

Religious but Unsaved
Study Outline – Grace Bible Chapel
Epistle of Jude Study – Jude 11
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Context: Jude has established those who have crept into the church unnoticed as those living in spiritual unreality. By their character they reject the Word of God. They act instead by instinct as unsaved men, because they desire their own way rather than God’s way (verses 8-10). In verse 11 Jude provides descriptive examples of how the unconverted act from history and why they are dangerous. These three examples of apostasy provide warning for today. Cain rejected God’s truth and way concerning salvation. His rejection was so passionate that it carried him to hatred, envy, and murder. Balaam rejected the appreciation and essence of God’s call to ministry. He was led, not by a love of the truth, or compassion for God’s people, but by personal greed. Korah led a rebellion against Moses, and thereby rejected God’s established authority. All of these were in rebellion, and they are types for us to understand and be alert to apostasy. There is a progressive trap to apostasy – “gone the way” – “rushed headlong” – and “perished in.” Each of these phrases shows the illogical blind nature of unbelief, and the terrible end for not only those who lead apostasy, but for all who fall prey to their influence.

Broad outline of the Epistle of Jude (underlined is the immediate context).

- I. Call to Awareness (1-4)
- II. Challenge from History (5-7)
- III. Church warned to discern (8-16)
 - A. Character of Apostasy (8-13, 16)
 - 5. Revile God’s Truth (10)
 - 6. Reject God’s Will and Way (11)

Key Words (11)

- Balaam
- Cain
- Korah
- way of
- rushed
- perished

Introduction:

6. Reject God’s Will and Way (verse 11)

a. Self-made Religion – Cain

b. Sacrilege – Balaam

c. Sedition – Korah

Conclusion:
