sisters Discussion Questions Jude 11-13

Woe to them! For they walked in the way of Cain and abandoned themselves for the sake of gain to Balaam's error and perished in Korah's rebellion. 12These are hidden reefs at your love feasts, as they feast with you without fear, shepherds feeding themselves; waterless clouds, swept along by winds; fruitless trees in late autumn, twice dead, uprooted; 13wild waves of the sea, casting up the foam of their own shame; wandering stars, for whom the gloom of utter darkness has been reserved forever.

## Cain, Balaam, and Korah

- 1. Discuss Romans 15:4 and why the things of the Old Testament still have meaning for us today.
- 2. Discuss the trinity of errors Jude presents by mentioning Cain, Balaam, and Korah in Jude 11. Why do you think Jude mentioned these three specifically?
- 3. Discuss the gravity of the situation when Jude says "Woe to them!"

## You Will Know them by their Fruits

- 4. Discuss the imagery of a "hidden reef" found in Jude 12. What is Jude's warning?
- 5. Pastor Roger listed five different characteristics of these false believers. Discuss them. Use Jude 12-13, Proverbs 8:13, Ezekiel 34:1-4, and Proverbs 25:14 as guides.
- 6. Compare what Jude says will come of these false believers with what Jesus said in Matthew 7:17-20. Discuss the severity of this warning.

## Make God's Mission Your Mission

- 7. Why do you think false believers are able to exert so much influence on believers?
- 8. Discuss ways that we can keep "the main thing the main thing" in our lives.
- 9. Discuss the protection that is built into the way of faith. Use Proverbs 2:6-8 as a guide.