Jude 10-13

10 - "But these people blaspheme all that they do not understand, and they are destroyed by all that they, like unreasoning animals, understand instinctively."

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- 1. Two areas of their life:
 - a. Spiritual, unseen world of angels in this world "these people blaspheme all that they do not understand."
 - i. They think they are experts on the spiritual dimension
 - ii. They have dreams they believe give them insight into the unseen dimension
 - iii. In reality they are clueless concerning this spiritual world.
 - iv. Their teaching is blasphemous
 - b. Physical, temporal, visible world of flesh in this world their understanding is instinctive since they are natural men living natural lives in natural bodies.
 - i. They fully understand the physical world
 - ii. They instinctively know how to exploit the physical senses for pleasure and selfgratification
 - iii. But, they have no guidance from either divine general revelation or divine special revelation (word of God), so they are living their human lives like unreasoning animals. They are merely pleasure seeking, self-gratifying beasts.
 - iv. Jude says concerning this world, "they are destroyed by all that they, like unreasoning animals, understand instinctively."

11 – "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.

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- 1. Jude supports verse 10 with three individuals from the OT (the previous triad of OT examples supporting verse 4 was groups from the OT identifies in verses 5-7.)
 - a. Cain
 - i. Genesis 4;4, 5, 9
 - ii. 1 John 3:12 –
 "We should not be like Cain, who was of the evil one and murdered his brother. And why did he murder him? Because his own deeds were evil and his brother's righteous."
 - iii. Cain was a murderer, but it does not appear Jude's apostates are murdering
 - iv. Other character flaws of Cain listed in the OT, Philo, Targum and Josephus are unloving, envious, opposite of faith and instructed others in wicked practices.
 - 1. The Targum (the paraphrase/explanation/interpretation of the Hebrew text of the Jewish Scriptures) quotes Cain as saying, "There is no judgement, no judge, no future life; no good reward will be given to the righteous, nor will judgment be inflicted on the wicked."
 - v. But, Jude uses the phrase "way of Cain"
 - 1. The verb poreuomai indicates a moral or religious "walk"
 - 2. Devised his own way of worship
 - 3. Manufactured religion which slays the souls of men.
 - b. Balaam
 - i. Numbers 22-24 Balaam could not curse Israel, they were secure in God's love.
 - ii. Numbers 31:16 Balaam taught Israel how to sin
 - iii. Balaam manipulated God's people, God's grace and God's judgment to gain financially
 - iv. Two words:
 - 1. "Error" *plane* –
 - 2. "They have rushed" is passive of *ekcheo* meaning "pour on" or "abandoned themselves"
 - v. Used the church for financial and personal gain
 - c. Korah
 - i. Numbers 16
 - ii. Korah rebelled against God's established authority
 - iii. Rebelled against church authority
 - iv. The fate of the apostates of 55 AD is set firm. It can be spoken of as complete.
 - 1. "been destroyed" is *apolonto* aorist tense which speaks of a completed action
- 2. The three examples are combined with their error which is the error being followed by the heretics in Jude's churches:
 - a. "<u>way</u> of Cain"
 - b. "<u>error</u> of Balaam"
 - c. "<u>rebellion</u> of Korah"



12 – "These 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;

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- 1. New Testament revolts in churches:
 - a. 1 Timothy 1:20 (1:18-20) -

"This charge I entrust to you, Timothy, my child, in accordance with the prophecies previously made about you, that by them you may wage the good warfare, holding faith and a good conscience. By rejecting this, some have made shipwreck of their faith, among whom are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have handed over to Satan that they may learn not to blaspheme."

b. 2 Timothy 3:1-9 -

"But understand this, that in the last days there will come times of difficulty. For people will be lovers of self, lovers of money, proud, arrogant, abusive, disobedient to their parents, ungrateful, unholy, heartless, unappeasable, slanderous, without self-control, brutal, not loving good, treacherous, reckless, swollen with conceit, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, having the appearance of godliness, but denying its power. Avoid such people. For among them are those who creep into households and capture weak women, burdened with sins and led astray by various passions, always learning and never able to arrive at a knowledge of the truth. Just as Jannes and Jambres opposed Moses, so these men also oppose the truth, men corrupted in mind and disqualified regarding the faith. But they will not get very far, for their folly will be plain to all, as was that of those two men."

c. Titus 1:10-11 –

"For there are many who are insubordinate, empty talkers and deceivers, especially those of the circumcision party. They must be silenced, since they are upsetting whole families by teaching for shameful gain what they ought not to teach."

d. Titus 3:10-11 -

"But avoid foolish controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels about the law, for they are unprofitable and worthless. As for a person who stirs up division, after warning him once and then twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is warped and sinful; he is self-condemned."

e. 3 John 8-10 -

"Therefore we ought to support people like these, that we may be fellow workers for the truth. I have written something to the church, but Diotrephes, who likes to put himself first, does not acknowledge our authority. So if I come, I will bring up what he is doing, talking wicked nonsense against us. And not content with that, he refuses to welcome the brothers, and also stops those who want to and puts them out of the church."

f. Revelation 2-3

13 - "wild 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."

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