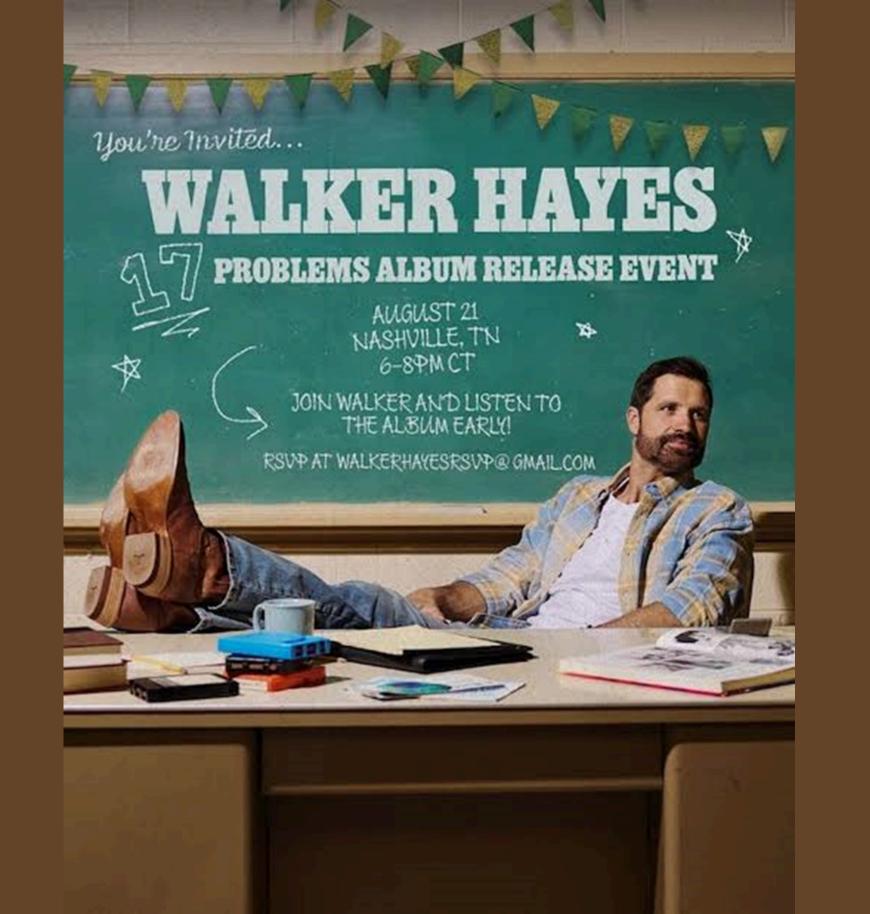
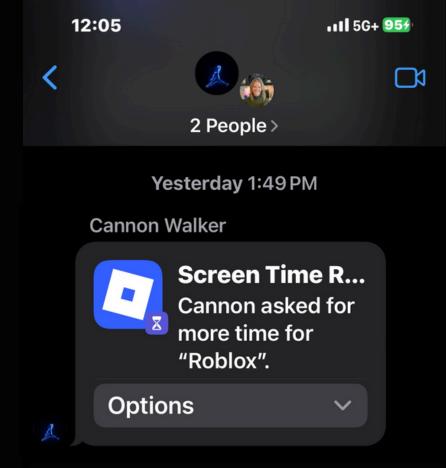
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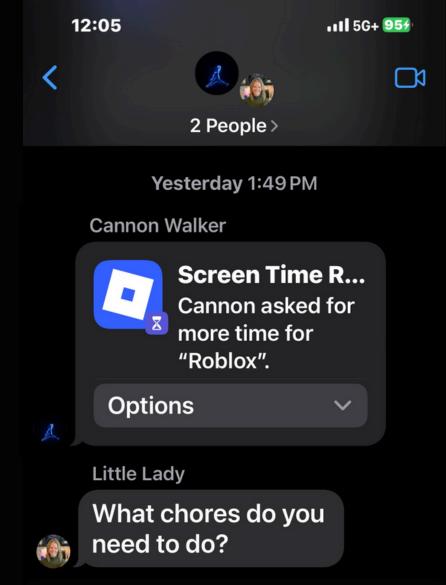
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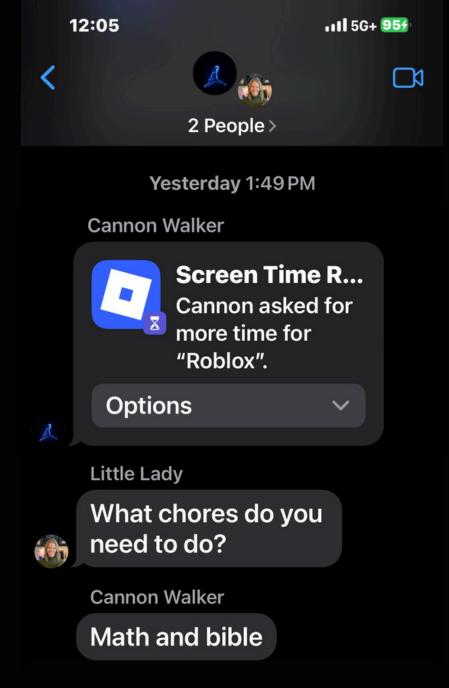






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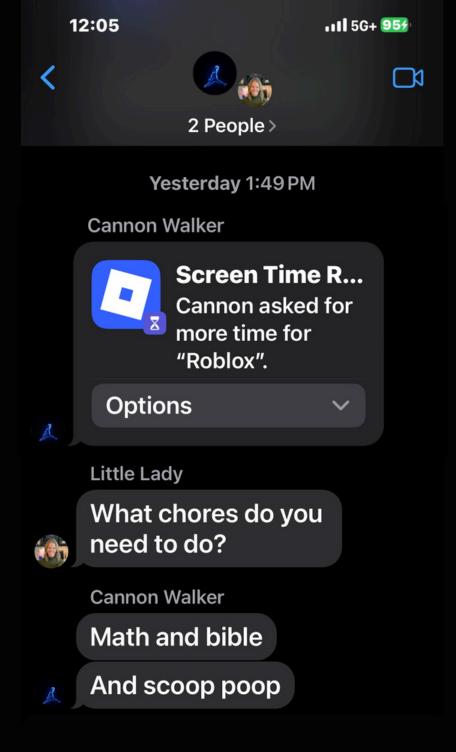




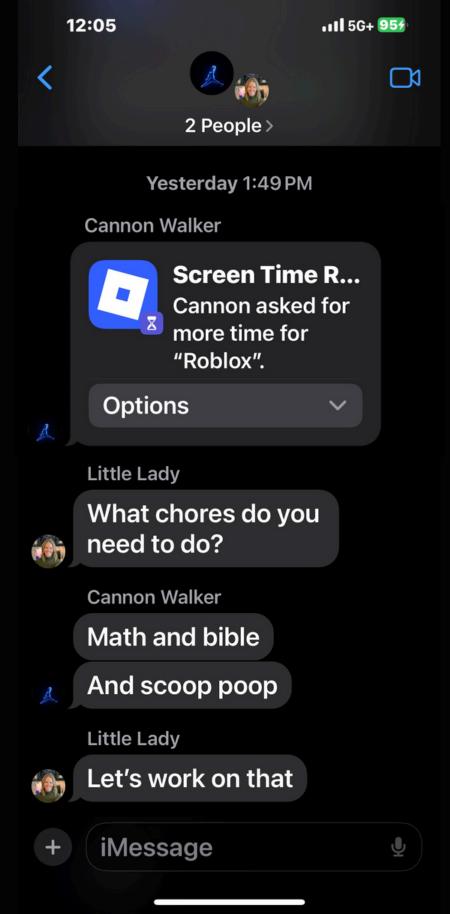


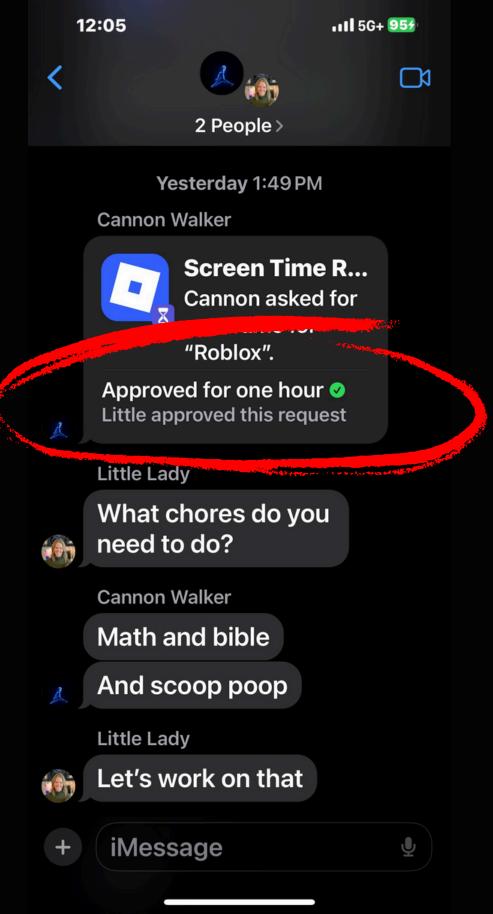
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¹Now concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him, we ask you, brothers, ² not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect that the day of the Lord has come.

- Concerning: Jesus coming back & our being gathered together to Him
- Don't freak out remain soberminded
- Reject these false prophets, false teachers and false letters
- The day of the Lord has not yet come

2 Thessalonians 2:1-2



ROMANS 12:2

²Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

1 CORINTHIANS 14:20

²⁰ Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

2 TIMOTHY 2:7

⁷Think over what I say,

for the Lord will give you understanding in everything.

³Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴ who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. ⁵ Do you not remember that when I was still with you I told you these things? ⁶ And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. ⁷ For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way.

- Two things must happen: Man of lawlessness revealed & restrainer removed
- Distinct event
- False Christ

2 Thessalonians 2:3-7



MATTHEW 24:23-24

23 Then if anyone says to you, 'Look, here is the Christ!' or 'There he is!' do not believe it. 24 For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect.

MATTHEW 24:10-13

10 And then many will fall away and betray one another and hate one another. 11 And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. 12 And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. 13 But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

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- Paul told them what is restraining the man of lawlessness
- We don't need to know this
- Why is Paul telling them this? It has **NOT YET** happened.

2 Thessalonians 2:3-7



LUKE 22: 52-53

52 Then Jesus said to the chief priests and officers of the temple and elders, who had come out against him, "Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs? 53 When I was with you day after day in the temple, you did not lay hands on me. But this is your hour, and the power of darkness."

ACTS 1:7

7He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority.

⁶ And you know what is restraining him now so that he may be revealed in his time. ⁷ For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way.

- Don't focus on the identity of the restrainer
- Focus on the fact that he is doing God's work
- It's not happeneing until God decides

2 Thessalonians 2:6-7

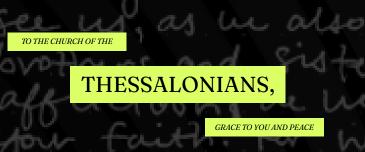


Acts 2:23

²³[Peter said] ... this <mark>Jesus,</mark> delivered up according to the definite plan and foreknowledge of God, you crucified and killed by the hands of lawless men.

⁸ And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming.

2 Thessalonians 2:8



⁹The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, ¹⁰ and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved.

- "All" power? "All" deception?
- Satan will use everything at his disposal.
- He's going to die ...
 - Less power than God.
 - More power than you.



⁹The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, ¹⁰ and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. ¹¹Therefore God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false, ¹² in order that all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness. ¹³ But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.

- Two guarantees
 - All the wicked will be judged
 - Believers have been chosen by God to be saved

2 Thessalonians 2:9-13



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To this he called you through our gospel, so that you may obtain the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁵ So then, brothers, stand firm and hold to the traditions that you were taught by us, either by our spoken word or by our letter. ¹⁶ Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God our Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, ¹⁷ comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.

- Rest in the fact that God chose you and called you to this
- Stand firm: complete faith and no doubting (James 1:5-8)
- Use your mind: Hold to what you've been taught
- Appeal to God the Father

2 Thessalonians 2:14-17



Jesus is coming back,

BUT IT HASN'T HAPPENED YET