

## A Most Holy Faith

Jude closes his book by mentioning important doctrines for the Contenders of the Faith.

(Jude 17-25) “**Beloved**, while I was making effort to write you about our common salvation, I felt the necessity to write to you appealing that you **contend earnestly for the faith** which was once for all delivered to the saints.” (Jude 3)

Remember that one of Jude’s markers for outlining his book was the word, **Beloved** (Jude 3, 17, 20). After his salutation (Jude 1-2), Jude divided the book into **three Beloved sections** (Jude 3-16; 17-19; and 20-25).

We are currently studying the final Beloved section (Jude 20-25) of instructions to the Contenders of the Faith. Jude closes with important doctrines to the ministry of Contenders of the Faith.

We will study 10 of these important basic doctrines for Contenders of the Faith.

Edification complex of Soul	(Jude 20a)	Faith cycle	(Jude 20b)
Prayer	(Jude 20c)	Love of God	(Jude 21a)
Eternal life	(Jude 21b)	Double-minded	(Jude 22)
Divine discipline	(Jude 23a)	Reversionism	(Jude 23b)
Positional truth	(Jude 24)	Sovereign plan of God	(Jude 25)

Today’s lesson is the doctrine of **Faith Cycle** that comes from:

**(Jude 20b)** “But you, beloved, building yourselves up (ECS) on your most holy (te hagiotate / Isf / superlative of hagios) faith (pistis / Isf).”

**This lesson will study three aspects of the doctrine of the Faith Cycle that is essential to Contender of the Faith.**

### **1. Jude shows the importance of the doctrine of the ECS to faith cycle for Contenders of the Faith (Jude 20a).**

Inhaling and exhaling Categorical Bible Doctrine (CBD) develops the Edification Complex of the Soul (ECS) which develops spiritual growth that develops the faith cycle.

(2 Tim.3:16-17) “All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness; that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for e very good work.”

(2 Pet.3:18) “But (de / adversative to 2 Tim.3:17) **grow (auxano/ p.a.impv.2pl)** in (en+loc of sphere) the grace (charis) and knowledge (gnosis/ Isf) of our (the) Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.” (1 Pet.2:2; Heb.5:13-14)

Out of application of the doctrine of the ECS come the other nine basic doctrines important to Contenders of the faith.

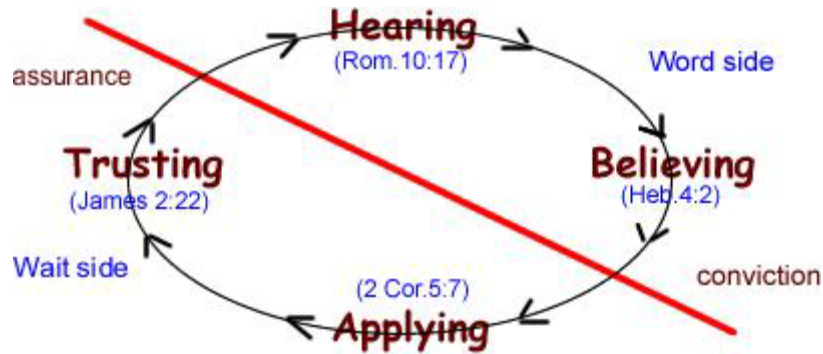
2. **Most holy faith is in superlative form (holy faith, more holy faith, most holy faith).**

**Holy faith** emphasizes the source - God and His word is the source (Mark 11:22; Rom.4:21; 10:17).

**More Holy faith** emphasizes spiritual growth development (Rom.1:12, 17; Col.1:23; 2:6-7; Heb.5:13-14).

**Most Holy faith** emphasizes Super Grace Status in the Christian Way of Life (CWL) (2 Thess.1:3) [huperauxano]; (James 1:22-25; 2:10-24; Heb.11:17-19; Heb.10:35-36; Rom.4:21; James 4:6).

3. **The faith cycle is the mechanic to reaching and maintaining super grace spiritual growth status (Heb.11:6, 39-40).**



When studying the following passages determine where the faith cycle breaks down and how to fix it?

- Matt.17:14-21 Little faith (oligopistis)

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- Mark 4:35-41 No faith (ouk pistis)

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- Luke 7:2, 7-10 Great faith (tosoutos pistis)

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- Acts 6:8-15; 7:55-60 Full of faith (pleres pistis)

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