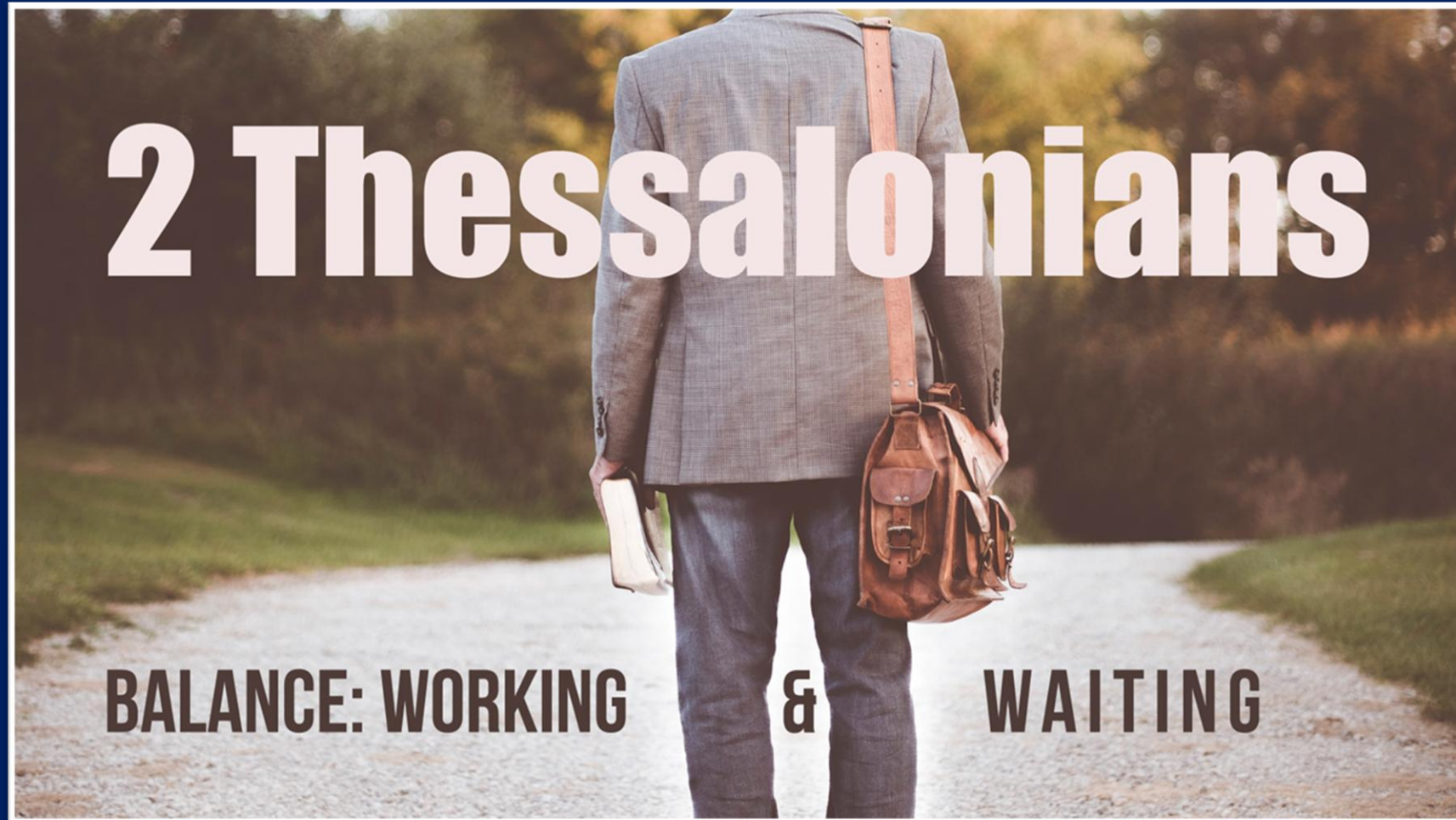
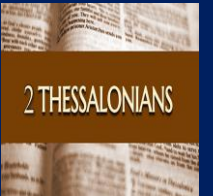




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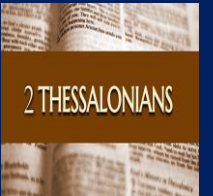
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- Problem (2:1-2)
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 - ◆ Advent of the lawless one (2:3b-4)
 - ◆ Removal of the restrainer (2:5-7)
 - ◆ Destruction of the lawless one (2:8-9)
 - ◆ Destruction of lawless one's followers (2:10-12)



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Thessalonians' Prayer for Paul

A. Effectiveness (1)

B. Deliverance (2)



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Names & Titles Demonstrating Satan's Post-Fall, Earthly Authority

(Job 1:7; 2:2; Luke 4:5-8; Rom. 8:19-22)



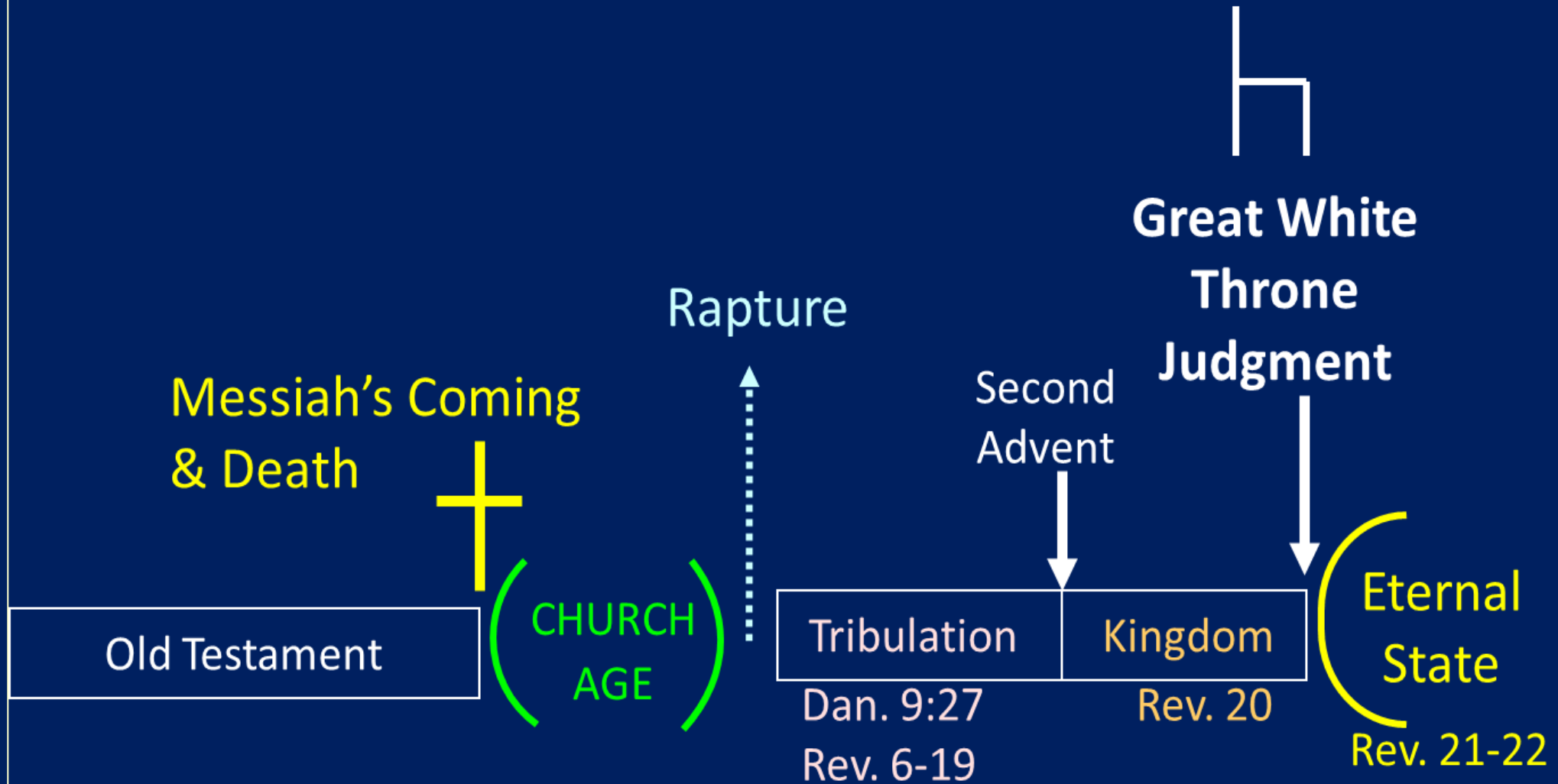
- Prince of this world (John 12:31; 14:30; 16:11)
- God of this age (2 Cor. 4:4)
- Prince and power of the air (Eph. 2:2)
- Who the believer wrestles with (Eph. 6:12)
- Roaring lion (1 Pet. 5:8)
- Whole world lies in his power (1 John 5:19)

Satan's Progressive Defeat

1. Initial eviction from heaven (Isa 14:12-15; Ezek 28:12-17)
2. Eden (Gen 3:15)
3. Pre-diluvian world (1 Pet 3:19-20)
4. Cross (John 12:31; 16:11; Col 2:15; Heb 2:14; 1 John 3:8)
5. Mid point of the Tribulation (Rev 12:9)
6. **Beginning of millennium (Rev 20:2-3)**
7. End of millennium (Rev 20:10)



Prophecy Panorama



Revelation 20:1-3

“¹ Then I saw an angel coming down from heaven, holding the key of the abyss and a great chain in his hand. ² And he laid hold of the dragon, the serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan, and bound him for a thousand years; ³ and he threw him into the abyss, and shut *it* and so that he would not deceive the nations any longer sealed *it* over him,, until the thousand years were completed; after these things he must be released for a short time.”



Revelation 20:10

¹⁰ And the devil who deceived them was thrown into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are also; and they will be tormented day and night forever and ever.”



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- ◆ Divine restraint (Job 1:12; 2:6; Luke 22:31-32; Thess. 2:6-7; 1 John 5:18)
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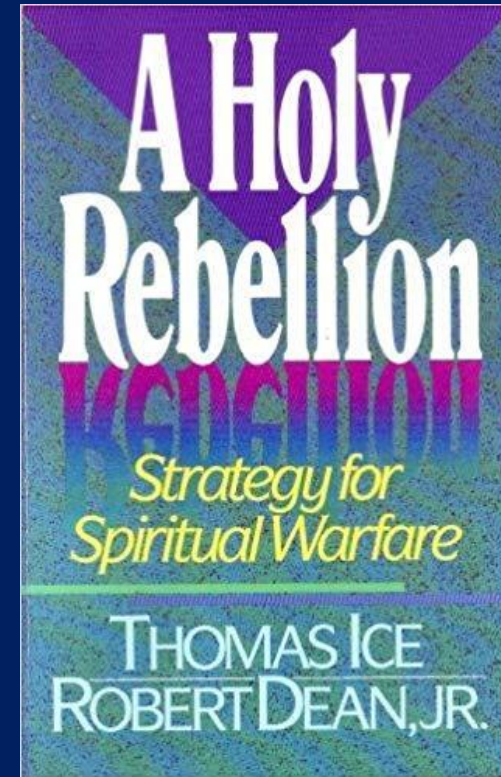
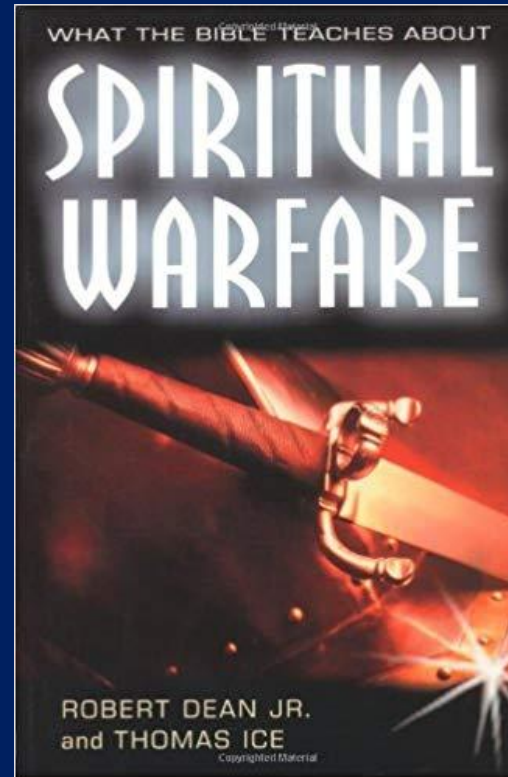
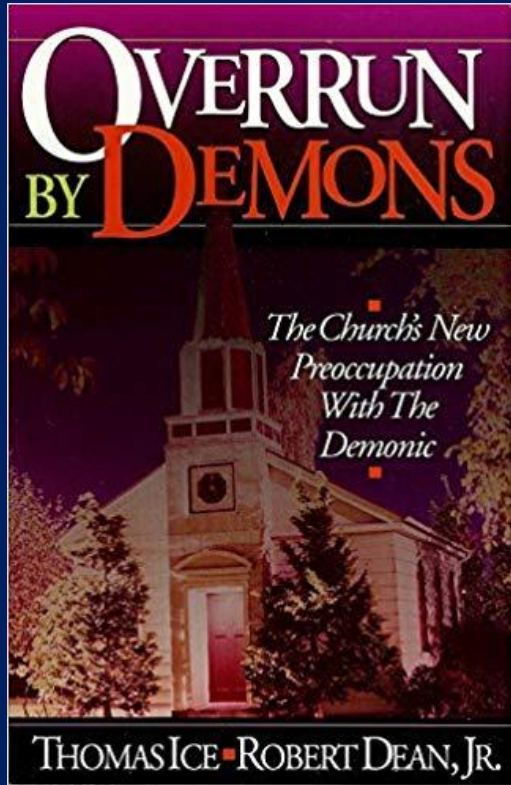
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- Believer's responsibility
 - ◆ Our defensive posture (Rev 20:2-3, 10; 2 Pet 2:10-11)
 - ◆ Avoid catering to the flesh (Eph 4:26-27)
 - ◆ Resist (Jas 4:7; 1 Pet 5:8-9; Eph 6:13)
 - ◆ Rely on the Spirit (1 John 4:4)
 - ◆ Put on the full armor of God (Eph 6:10-20)

Ephesians 6:10-20

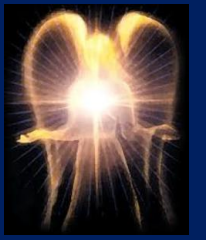


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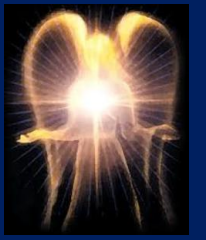
Satan's Works - Past



1. Lied to Adam and Eve (Gen 3:1ff)
2. Corrupted the pre-flood gene pool (Gen 6:1-4)
3. Accused and afflicted Job (Job 1–2)
4. Disputed Michael regarding Moses' body (Jude 9)
5. Tempted David to take a census (1 Chr 21:1)
6. Accused Joshua (Zech 3:1-3)



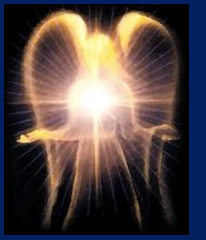
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7. Tempted Christ (Matt 4:1-11)
8. Tested Peter (Luke 22:31-33)
9. Possessed Judas (John 13:27)
10. Hindered Paul (1 Thess 2:18)
11. Afflicted Paul (2 Cor 12:7-10)
12. Influenced Ananias & Sapphira to lie (Acts 5:3-4, 8)



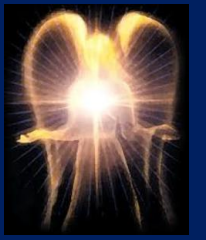
Satan's Works – Present



1. Snatches God's Word (Luke 8:12)
2. Rules world (1 John 5:19)
3. Blinds the mind (2 Cor 4:4)
4. Sends false ministers (2 Cor 11:14-15)
5. Sends false gospels (2 Cor 11:3-4)
6. Sows unbelievers among believers (Matt 13:38-39)
7. Performs miracles (2 Thess 2:9)



Satan's Works – Present (cont'd)



8. Promotes immorality (Eph 2:1-3)
9. Opposes God's people (Eph 6:11-12)
10. Tempts God's people (1 Cor 7:5)
11. Uses the carnality of Christians (Eph 4:26-27)
12. Causes physical problems (Luke 13:11, 16)
13. Influences civil government (Dan 10:10ff)
14. Lies (John 8:44)
15. Deceives (Rev 12:9; 20:3)

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Three Tenses of Salvation

Phase	Justification	<u>SANCTIFICATION</u>	Glorification
Tense	Past	<u>PRESENT</u>	Future
Saved from sin's:	Penalty	<u>POWER</u>	Presence
Scripture	Eph 2:8-9; Titus 3:5	<u>PHILIP 2:12</u>	Rom 5:10
Nature	Single	<u>DUAL</u>	Single

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2 Peter 1:5-7

⁵ Now for this very reason also, applying all diligence, in your faith supply moral excellence, and in *your* moral excellence, knowledge, ⁶ and in *your* knowledge, self-control, and in *your* self-control, perseverance [*hypomonē*], and in *your* perseverance, godliness, ⁷ and in *your* godliness, brotherly kindness, and in *your* brotherly kindness, love.



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PORTRAIT OF GROWTH

1:5-7



2 Thessalonians 2:2

“that you not be quickly shaken from your composure or be disturbed either by a spirit or a message or a letter as if from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord [the Tribulation] has come.”



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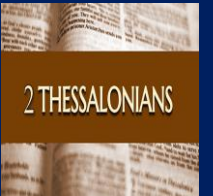
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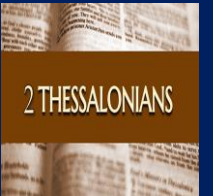


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