

The Restrainer, Series: Make Room

Introduction:

The idea of restraint is an important part of the Holy Spirit's agenda in our lives.

THE PRINCIPLE OF RESTRAINT

And now you know what is hold him back (restraining), so that he may be revealed at the proper time. For the secret power of lawlessness is already at work; but the one who now holds it back will continue to do so till he is taken out of the way. 2 Thessalonians 2:6,7

SEVEN MEANS OF RESTRAINT

1. By Direct Intervention
2. Godly Leaders
3. The family
4. Our Conscience
5. The Church
6. The Bible
7. Civil Law or Government

RESISTING THE SPIRIT'S RESTRAINT

You men who are stiff-necked and uncircumcised in heart and ears are always resisting the Holy Spirit. Acts 7:51

So as the Holy Spirit says: Today, if you hear his voice, do not harden your heart. Hebrews 3:7

He who has ears to hear, let him hear. Revelation 2:5