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Center Point Baptist Church
"Twice Dead"
Jude 1:7-13
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I. Jude warns of the apostates in the Church for two reasons.
   a. Like Sodom and Gomorrah
      1. Fornicators and going after strange flesh.
      2. Filthy Dreamers
      3. Despise Dominion
      4. Speaking Evil of Dignitaries
      5. We still have too many of these around today.
   b. Three more descriptions of the unbelieving, ungodly apostate.
      1. They are like Cain.
         a. Lack of Faith
         b. Lack of Righteousness
         c. Lack of Love
         d. We still have too many Cain's around today.
      2. Like Balaam
         a. Everything was for profit even his prophesying.
         b. Could be bought if the price was right.
         c. Still Balaam's in our midst today.
      3. They are gainsayers like Core (OT Korah)
         a. Not content to serve where God put him.
         b. Envious
         c. Contempt for Leaders
         d. Wanted glory, honor and privileges for himself
         e. Some still around today.
   c. How to deal with them.
      1. Michael and the devil illustrated – challenged him but gave final judgment to God.
      2. Verses 22 and 23 we will later discuss this.
   d. Problem with the mere mouth professors
      1. Spots on your feast – three in NT
         a. Love Feast
         b. Lord's Supper
         c. Feeding on the Bread of Life

2. Mouth Professors (No Fruit)
    a. Clouds with no water – Compare Church members to Clouds
        i. Cirrus Cloud – High and withdrawn, fluffy and icy and no rain
        ii. Cumulus – Massive, flat base, artist delight but no rain
        iii. Stratus – Great horizontal extension, low hovering but no rain
        iv. Nimbus – Uniform, gray and covering the entire sky and the rain that refreshes the earth
        v. To many Church members are clouds without water
            1. Jude says they are twice dead.
                a. Dead Now
                b. God in judgment will pluck them up by their roots
            2. These now live in shame.
            3. They are unstable.
                a. As the raging sea.
                b. As a wandering star.

Jude is saying:

1. Don’t be like the apostate.
2. Try to lead them to real faith.

Do you know God?