

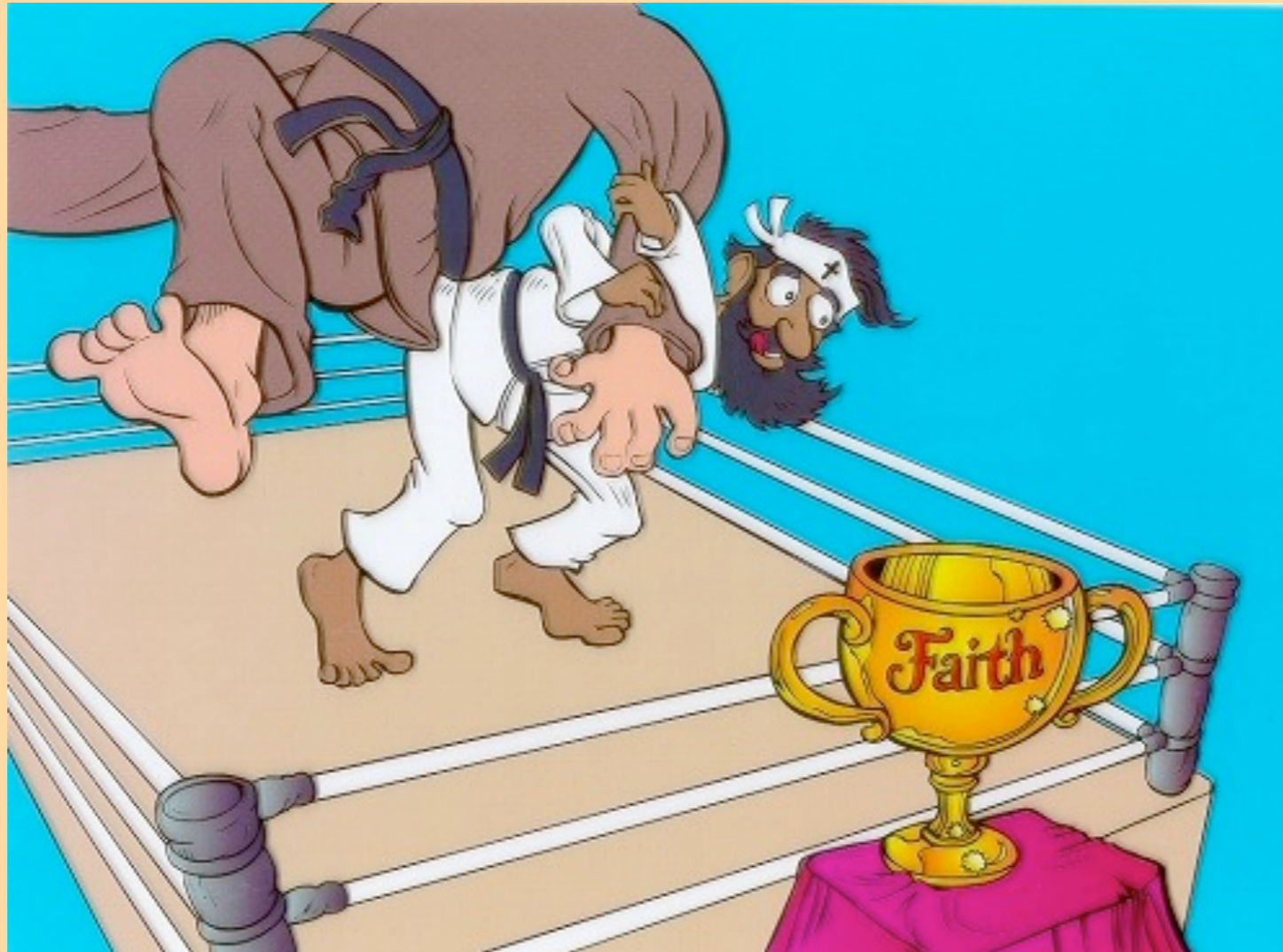
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# JUDE: CONTENDING FOR THE FAITH

## FUNDAMENTALS: INERRANCY AND INFALLIBILITY OF SCRIPTURE JUDE 3



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**ἔχω échō;  
pres act ind, 1s,  
“I have ...”**

**ἀνάγκη anágkē,  
“compelled, necessity”  
“I have a necessity, I am  
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**ἐπαγωνίζομαι;**

**epagōnízomai;**

**present active (deponent)**

**infinitive**

**Used for athletic competition;**

**strive, contend earnestly; fight strongly for something**

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**“It was also used more generally of any conflict, contest, debate, or lawsuit. Involved is the thought of the expenditure of all one’s energy in order to prevail.**

**Here, as often, the verb is used metaphorically to denote a spiritual conflict in which believers are engaged. According to Alford, the preposition ἐπί in the compound ‘gives the purpose for which the fight is to be waged.’ The defensive nature of the conflict is made clear by the following dative, ‘for the faith.’ ”**

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**πίστις *pístis*;**

**With article: here it refers to a specific body of doctrine; the content of what a person believes.**



# Contending

- 1. Internally: within our own soul**
- 2. Externally: inside the local church; outside the local church**

# FUNDAMENTALISM

- 1. Princeton Theology: Charles, A.A., Caspar Hodge; B. B. Warfield**
- 2. Dispensationalism: John Nelson Darby; James Hall Brooks; C. I. Scofield; Dwight Moody; L.S. Chafer**
- 3. *The Fundamentals*, 12 volumes, 1910–1915**  
**Inerrancy of the Bible**  
**Literal Genesis, miracles;**  
**Virgin birth**  
**Bodily resurrection of Christ**  
**Literal, future return**  
**Substitutionary atonement**

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- 4. The influence of Darwinism.**
- 5. The rise of higher criticism, which viewed the biblical texts as human documents rather than of Divine origin.**

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**2 Tim. 3:15, “and that from childhood you have known the sacred writings which are able to give you the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.**

**2 Tim. 3:16, “All Scripture is inspired by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, for training in righteousness;**

**2 Tim. 3:17, “that the man of God may be adequate, equipped for every good work.”**

**2 Pet. 1:20, “[because we] know this first, that no prophecy of Scripture is of any private interpretation,**

**2 Pet. 1:21, “for prophecy never came by the will of man, but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Spirit.”**

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