

JUDE: SPIRITUAL SCAMMERS

Jude 8-16

MESSAGE RECAP

This week, Jude warns the church about “spiritual scammers” – false teachers who deceive believers by twisting the truth. Just as financial scammers prey on the unaware, these individuals reject God’s authority and exploit the church for personal gain. They don’t just use one platform in a church but every platform that gets people listening to their message. His message is clear: believers must be alert, discerning, and willing to contend for the faith against those who lead others astray.

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. How are you...really?
2. After listening to the message, what stood out to you?
3. Spiritual Scammers Reject Authority: (Jude 8-11)
 - a. What does it mean to “reject authority,” and how do we see this attitude in our culture today?
 - b. How can we discern when someone is placing a person's experiences (dreams, options, etc.) above biblical truth?
 - c. In what areas of life do you find it difficult to submit to God’s authority?
4. Spiritual Scammers Consume, Not Contribute (Jude 12-13)
 - a. What do Jude’s metaphors (clouds without rain, fruitless trees, etc.) reveal about spiritual scammers?
 - b. How can we shift from being consumers to contributors in the church?
5. Spiritual Scammers Are Master Manipulators (Jude 14-16)
 - a. Why do you think people are drawn to grumbling, faultfinding, and flattery?
 - b. How can we guard against manipulative influences in our lives?
6. Which of the three warnings from Jude stands out to you the most, and why?
7. What practical steps can you take this week to strengthen your faith and remain alert to spiritual scammers?

PRAY

End your group time in prayer.