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**Transforming Daily**  
**“... common salvation ...”**  
*Jude 3*

Salvation through the shed blood of Jesus Christ is anything else but common. Jude didn't mean that being delivered from the penalty of sin was a common and everyday act. What Jude meant was, after having identified the early believers as “Beloved,” all believers share in *common* the gift of eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore Christians are the beloved of God.

The reason for this distinction was twofold. While “beloved” identifies those in Christ, it also distinguishes unbelievers from Christ. In other words, the audience who would hear and heed the message of Jude more than likely would be only those who trusted Christ as their personal Savior. Specifically here in Jude, it was his very point in using the term “beloved” to distinguish the false teachers and their teachings contrary to that of the truth of the gospel.

Jude uses this distinction to encourage those who are experiencing whatever form of persecution to remain steadfast. He wants them to know that their cause, calling and commission is worthy. Jude also wants them to know that they are not alone in their efforts. Their present and temporary experience was being rewarded and would be rewarded regarding their relationship as the “beloved.”

Are you named among the beloved? Will you remain steadfast for the cause of the Christ? Can you distinguish between the truth and false teachings? Do you share in the believer's common salvation?