

"A Winning Strategy, Part 2"

Sunday, March 26, 2023, 10:30 a.m.

Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI

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Jude 1:22-25

BIG IDEA: Plan your work, then work your plan.

*"But you, Dear Friends...
build yourselves up in your most holy faith."
Jude 1:20a (CSB)*

☞ **Remember.** (v17-19)

☞ **Build.** (v20a)

☞ **Pray.** (v20b)

☞ **Love.** (v21a)

☞ **Wait.** (v21b)

☞ **Have Mercy.** (v22)

☞ **Rescue.** (v23a)

☞ **Have Mercy (again).** (v23b)

☞ **Worship.** (v24 & 25)

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READ: Jude 1:1-25, then review v22-25

THINK: Recall Jude's emboldening of his readers, then ask yourself these questions: *What makes someone a strategic thinker? What is the relationship between the application of mercy as Jude mentions it in v2, 21, 22? How does being a recipient of mercy help us be merciful to others? What "fire" does Jude have in mind when he speaks of "snatching them from the fire" (v23a)? How hard is it for you to show mercy toward trouble-makers and oppressors in your life? Why is it important to show them mercy? What causes people to stumble spiritually? How does God protect us from stumbling? What does it mean to "stand in the presence of his glory, without blemish and with great joy"? What is the relationship between "the only God our Savior" and "Jesus Christ our Lord"? How would you explain each of the worthy attributes of the Lord Jesus Jude uses in his benediction: GLORY, MAJESTY, POWER, and AUTHORITY? How do these help us be assured of victory "now and forever"?*

DO: Update your personal plan to manage each of the strategic elements to spiritual victory taught in today's and last week's messages.