

Embrace
Holy
Living

RE- FLECTING GOD

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Jude 1-25

How easy it is to become disenchanted based on what we see and hear around us. The world scoffs at the thought of God, while promoting its own scandalous behavior?a recipe for dissatisfaction and disaster. Our Christian ancestors could relate. In their time, issues like sexual promiscuity, financial exploitation, godlessness and government corruption were all too common. Jude addressed the issue with this advice to believers: "Be merciful to those who doubt; save others by snatching them from the fire; to others show mercy, mixed with fear?hating even the clothing stained by corrupted flesh" (Jude 1:22-23).

Those who act immorally are lost souls in need of God's redeeming forgiveness and loving guidance. Since we, as Christians, are called to be the Body of Christ in our world, it would serve God's kingdom well if we not only lived out a holy lifestyle before others but also showed mercy and kindness to those still living in darkness?drawing them away from their own destruction, with hope that they may become our spiritual family.

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