Help for Growing Part 2

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Jude wants to encourage the people to "contend for the faith"

His instructions to do this are found in verses 20-21

Review:

A. In them is found one command: "Keep yourselves in God's love"

The battlefront is **relational** first and foremost not intellectual

Have we lost our first love? Revelation 2:4-5

What to do?

B. Praying in the Holy Spirit. Why?

1. Because we are very limited in our understanding and seeing the big picture. The Holy Spirit is not.

2. We can go astray in our prayers and pray with the wrong motives and in selfishness. The Spirit of God will never go astray, always pure and always good.

3. The Holy Spirit helps us avoid meaningless prayers. Since the Spirit knows the heart of the Father He will always pray His will.

4. Without God there is no hope. Left to ourselves we will not pray effectively, we need God and He has given us His Spirit to lead us.

The third area that will help us grow in our love for the Lord.. **C.** "_____ up in your most holy faith"

Whose responsibility is this?

How does building up in the faith help us love God more?

Can't truly love God unless we _____

Building up in the faith happens by being...

_____and taking it _____

Jude would say: "_____"

Building up in your faith is learning about God

D. Know what lies ahead and wait for it

The ______of Jesus gives us a great future!

Think about this and let the future _____

Do you know Him?

Closing thoughts and action plans:

- 1. How much are you experiencing His love in your life? Changes that need to be made?
- 2. What are you doing to help you grow in your faith?

3. Take time to remind yourself of His great mercy and what it provides for the future.

What is God saying to you today?