



ONE HIT WONDERS

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INTRODUCTION

Pastor Chip explores the book of Jude, one of the smaller books of the Bible, in our first week of the series *One Hit Wonders*. These books have much to say but are often neglected. Jude speaks to how the Church can and should persevere despite false teaching and false teachers. Christians are called to remain in God's love and persevere by not being surprised by false teaching, building themselves up in the faith and praying in the Spirit.

DISCUSSION

1. Pastor Chip said it's dangerous when people want Jesus as their savior but not their Lord. What does it mean to only want Jesus as savior and not Lord?
2. What does it look like for someone to have Jesus as savior **and** Lord? (see Philippians 2:8-11, Matthew 19:28 and Hebrews 11:6)
3. Jude warns against perverting the grace of God by taking advantage of His forgiveness and using it as an excuse for immorality. In what ways might you be taking advantage of God's grace?
4. Jude challenges us to stay strong in the faith by building ourselves up and remaining in God's love. Pastor Chip suggested we can do this by reading the Bible, connecting relationally with others and praying. Share with the group which one of these needs the most improvement in your life and how will you take a step this week to improve.

DO SOMETHING

1. Pastor Chip said praying in the Spirit is "listening and being attentive to how the voice of God inside you wants to speak." Set aside 10 minutes this week to simply listen and see if you can hear God speak.
2. Schedule a meeting with a Christian you admire. Ask them how they stay strong in the faith, and learn from their experience.
3. Remaining in God's love includes loving and serving others. Serve in your community through one of [PLC's Local Missions partners](#).

RESOURCES

1. Read about *The Assumption of Moses* at newworldencyclopedia.org This is the text referred to in Jude 1:9 Pastor Chip mentioned.
2. Read the book *Prayer* by Timothy Keller.
3. Read this article at desiringgod.org and practice praying the Word.