



The End Part III | The Age of Deception | Mark Allen | 8.31.25

Key Takeaways:

1. We are living in an age of increasing deception, which will intensify in the end times.
2. The Antichrist (the deceiver) will come with false signs and wonders to mislead many.
3. There is a "restrainer" (possibly the Holy Spirit or the Church) holding back the full revelation of the Antichrist.
4. Believers are called to stand firm in their faith and serve God faithfully until Christ's return.

Discussion Questions:

1. Pastor Mark mentioned that we're living in "the end of the end times." What evidence did he provide to support this claim? Do you agree or disagree, and why?
2. How does the idea of a coming "age of deception" impact your view of current events and the information you encounter daily?
3. Pastor Mark discussed the concept of "apostasy" in the church. Have you observed any examples of this in your own experience or in the broader Christian community?
4. What are your thoughts on the pastor's interpretation of "phobotron" as potentially referring to monsters or otherworldly beings? How does this align with or challenge your understanding of end-times prophecy?
5. Pastor Mark presented two possible interpretations for the "restrainer" - the Holy Spirit or the Church. Which interpretation resonates more with you, and why?

6. How does the promise of Christ's return and the rapture of believers affect your daily life and decisions?

Practical Applications:

1. Strengthen your discernment: Commit to regular Bible study and prayer to help you distinguish truth from deception in today's world.
2. Be a "restrainer": Identify one way you can be "salt and light" in your community this week, helping to preserve goodness and shine truth.
3. Serve faithfully: Choose a specific area in your church or community where you can increase your service to others, remembering that we are "saved to do good works."
4. Share the Gospel: Make a plan to share your faith with at least one person who doesn't know Jesus, recognizing the urgency emphasized in the sermon.
5. Stand firm: Identify any areas in your life where you may be wavering in your faith or compromising biblical values. Commit to standing firm in those areas.

Closing Prayer:

Encourage group members to reflect on the sermon's message throughout the week and to support one another in applying its teachings to their lives.