



**Life In Christ – The Need for Godly Guidance**

**Jude 1-25**

**Introduction**

- Fight! Contend! Do Battle! When false teachers emerge, when the truth of God is attacked, it is time to fight for the faith!
- When we fight for the faith, we need daily guidance and direction from the Spirit of God.

**1. Practical Guidance**

- Share a moment in your life where you needed guidance of any sort. How did you go about getting help or counsel?
- There are selfish attitudes and desires that fight against or practical needs every day. We need to be wise when making life decisions.

**2. Spiritual Guidance**

- As believers, we are faced with spiritual decisions everyday that we need to be aware of.
- We must be sensitive to the Holy Spirit to guide us.
- Unbelievers depend on human wisdom, driven by selfish needs cravings for self esteem, physical impulses, and present life planning. There is nothing eternal about their choices comma no urge to submit to their Creator, no consistent willingness to put others needs ahead of their own desires. Even in their highest moral behavior, they are driven from within where the spirit does not dwell.
- Believers depend on the Holy Spirit. We need to be careful not to allow our own personal desires to direct our decision-making process.

**3. Paying Attention to the Spirit.**

- a. Remember the words of the Lord (v. 17-18) → There is mans way and God’s way.
  - Matthew 5:3 - Blessed are the poor in spirit. (Humble, selfless, others oriented)
  - Matthew 5:4 – Blessed are those who mourn.
  - Matthew 5:5 – Blessed are the meek.
  - Matthew 5:6 – Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness.
  - Matthew 5:7 – Blessed are the merciful.
  - Matthew 5:8 – Blessed are the pure in heart.
  - Matthew 5:9 – Blessed are the peacemakers.
  - Matthew 5:10 – Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake.
- b. Pray in the Holy Spirit (v. 20)
- c. Keep in the Love of God (v. 21)

**Application:** \_\_\_\_\_

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