

## **Abandoning Faith**

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1 Corinthians 10:12 So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don't fall!

1 Timothy 4:1-10 The Spirit clearly says that in later times some will abandon the faith and follow deceiving spirits and things taught by demons. 2 Such teachings come through hypocritical liars, whose consciences have been seared as with a hot iron. 3 They forbid people to marry and order them to abstain from certain foods, which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and who know the truth. 4 For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, 5 because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer. 6 If you point these things out to the brothers and sisters, you will be a good minister of Christ Jesus, nourished on the truths of the faith and of the good teaching that you have followed. 7 Have nothing to do with godless myths and old wives' tales; rather, train yourself to be godly. 8 For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come. 9 This is a trustworthy saying that deserves full acceptance. 10 That is why we labor and strive, because we have put our hope in the living God, who is the Savior of all people, and especially of those who believe.

- When the Spirit Speaks Listen
- Live Ready for The Lord's Return
- G.K. Chesterton: "When people stop believing in God, they don't believe in nothing; they believe in anything."

1 John 4:1 "Dear friends, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits to see whether they are from God, because many false prophets have gone out into the world."

Romans 12:2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.

You have to be discerning.

Colossians 2:16 "Therefore do not let anyone judge you by what you eat or drink, or with regard to a religious festival, a New Moon celebration or a Sabbath day."

• It is essential to know the Word of God if you want to be able to identify those false profits.

Jude 3 once for all entrusted to the saints.

• Hold things in the correct perspective

Jude 20-24 But you, dear friends, by building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in God's love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life. 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. To him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you before his glorious presence without fault and with great joy—"

## • Spiritual Workout from Jude:

- 1. Building up your faith
- 2. Pray
- 3. Keep yourself in the love of God.
- 4. Look for Jesus to come soon.
- 5. Witness.
- 6. Trust Jesus
- Call **321.574.6970** if you have chosen to accept Jesus as your Lord and Savior.

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