THE LORD COMETH

Jude 14-16

Introduction:

- A. Satan attacks the work of God in many ways.
 - 1. Outward persecution. I Peter 4:12.
 - Inward corruption. vs. 4,8,10,12
- B. God will not allow these attacks to go unpunished.
 - 1. God knows how to do it. II Peter 2:9.
 - Jude writes of God's judgment.

I. THE LORD'S COMING IS PROPHESIED. VS. 14

- A. "and Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these saying."
 - 1. Enoch knew whereof he spoke!
 - 2. Gen. 5:21-24.
 - prophesied = to deliver the message of a prophet, to speak forth.
- B. "Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints."
 - 1. The Lord is coming back to the earth.
 - He is coming with men and angels.
 - 3. He will at this time right the wrongs.

II. JESUS COMES TO JUDGE THE "UNGODLY."

- A. "to execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds, which they have ungodly committed."
 - execute = to make, bring about, to do judgment, to act as a judge.
 - 2. John 5:25-30. (same word is used in vs. 27.)

- judgment = separating, the act or time of pronouncing sentence.
- 4. convince = to show to be wholly wrong, to rebuke sternly. John 16:8 "and when He is come, He will reprove (convince) the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment."
- ungodly = godless, irreverent.
- deed = work, labour, business.
- B. "and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him."
 - hard = dried up, dry, stiff, The word conveys always a grave reproach, it has in it the idea of harsh, inhumane, and uncivil.
 - sinners =sinful sinner.

III. THE WORDS AND DEEDS CHRIST WILL JUDGE. VS. 16

- A. "These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts."
 - Murmurmers = to murmur, the sound of air in a shell, to utter in a low voice, such kind of talking generally manifests discontent.
 - 2. complainers =

complaining of one's lot, to grumble about one's condition in life. The word was used to describe a standard Gr. character: "You're satisfied by nothing that befalls you; you complain at everything. You don't want what you have got; you long for what you haven't got. In winter you wish it were summer, and in summer that it were winter: You are like the sick folk, hard to please, and one who complains about his lot in life" (s. Green's guotation from Lucian, Cynic, XVII). The word indicates one who complained against God who has appointed each man his fate (TDNT;s. also MM)

3. walking = to cause to pass over by land or by water,

- to transport, to go, having regard, not to the point of departure, but to the end to be reached.
- lust = the sinful desire which corresponds to man's depraved nature.
- B. "and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage."
 - swelling words = excessive size, puffed up, swollen,

The word is generally used of great or even excessive size, and in later writers it is also used of "big" words, arrogant speech and demeanor. (Mayor).

2. admiration =

Pres. act. part. to marvel, to wonder, to admire. The expression is used to translate the Heb. idiom "to take, or raise, a man's countenance," ie, do honor or show favor to him. The formula had its orgin in the oriental custom of making one to rise from the ground in token of welcome. This imagery soon disappeared and the expression meant "to show profit, gain, advantage.

IV. JESUS IS COMING TO JUDGE ALL.

- A. He will judge these "sinners."
 - 1. Lost people will be judged.
 - 2. Lost religious workers will be judged.
- B. He will judge the saved.
 - 1. Faithful saved will be judged.
 - 2. Saved unfaithful will be judged.
- C. He will judge the church.
 - 1. Has the church people contended?
- D. He will judge nations.