- ✓ 1–2 Salutation / Greeting
- ✓ 3–4 Purpose of the letter
 - 5–23 Message
- 5–7 Past examples of judgment
- ✓ 8–16 Description of the ungodly
- → 17–23 Exhortations
 - 24–25 Conclusion: glory to God

17 But you, beloved, remember the words which were spoken before by the apostles of our Lord Jesus Christ:

2 Corinthians 11:13–15

18 how they told you that there would be mockers in the last times who would walk according to their own ungodly lusts.

2 Peter 3:3–4

2 Timothy 4:2–4

19 These are sensual persons, who cause divisions, not having the Spirit.

1 Corinthians 2:14