

Truth to Live For

1. Contend for the faith. Jude 3

- A. This faith –
the whole gospel message has been entrusted to our care.
- B. This faith – truth never changes.
Matthew 16:6, 12

2. Expose and oppose those who distort truth.

- A. Step one, they minimize the importance of absolute truth.
- B. Step two, they offer their version of truth.
1 Corinthians 5:6-8; 15:33

3. Pursue personal and corporate growth. Jude 20-21

Four Christian virtues are essential to this growth:

- 1) Growth must be in the faith – truth.
- 2) Growth is dependence on the help of the Spirit, seen clearly
in prayer. Eph 6:18
- 3) Growth requires love for God.
Love for God is obedience.
- 4) Growth requires hope or confidence in what God has
promised.

4. Truth is never devoid of mercy. Jude 22-23

Truth that promotes isolation for personal protection is not
truth at all. Truth embraces doubters and sinners.

Jude concludes his exhortation by reminding us that God is able.

Jude 24-25

- 1. to keep us from falling
- 2. to present us before His glorious presence
without sin/forgiven
with great joy