

## THE ARGVMENT OF THE EPISTLE OF S. IVDÉ.

*Mt. 13.* In the Ghospel theſe are called *Fratres Ieſu, the Brethren of Ieſus*: Iames, and Iofeph, and Simon, and Iude.

Their father is called Alphæus, where Iames is termed,

*Mat. 13.* *Iames of Alphæus*: and their mother, *Maria Iacobi minoris, Marie the mother of Iames the yonger & of*

*Ioh. 19.* *Iofeph*. Which Marie in another place being called *Maris Cleophæ*, we perceiue their father was named both Alphæus and alſo Cleophas. And that this Cleophas was

*Eufeb. hiſt. li. 3. c. 10.* brother to Iofeph our Ladies husband, Hegefippus telleth vs. Therefore becauſe Iofeph was called the father of Chriſt, his brothers children were called the Brethren, that is (according to the cuſtom of the ſcripture alſo) the kinfmen of our Lord; & not becauſe they were the children of Iofeph himſelf by another wife, much leſſe (as Heluidius the Heretike did blaſpheme) by our B. Ladie the perpetual Virgin MARIE. Howbeit ſome good Authours ſay, that their mother Marie was the natural fifter of our Ladie, and that therefore they are called, *Fratres Domini, the Brethren of our Lord*.

*Luc. 6. Mt. 10.* Howſoeuer that be, three of them are reckened among the 12. Apoſtles, Iames, and Simon Cananæus, and Iude. Yea and that they were ſome-what more then Apoſtles, though leſſe then Peter, S. Paul ſignifieth, where he faith ſpeaking of himſelf and Barnabas: *As alſo the other Apoſtles, and the Brethren of our Lord, and Cephas. 1. Cor. 9.*

And as S. Luke calleth this Iude, *Iude of Iames*, ſo he calleth himſelf in this Epiſtle of his, *Iude the ſeruant of Ieſus Chriſt, and the brother of Iames*. S. Matthew and S. Marke doe cal him *Thaddæus*, as *Lebbæus* alſo in the Greeke. His feaſt and his brother Simons together, the Church keepeth Octob. 28. called *Simon and Iudes day*.

His Epiſtle is an Inuectiue againſt al heretikes (as it were a Commentarie of 2. Pet. 2.) and namely (as

*pag. 342, 396.* S. Aug hath told vs) againſt thoſe, which miſconftr'd S. Pauls Epiſtles and held *Only faith*, whom he calleth therefore, *Men that transferre or peruert the grace of God*

*into riotoufnes, v. 4.* exhorting Catholikes to be conftant and vnmoueable from their old faith, and to contend for the keeping thereof, *v. 3.* and *v. 20.* For heretikes (faith he) *fegregate themfelues* from the Church and from her faith. *v. 19.*