# PHILADELPHIA CHURCH

Don't be Deceived March 5, 2017 Pastor Derek Forseth

#### QUESTION

What if we knew that Jesus was coming back on a specific date?

# 2 PETER 3:3-4

<sup>3</sup> Above all, you must understand that in the last days scoffers will come, scoffing and following their own evil desires. 4 They will say, "Where is this 'coming' he promised? Ever since our ancestors died, everything goes on as it has since the beginning of creation."

# 2 PETER 3:7-9

<sup>7</sup>By the same word the present heavens and earth are reserved for fire, being kept for the day of judgment and destruction of the ungodly. <sup>8</sup> But do not forget this one thing, dear friends: With the Lord a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. <sup>9</sup> The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

# ACTS 2:14-21

<sup>14</sup> Then Peter stood up with the Eleven, raised his voice and addressed the crowd: "Fellow Jews and all of you who live in Jerusalem, let me explain this to you; listen carefully to what I say. <sup>15</sup> These people are not drunk, as you suppose. It's only nine in the morning! 16 No, this is what was spoken by the prophet Joel: 17 "In the last days, God says, I will pour out my Spirit on all people. Your sons and daughters will prophesy, your young men will see visions, your old men will dream dreams.<sup>18</sup> Even on my servants, both men and women, I will pour out my Spirit in those days, and they will prophesy.

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<sup>19</sup> I will show wonders in the heavens above and signs on the earth below, blood and fire and billows of smoke.<sup>20</sup> The sun will be turned to darkness and the moon to blood before the coming of the great and glorious day of the Lord.<sup>21</sup> And everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.'

RAPTURE (1 Thess. 4) - APPEARS	2 <sup>ND</sup> COMING (Rev. 19) - RETURNS
. Appears In The Heavens	I. Returns To Earth
2. Deliverer	2. Warrior
3. FOR The Church	3. WITH The Church
4. Love And Compassion	4. Wrath And Vengeance
5. Bridegroom	5. King Of King <del>s</del>

#### Rapture and Second Coming Contrasted

Could return at any moment Don't know the time Earth not judged Translated saints go to heaven Rapture is a mystery Before the day of wrath No reference to Satan He comes for His own (bride) He comes in the air Comes for believers only Only His own will see Him Tribulation begins Before the day of wrath Following timed events 31/2 years after Abomination of Desolation Earth is judged Translated saints return to earth Predicted often in Old Testament Concluding the day of wrath Satan bound He comes with His own (bride) He comes to the earth His return will impact all people Every eye will see Him Millennial kingdom begins Concluding the day of wrath

Rapture Passages	Second Coming Passages	
John 14:1-3	Daniel 2:44-45	
Romans 8:19	Daniel 7:9-14	
1 Corinthians 1:7-8	Daniel 12:1-3	
1 Corinthians 15:51-53	Zechariah 12:10	
1 Corinthians 16:22	Zechariah 14:1-15	
Philippians 3:20	Matthew 13:41	
Philippians 4:5	Matthew 24:15-31	
Colossians 3:4	Matthew 26:64	
1 Thessalonians 1:10; 2:19	Mark 13: 14-27	
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18	Mark 14:62, 23	
1 Thessalonians 5:19	Luke 21:25-28	
2 Thessalonians 2:1	Acts 1:9-11	
1 Timothy 6:14	Acts 3:19-21	
2 Timothy 4:1, 8	1 Thessalonians 3:13	
Titus 2:13	Jude 14, 15	
Hebrews 9:28	Revelation 1:7	
1 Peter 1:7, 13; 5:4	Revelation 19:11-20:6	
Revelation 2:25; 3:10	Revelation 22:7, 12, 20	

# DANIEL 9: 27

<sup>27</sup> He will confirm a covenant with many for one 'seven.' In the middle of the 'seven' he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And at the temple he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.

# MATTHEW 24:12-15

<sup>12</sup> Because of the increase of wickedness, the love of most will grow cold,<sup>13</sup> but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. 14 And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.<sup>15</sup> "So when you see standing in the holy place 'the abomination that causes desolation,' spoken of through the prophet Daniel—let the reader understand—

#### 1 JOHN 2:28

<sup>28</sup> And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming.

### 1 JOHN 2:18-27

<sup>18</sup> Dear children, this is the last hour; and as you have heard that the antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come. This is how we know it is the last hour. <sup>19</sup> They went out from us, but they did not really belong to us. For if they had belonged to us, they would have remained with ús; but their going showed that none of them belonged to us.<sup>20</sup> But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth.<sup>21</sup> I do not write to you because you do not know the truth, but because you do know it and because no lie comes from the truth. <sup>22</sup> Who is the liar? It is whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a person is the antichrist—denying the Father and the Son. <sup>23</sup> No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.

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<sup>24</sup> As for you, see that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father.<sup>25</sup> And this is what he promised us—eternal life.<sup>26</sup>I am writing these things to you about those who are trying to lead you astray. <sup>27</sup> As for you, the anointing you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit—just as it has taught you, remain in him.

THREE WAYS WE RECOGNIZE THE SPIRIT OF ANTICHRIST:

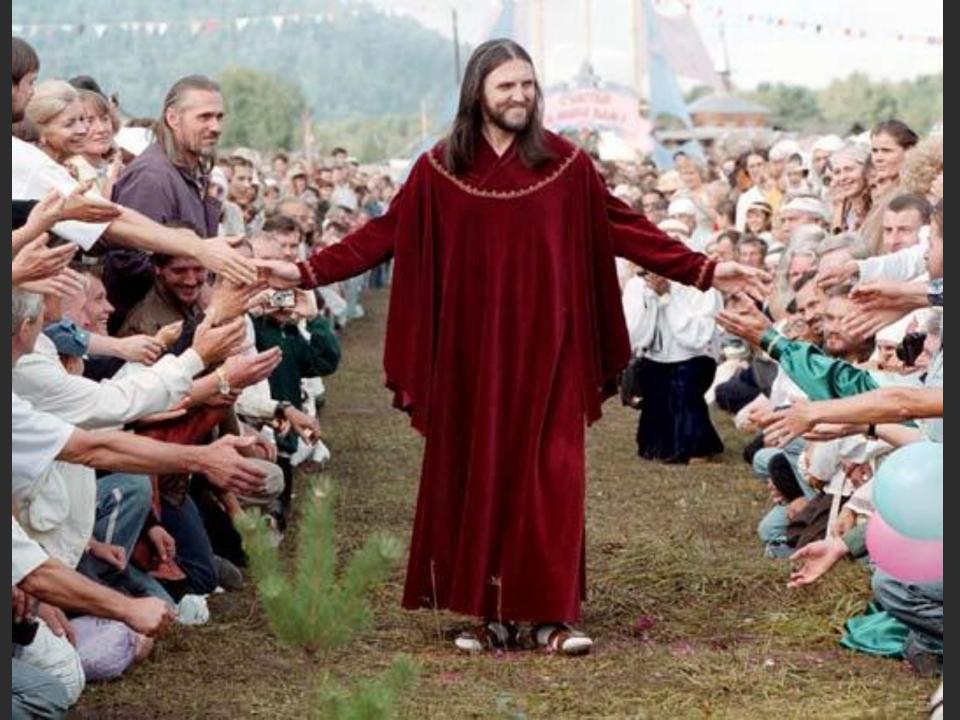
 Spiritual deception
 Turning away from discipleship
 Lacking sound doctrine

#### DEFINITION

Gnosis- knowledge of spiritual Mysteries

# 2 CORINTHIANS 11:3-4

<sup>3</sup> But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ. 4 For if someone comes to you and preaches a Jesus other than the Jesus we preached, or if you receive a different spirit from the Spirit you received, or a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it easily enough.





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# NOT GROWING IN CHRIST:

- Pride in Ministry
- Not willing to help others
- Empty prayer life
- Little spiritual priorities
- Little Fellowship
- Not using talents

# NOT GROWING IN CHRIST:

- Condescending or self-righteous
- Not in the Word
- Harsh with others
- Worldly goals for self and family
- Lazy when you have the ability to work and help

# **GROWING IN CHRIST**

- Generous with God and others
- Tender to the Holy Spirit
- Serving young, old and vulnerable
- Midnight prayers
- Corporate and quiet times of prayer
- Staying faithful when hurt by others
- Getting back up after failure
- Trusting God even when he says no
- Spending time in his word
- Obedience and faithfulness

# JOHN 14:6

<sup>6</sup> Jesus answered, "I am the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

# **JAMES 2:19**

You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder.

# 2 CORINTHIANS 13:5-6

<sup>5</sup> Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you—unless, of course, you fail the test? <sup>6</sup> And I trust that you will discover that we have not failed the test.

# 1 JOHN 2:27

<sup>27</sup> As for you, the anointing you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you. But as his anointing teaches you about all things and as that anointing is real, not counterfeit—just as it has taught you, remain in him.

# ACTS 2:42-47

<sup>42</sup> They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. <sup>43</sup> Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. <sup>44</sup> All the believers were together and had everything in common. <sup>45</sup> They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. <sup>46</sup> Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, <sup>47</sup> praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

#### THEY WERE COMMITTED TO:

Teaching
Fellowship
Communion
Prayer

# **RESULTS OF COMMITMENT:**

 Signs and wonders Unity Generosity God is glorified Favor with people Growth

# 1 JOHN 2:17

<sup>17</sup> The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.