



Part 6 “Contend for the Faith”

2 Thessalonians 3:1 “Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may quickly spread and be glorified, even as it did with you. ² And pray that we may be delivered from unreasonable and wicked men, for **not all men have faith.**”

Jude 1:3 “Beloved, while I diligently tried to write to you of the salvation we have in common, I found it necessary to write and appeal to you to contend for the faith which was once delivered to the saints. ⁴ For there are some men who secretly crept in, who were marked long ago for this condemnation. They are ungodly men, who pervert the grace of our God into immorality and deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ.”

The Religious Spirit: False Salvation and Hypocrisy

Matthew 7:21 “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but **he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven.** ²² Many will say to Me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonderful works in Your name?’ ²³ But then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you. Depart from Me, you who practice evil.’”

The two groups of people: never saved, or those that walked away from the Lord

Tares among the wheat: 1 John 2:19 “They went out from us, but they were not of us, for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have remained with us. But they went out, revealing that none of them were of us.”

Apostate: 2 Thessalonians 2:3 “Do not let anyone deceive you in any way. For that Day will not come unless a **falling away comes first** (apostasy), and the man of sin is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴ who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or is worshipped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself as God.” Revelation 3:5 “He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments. **I will not blot his name out of the Book of Life**, but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.”

Religious Deception: 1 Timothy 4:1 “Now the Spirit clearly says that in the last times some will depart from the faith and pay attention to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils, ² speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their consciences seared with a hot iron.” The heresy of hyper-calvinism, hyper-grace, and once saved always saved.

The fruit of a religious spirit:

- Anti-freedom in worship, anointing of Holy Spirit, and revival
- Unrighteous judgment, criticism, and debating
- Structure of death and infirmity
- No power of God present for people to receive what they need

Luke 5:17 “On a certain day, as He was teaching, Pharisees and teachers of the law were sitting nearby, who had come from every town of Galilee and Judea and from Jerusalem. And the **power of the Lord was present to heal the sick.**” 1 Corinthians 4:20 “For the kingdom of God is not in word, but in power.”

- The pure gospel: fear of God and conviction
- The deliverance ministry is not heresy
- Healing is for today

Philippians 2:12 “Work out your salvation with fear and trembling.”

- Lawless: the mind you can call yourself a Christian, but live however you want.
- Legalism: oppressive rules, pet doctrines, and traditions of men

Prophetic Word from Kenneth Hagin Sr 1983:

"In this move, in this move, in this move that is about to come, and even you're in the edge of it now. It will not be altogether something new that you've never seen. **It will be a combination of everything you have seen put together, and then, plus a little bit more.** In this move of God that is just about to spring upon you, **there will be a manifestation of casting out demons that you haven't seen yet.** Now some have drawn back from casting out demons. The Spirit of God said, 'I began a move along that line a few years ago and men aborted the move. They mixed some of their own thinking in on it and they tried to control it, and do it according to pattern. And according to this way that we think it ought to be done.' But you haven't seen anything yet of what you're going to see in dealing with demons. For demons are let loose upon the earth, they're going about as never before because they know their time is short! And so in this multiplication, this advance of demon activity there will be the activity of the Holy Ghost. Demons that have harassed men, demons that held ministries in check will leave. And you have not seen yet what you will see in the area of dealing with demons, casting out demons, exercising authority over demons, and were about to step into it like you would step through a door into another room. **And secondly, saith the Spirit of God, "You have not seen the revival of divine healing that you're about to see.** oh yes you saw those that I raised up. You've seen men and women, mightily used of My Spirit. I sent them forth as a pilot program to try to train you. But many just looked at them and lifted them up, and some of them were lifted up in pride and the anointing left them. And some became money minded and lost the anointing. **But there will arise a group in this day that's a brand-new breed. They'll not be greedy of filthy lucre.** They'll not be wanting to attract attention unto themselves. They would care less whether God uses me. They'd rather God would use you. And God will not just use ministers, He'll use laymen. And there'll be a revival of divine healing such as you have not seen in your lifetime, or read about, or heard about, saith the Lord! And a revival of the supernatural, not only the supernatural in casting out devils. Not only the supernatural in healing the sick. Not only the supernatural in speaking with other tongues. But the supernatural in the realm of the seen realm. **Men will see the glory of God,** a cloud will hang over certain congregations, even the church building for days at a time. And everybody that passes by, sinner and saint alike will say, "Well what in the world is that? I've never seen anything like that." And there will be in other places, the fire of the Spirit...Oh yes, in the spirit realm some of us have seen it. In the spirit realm we've been conscious of the fire of God. But the fire will actually come into manifestation. And there'll be people, sinners as well as saints, that will see fire all over the heads of the people. There'll be people driving down the street, or down the highway and they'll see fire on top of the buildings. And they'll come and say, "What does all this mean?"

But you see the Lord will use signs of His presence to bring people in the last days, into the fullness of His Spirit, and into full salvation.

And signs, signs! What kinds of signs."