



## 2 THESSALONIANS SERIES – 12

### PREPARING FOR THE END TIMES – Pt 3

#### “The Revealing Of The Antichrist” 2 Thessalonians 2:1-5

#### INTRODUCTION

#### SOME FACTS ABOUT THE COMING OF THIS WORLD DECEIVER:

##### 1. HE IS REVEALED AT THE DAY OF THE LORD- 1-2

- The **RAPTURE** is the basis for this exhortation from Paul - 1  
*“the coming (Greek: *parousia*) of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to Him.”*
- The immediate **REASON** was the reaction of these believers to reports that the day of the Lord was already here – 2  
*“we ask you, brothers, 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”*

#### **Remember...**

Your responsibility, by God’s enabling, is to constantly apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:12-13; 1 Tim. 4:7-9; James 1:22-27).

As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

How can I accomplish this change?

What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

## 2. THE DEPARTURE OF CHURCH-AGE BELIEVERS WILL COME FIRST - 3

*“unless the rebellion comes first” (Greek: *apostasia*)*

## 3. THE DESCRIPTION OF THE ANTICHRIST THAT REVEALS HIS REAL IDENTITY - 3-4

*“the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction”*

- His **DEPRAVITY** will go unchecked - *man of lawlessness*  
*Daniel 11:37-38*
- His **DESTINY** is already settled – *son of destruction*  
*Rev. 19:20; 20:10; John 17:12*
- His **DETERMINATION** to be honored above everyone and everything - 4a  
*“who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship” - Daniel 7:8, 11, 20, 25; 11:36-37*
- His **DECISION** to sit in the temple of God will be the final evidence of his real identity - 4b  
*“so that he takes his seat in the temple of God” - Matt 24:15.*