

# CBSM Small Group Discussion Guide

I Love My Church: Because We Don't Listen To Creepers  
(Jude)

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## The one-shot summary of the sermon series:

"I Love My Church" is all about New Testament letters from or to individuals (Timothy, Titus, Philemon, James, John, Peter, Jude). These men loved their churches because they loved their Lord and the people in their church. These letters to and from these individuals will encourage us as individuals to love and be more loving to our church because Jesus is the head and our church is His body. The more we'll love our church, the more we'll want to bring people to be a part of our church, hear the gospel, be saved, and worshipfully serve Jesus there.

## CBSM Small Group Accountability Questions:

I realize these accountability questions are a little much for the beginning of an already short small group session time. So let's encourage our teens every small group session to have a couple of accountability partners. I would encourage them to have a group of 3 - 4 that talk or meet together every week or two to talk about their lives, their victories, failures, successes, struggles, sins, and obedience.

## CBSM Small Group Application Questions:

**Conversation:** Don't forget the importance of letting your students come in, start conversations, you talk to them on a personal level, and after several minutes transition into the lesson.

**Intro:** Have you or your friends ever had a close call with being kidnapped like Pastor Chip's story?

**Transition:** When thinking about kidnapping in real life, what are some similarities of danger and tragedy when Satan seeks to kidnap us to sin?

**Bible:** Read Jude 3-8. Pair up with 1 or 2 others in your small group. What is the main point of this passage? What does God seem to be telling you the most? How would you summarize it into a few short words?

**Jesus (Person and Work):** From Jude 1-8, how many different times do we see Jesus mentioned or referred to? Where are they and what is Jesus being referred to? For each reference, is it Jesus' person or work?

**Sin (What, When, and Why):** Read Jude 4, 8, and 16. How many different sins can you list from this passage. Take the list and divide them up to pairs in your small group. Have them thinking up a short scenario as to how "creepers" might sin in that way today. What sin would each student in your small group be most guilty of? They have to pick one. And why?

**Life:** Read Jude 17-21. How many different instructions can you find in this passage for Christians to protect themselves from the creepers? Divide them among your students again and have them come up with a scenario for each.

**Scenario:** What if a friend confides in you about a serious sin that that've been struggling with for years? What if they asked you how they can finally stop, get out of it, and be done with it? How would you answer them through a clear understanding of the gospel?

### **General Outline of a CBSM Small Group Session:**

**Listen:** Let your class talk a few minutes and just listen to them, listen to their weekend, listen to their lives, listen to their week...listen to their hearts.

**Prayer:** Ask for prayer requests before you start the discussion.

Accountability: Ask your class if they did their Bible reading, how their prayer life went this week, who they've witnessed to, and about their relationship with Christ.

Discussion: Ask the listed questions along with other questions that sparked in your mind during your reading. Don't be afraid if they get off track a little. Listen to where their minds and conversations are going, and try to take a wide facilitating turn back to the Word.

Prayer: Ask for prayer requests again, but this time ask them to be specifically from what you've studied and discussed that morning. Ask how yall can be praying for each other, and how yall can be praying for the student ministry through the passages. And take time to pray together!

That should easily take up 45 to an hour. If you have any questions...please let me know! Feel free to refer back to this email often. Let me know if you have any helpful suggestions for the rest of the teachers. I'm also attaching a commentary on the book of Judges in case you need it for more answers!

Only by His grace,  
Pastor Chip