

# The Antichrist Revealed: Preparing the Body of Christ for the Coming World Leader

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*The sermon explores the concept of the Antichrist, a coming world leader who receives power from Satan and offers a peace agreement involving Israel, but ultimately reveals his true character and brings great tribulation and persecution.*

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## Description

This sermon delves into the prophetic warnings about the coming Antichrist and the world leader as described in the book of Revelation. It emphasizes the need for spiritual discernment, preparation, and unwavering faith in Jesus Christ amidst the deception and persecution that will arise. The message urges repentance, acceptance of Jesus as Savior, and readiness to face tribulations with love, joy, and peace.

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## Transcript

Thank you so much for joining me in reading God's Word and understanding what he has to say to us. In Amos chapter 8, 11, it says, Behold, the days are coming, says the Lord God, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord. They shall wander from sea to sea and from north to east.

They shall run to and fro, seeking the word of the Lord, but shall not find it. Beloved, there's a great famine in the land of the truth of the word of God. And God has led me to share with you this afternoon about Antichrist revealed and preparing for a coming world leader.

Most of the passages are coming from the book of Revelation, but I wanted to mention to you that this Antichrist, who is a coming world leader, is mentioned in 1 John 2, 18. And there it says, It is the last hour. So beloved, it's very shortly before the time when Jesus comes.

And as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many Antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour. And then in Revelation chapters six, verses one and two, it shows the coming world leader as a conqueror coming in peace. And as we turn to Revelation chapter six, verse one, we can read there about the four horsemen of the apocalypse.

And Revelation chapter six, verses one and two says, And now I saw when the lamb opened one of the seals and I heard one of the four living creatures saying with a voice like thunder, come and see. And I looked and behold a white horse and he who sat on it had a bow and a crown was given to him and he went out conquering and to conquer. In the further seals, we also see some of the other riders of the apocalypse.

And the second rider is on a red horse bringing war. The third rider is on a black horse bringing famine. And the fourth rider is on a pale horse bringing death and hell.

Collectively they kill with weapons, with war, with hunger, with famine and with peace of the earth. Now, the verses we read refer to this rider on a white horse and he comes with great deception. He imitates peace.

The lack of the arrow indicates peace. He is thought to be a coming world leader who will receive his power from Satan. Based on passages in the prophet Daniel, he's believed to offer the world a peace agreement involving the Jewish nation.

He will act in peace during the first 3.5 years of a seven year period. The seven year period we've referred to as the Great Tribulation. Then he will show his true face after the 3.5 years which will include great persecution and martyrdom of many Christians.

He has a crown and he comes conquering. We will read those passages in the Bible about martyrdom of Christians shortly so that you will know this is what the word of God says. Some studying eschatology thought that the person in Revelation 6.1 is a reflection of the Lord Jesus Christ but it cannot be.

He is one of the writers of the apocalypse which is a judgment and we know from Revelation 19 verse 11 to 12 how Jesus comes and there are slight differences. And as we read those verses, you will see that there is a difference. And so let us turn to Revelation chapter 19 verses 11 to 12.

Then I saw heaven opened and behold a white horse and he who sat on him was called faithful and true and in righteousness he judges and makes war. His eyes were like a flame of fire and on his head were many crowns. He had a name written that no one knew except himself.

Now note that on his head were many crowns. It says here in verse 12 while in Revelation chapter six verse two only one crown was given to this writer of the apocalypse. So we know that the rider on the white horse in Revelation chapter six, he's not the son of God.

He is antichrist. Now let us turn together to Revelation chapter 13 and we will go through the whole chapter to understand this coming world leader, to understand what his character is like and to understand where his power comes from. And beloved, this coming world leader need not be the first one.

It could be the second or third or fourth. We do not know who this man is yet but we will know by his actions and what he does who he is. So in Revelation 13 one, we have a lot of images and it's difficult for us to understand this text but the images are explained in the Bible itself so that as we read these images we will understand who this person is.

And here it says in chapter 13 verse one, then I stood on the sand of the sea and I saw a beast rising up out of the sea having seven heads and 10 horns and on his horns 10 crowns and on his heads a blasphemous name. Now here the first part is where John is standing on sand and he looks at a sea and

we are wondering what is the sea and Revelation chapter 17, 15 tells us and as we turn to this text in Revelation 17 verse 15 it says, and he said to me, the waters which you saw where the harlot sits are peoples, multitudes, nations and tongues. And so here he sees peoples, multitudes, nations and tongues.

He sees the waters of the sea and then he says, I saw a beast rising up out of the sea. Is this a literal beast? Is this a human being? What is this beast? And this is explained in Revelation chapter 13 verse 18. And here it says, here is wisdom.

Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast. And here's the key now, for it is the number of a man. His number is 666.

And please note it is the number of a man. So the beast is a man rising up out of the sea. And then he has seven heads.

And what are these seven heads? And when we refer to Revelation chapter 17 verse nine, we read here, here's the mind which has wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits. The explanation of the woman here is that she represents a false religious system in the world and is described as the great harlot in Revelation chapter 17.

This harlot is drunk with the blood of the saints and martyrs of Jesus. And she's spoken of also in Revelation chapter 17 verse six. And beloved, please note that there are Christians here in the book of Revelation that are being killed by this world religious system.

And it says, and I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saints and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus. There will be many, many thousands, hundreds of thousands, an uncountable number of Christians who will be killed. And now the woman is this apostate religious woman in a religious system which sits on a city of seven mountains.

And as I investigated that, and as I researched all cities in the world with seven mountains, there's only one city with seven mountains that has such a religious system attached to it, which would appear to be the Vatican in Rome. And many believe that Rome will unite the world's religions under a religious system under its umbrella to support this coming Antichrist. Now, the next image here in this verse, Revelation 13 verse one, are the 10 horns and the crowns.

Now the 10 horns are 10 kings. And it tells us that in Revelation chapter 17 verse 12. And here it says, and the 10 horns which you saw are 10 kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast.

And so we see that the 10 crowns are 10 kings. They are 10 rulers. And then the 10 crowns are explained in Revelation chapter 17, again, verse 12 and verse 13.

Revelation 17, verse 12 and 13. And the 10 horns which you saw are 10 kings who have received no kingdom as yet, but they receive authority for one hour as kings with the beast. They are of one mind and they will give their power and authority to the beast.

And this is an indication of them giving their crowns to the beast. They're giving their power and their authority to the beast. Let us go on in Revelation chapter 13 to verse two, where we have more images.

And here we read in Revelation chapter 13, verse two. Now the beast which I saw was like a leopard. His feet were like the feet of a bear and his mouth like the mouth of a lion.

And the dragon gave him his power, his throne and his great authority. We know from Revelation 13, 18 that the beast is a man. When combining many passages, it is clear that he is this coming world leader, Antichrist.

However, the vision of the animals in this verse are not clearly given to us. They may be related to Daniel's visions of beast nations in Daniel seven verses three to eight. A leopard is agile and swift.

It is thought that this terrible man, this world leader, this coming Antichrist will control a swift and agile army with a capacity for military speed and strike force. The feet of the bear speak to his strength, which is not human but that of Satan. He has the mouth of a lion with the lust to consume and tear victims.

He's given power by the dragon. The dragon is Satan. And here at the end of verse two, it says the dragon gave him the power, his throne and great authority.

And Revelation chapter 20 verse two tells us who this dragon is. Revelation chapter 20 verse two, he laid hold of the dragon, that serpent of old, who is the devil and Satan and bound him for a thousand years. And so we know from Revelation chapter 20 verse two that the dragon is Satan and he gives great authority.

He gives power. He even gives his throne, it says here, to this man, to this Antichrist that he would rule on this earth in evil, trying to annihilate Christians and bringing us to a brink of annihilation. But Jesus will intervene.

We have a blessed, blessed hope. So beloved, even as we work through these verses, do not be discouraged for he that is in the world is not the greatest, but he that is within me is Christ Jesus, the great Lord. Now in verse three, we read of an occasion here that happens with the Antichrist.

It says, I saw one of his heads as if it had been mortally wounded and his deadly wound was healed and all the world marveled and followed the beast. A fatal wound will be inflicted upon the coming world leader Antichrist. It is likely an assassination attempt.

And Revelation 13, 14 tells us that at the end of that verse, who was wounded by the sword and live. It refers to a weapon of a sword. This may be representative of another weapon, perhaps we don't know the actual attempt that will happen.

The wound was deadly and the whole world will say that he should have died. However, the wound was healed and all the world will marvel and consider this as a miracle and follow him. This could be an imitation of our Lord Jesus Christ who rose from the dead.

In Revelation 13, verse four, we now read, so they worship the dragon. The dragon is Satan who gave authority to the beast who is this coming world leader. And they worship the beast saying who is like the beast, who's able to make war with him.

So Satan has given great authority to Antichrist and there's a twofold worship here in this verse. The worship is referred to as being that of the dragon. And we believe that the world will worship Satan believing that he is God.

And secondly, the world will worship Antichrist because here it says they worship the beast saying who is like the beast. And it appears that the Antichrist is revered by the world possibly as the Messiah, perhaps as the Mahdi or perhaps as even Christ as an aberration of the truth. He's now militarily so strong that the whole world thinks that no one can make war against him.

In Revelation 13, five, we read and he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies. And he was given authority to continue for 42 months. He will lift himself up in pride against God, speak evil against God.

He has now world dominion and power was given to him for 42 months, which is three and a half years. The 70th week of Daniel in chapter nine, verse 27 is a period of seven years. It is the 70th week of Daniel.

And during the 70th week, these things are expected to occur. An Antichrist will present a covenant or a world peace agreement likely involving the nation of Israel. This peace agreement is broken after 3.5 years when the true character of Antichrist is revealed.

And we see this true character now in verse six of Revelation chapter 13. Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God to blaspheme his name, his tabernacle and those who dwell in heaven. The Antichrist mask has now come off and he openly blasphemes the God of heaven.

He declares himself even as God. And 2 Thessalonians 2 verses three to four tells us about that. That was 2 Thessalonians chapter two, verses three and four.

Let no one deceive you by any means for that day will not come unless the falling away comes first and the man of sin is revealed the son of perdition who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped so that he sits, note this now, so that he sits as God in the temple of God showing himself that he is God. Beloved, this is such an evil picture of deception that unless we are written in the Lamb's book of life, in that book of life, unless we have accepted Christ as our savior, we will be deceived. And now in Revelation 13 verse seven, it tells us that they are again, saints and Christians on the earth during that period of time.

And so do not be deceived by rapture theories. Rapture theories are theories because we do not have a direct inference that the rapture will take place pre-tribulation, mid-tribulation or post-tribulation. In fact, post-tribulation has a verse concerning the last trumpet and there is a last trumpet when Christ returns.

So the viewpoint could well be that these Christians here that are being spoken of are those that include us that have to go through this great tribulation. And in verse seven, it says, and it was granted to him to make war with the saints and note, God even gives this person power to do what? What does your Bible say? To overcome them. An authority was given him over every tribe, tongue and nation.

Now we know from other passages in the Bible that he cannot touch our soul or spirit that is born again. We are safe in the arms of God, beloved. It is only the body that is spoken of here where Satan may have a time where he will overcome saints and they will become martyrs.

This is even happening today in many nations around the world, such as in North Korea, in China, in Iran and other Middle Eastern places where people are giving their life today. Also in Indonesia and in the Far East, in Nepal and other nations, there is persecution today. And these people are laying down their lives for the Lord Jesus Christ.

And now let us go on to verse eight, please. And there it tells us that all who dwell on the earth will worship him whose name, names have not been written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of this world. And so here it says that the masses on earth are so deceived that they will worship Antichrist as God who declares himself as God.

And Second Thessalonians 2.4 says, only those that are truly saved having their name written in the book of life will not be deceived. They will not worship Antichrist. If they're found out, they will be martyred.

So here are those that will not worship Antichrist. And if they're found out, they will be martyred. And I'm also going to refer to Matthew chapter 24 for a moment.

This is the Olivet Discourse and Jesus was sitting on the Mount of Olives and he was telling his disciples. And he says in verse seven of that text in Matthew 24 verse seven, for nation will rise against nation and kingdom against kingdom. And there will be famines, pestilences and earthquakes in various places.

And these are the beginning of sorrows. Now note what the text says. He's talking to his disciples.

He's not saying now I will keep you out of all these tribulations and trials. I will rapture you so that you don't need to go through this. No, he's not saying that beloved.

He's saying then they will deliver you up to tribulation and kill you. And you will be hated by all nations for my name's sake. And then many will be offended, will betray one another and will hate one another.

Beloved Christian, if you go to a church now where they teach you wrong doctrine, wrong things from the Bible, where they say only good will come your way, only wealth will come your way. These are lies because we need to be holy as God wants us to be holy. We need to take up our cross and follow him.

And he says, I may even want you to be that living sacrifice. A sacrifice dies. And so we may need to die for our Lord Jesus Christ.

And in Revelation 15, two, it says, and I saw something like a sea of glass mingled with fire and those who have the victory over the beast, over his image and over his mark and over the number of his name, they stand in a sea of glass having harps of God. Here we see again Christians in heaven. They have died and they were martyred and they had victory over Antichrist.

And you might ask how? And we just explained that Satan does not have power over your soul, over your eternity, over your spirit, because when you're saved, you're safe in the arms of God for eternity, but your body may yet have to be given as a witness. And beloved in Revelation 12, 11, it says, and they overcame him by the blood of the lamb and the word of their testimony. And they did not love their lives to death.

So here are three principles, beloved, three principles. These Christians overcame him by the blood of the lamb. They trusted in Jesus to such an extent that they knew they are safe in his arms because he will never leave us nor forsake us.

And then secondly, they overcame him by the word of their testimony. Are you witnessing today? Are you sharing Christ the way you ought to? And if you're not, would you start today? And then the third part is, and they did not love their lives unto death. If you are following the lies of Satan today, even through your church, leave your church.

Go somewhere else where they teach you the truth because you're not hearing the truth, beloved. And if you cannot find a church that teaches you the whole counsel of the word of God, then I beg you, leave. Go and start your own church.

Meet with other believers who believe the whole counsel of the word of God. Yes, he's a loving God. Yes, he's a good God, but he will also just, justly give judgment at the end of this world.

There is a great white throne judgment. There is a lake of fire. And so do not be deceived by men.

And Satan has given them scriptures out of context. They combine scriptures out of context. It's not the whole Bible.

And they deceive you, beloved. And so I beg you, and I'm telling you in love that God loves you so much, he wants you to be with him for eternity. And that is our wonderful and blessed hope.

And so those names who are not written in the book of life, they must go into an eternal lake of fire. And so if there is anyone watching who has not repented of their sin and has not yet called out to Jesus, asking him to save them, I urge you to do so today. Don't leave this video unless you ask the son of God to come into your life.

And you might ask, well, if I accept you're telling me, I might get killed. I'm risking my life. That is correct.

That is correct. The gospel and our giving our life to God is not a cheap thing. It's not something where only benefits are attached in the human sense, because we may need to give our life as a witness for him.

But if you reject Christ, you face an eternity in the lake of fire. And don't do that because then your soul, your whole being is lost forever. And so as Christians, God will never leave us nor forsake us.

He will also help us during an hour of trial if we have to face it. Now in Revelation chapter 13, verse nine, it says, if anyone has an ear, let him hear. If your ears have been plugged by evil teachers, by evil pastors, God help you.

Tear out those plugs from your ears that you hear, that you hear the whole word of God. And then in Revelation 13, 10, it says, he who leads into captivity shall go into captivity. He who kills with the sword must be killed with the sword.

Here is the patience and the faith of the saints. And beloved, God will judge. This is a severe warning from God.

Vengeance is mine, says the Lord. Those who cause captivity will be repaid with captivity for eternity. Those that kill will be killed.

The Lord exhorts Christians in the meantime to have patience and faith even while they're suffering. The ultimate fate of Satan, Antichrist, and the false prophet are given to us in Revelation chapter 20, verse 10. All three will be in the lake of fire and brimstone.

They will be tormented day and night forever and ever. And God is saying to us saints, be patient when you suffer. Be patient when things don't go your way.

I will repay, have faith. And then later on, you will reign with Christ, says Revelation chapter 24. The martyrs will reign with Christ, praise God.

Let us go on to verse 11. Here we have another beast coming out of the earth and he had two horns like a lamb and spoke like a dragon. So here is another beast in this text.

And we know that the first beast was a man and the second beast is also a man. And he's spoken of in Revelation chapter 19, verse 20. He's called the false prophet.

He comes as a person and is a future world religious leader. Likely he will combine Christianity with Islam and Buddhism and Hinduism and other religions bringing in a one world religion. He comes with two horns and we read before that horns represent rulership.

And so from a religious perspective, perhaps he is a ruler of Christians or he's a leader of the world council of churches, perhaps a leader also of Islam, Buddhism or Hinduism. He comes in the disguise of peace and as a lamb. However, he represents Satan and speaks as Satan with lies and deception.

You see, Satan is the father of lies. He can change himself. He can come humbly.

He can come in a picture that is acceptable to us. But the dragon is Satan as per Revelation 20, verse two. And in verse 11 here, it tells us that this man will speak like Satan, like dragon with deception, with lies.

And then in verse 12, it says that this man and he exercises all the authority of the first beast in his presence and causes the earth and those who dwell in it to worship the first beast whose deadly wound was healed. So this second world ruler, the false prophet is given demonic powers in the presence of Antichrist. The false prophet requires the world to worship Antichrist as God.

Now we see an infernal diabolical trinity which tries to imitate the eternal trinity. The dragon is Satan. He represents himself as the father.

Antichrist, the son, represents himself as the son, as the Mahdi, as Jesus. And the false prophet imitates the Holy Spirit. Antichrist imitates Christ by coming back to life.

And the false prophet causes the world to adore and worship this world leader, Antichrist. In verse 13, it tells us he performs great signs so that he even makes fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of man. This false prophet, this religious world leader is given great demonic powers from Satan to perform incredible miracles.

Like Elijah, he causes fire to fall from heaven before man. Beloved, if you're sitting in front of your television set and you watch CNN News and fire falls from heaven through this second world religious leader, would you believe it? Through this second leader who is a world religious leader, if possible, the very elect will be deceived. In Revelation 13, 14, it says, and he deceives those who dwell on the earth by those signs which he was granted to do in the sight of the beast, telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who was wounded by the sword and lived.

This false religious leader performs miracles under the inspiration of Satan in the presence of Antichrist to deceive the world. The false prophet misleads the masses to think that Antichrist is God and worthy to be worshiped. He then causes the people on earth to build a statute or image of this Antichrist, this coming world leader.

Revelation 13, 15 tells us more about this image. And there it says he was granted power to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed. And so under the power of Satan, the false prophet, this coming world religious leader will be given the power to give life to the statute of Antichrist.

The statute of Antichrist will have breath and will speak. Then worldwide worship is implemented of this Antichrist, of this world leader. Those refusing to worship this false God will be killed.

In early Christianity, those not worshiping the Roman gods or Roman leaders were martyred. This will happen again. It is thought that Antichrist will set up his image at some time point in the rebuilt temple in Jerusalem, causing the abomination of desolation.

And I believe this abomination of desolation refers to the desecration of the rebuilt temple of God in Jerusalem. It is utterly vile and repulsive to God. And in verse 16, and the last three verses now deal with this mark of this coming world leader with this number 666.

And in verse 16, it says, and he causes all both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave to receive a mark on their right end or on their foreheads. And so here we are told that in verse 16, a mark is put on each person to control that person. The world has technologies today to control all of mankind.

The global positioning system can find your cow or your dog because you put a chip into him. It is said that one major computer company has created enough computer chips for all 7 billion people today on the earth to be injected with a computer chip either in their forehead or in the top of their hand. And then in verse 17, it says, and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast or the number of his name.

This world leader and Antichrist and the false prophet, they will implement global control through the mark or computer chip over every person on the earth. This includes economic control over all the people in this world. No one can buy or sell.

No one can conduct business without a chip or a mark. You cannot get your paycheck unless you have that mark. And you cannot do anything really going from one place to another in the tram or the train or going through tolls.

You will need that mark from this coming world leader and from this world religious leader. And if people refuse to worship Antichrist and they refuse this mark, they will be killed as per verse 15. And we also read later on in Revelation 20, verse four, that by refusing to take the mark and worshiping this beast, that they will be severely persecuted.

And here it says, and I saw thrones and they sat on them and judgment was committed to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded. And here's beheading for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God who had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their forehead or on their hands.

And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. And beloved, we may need to hide. We may need to starve to death if we come to the situation because if we do accept the mark, there's eternal damnation and hell.

And so please never accept that mark. Do not accept it under any circumstances. It is far better for us to lose our life, to even starve to death than it is to take the mark and then turn against God forever and ever.

Now in Revelation 13, 18, here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast for it is the number of a man. His number is 666.

The original language could also be translated to equal the son of 666. And it says here in verse 18, let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast. So there might be an indication that it is equal to the sum of 666 rather than a straightforward number that we recognize.

So let us be wise. Let us ask the Holy Spirit to help us and to reveal to us. Here are some other marks of this coming world leader from other books in the Bible, and I give you just a one-minute summary.

Daniel 11.36, Antichrist thinks he's God. He will blaspheme God and elevate himself. He will be an oratory genius.

Daniel 11.21, he will be a political genius coming in peace. He's a schemer and full of intrigue. In Daniel 7.24, he overthrows three kings or global leaders to come to power.

In Daniel 8.24, he will have demonic powers and destroy. He will be an economic and commercial genius. Daniel 11.40, he will be a military genius.

Second Thessalonians 2.4, he will be a religious genius showing himself as God. And then in Second Thessalonians 2.9, we read also that his powers are based on Satan's powers. Daniel 11.37, he won't desire women.

He will likely be unmarried, although we don't know how all of this will transpire, but 11.37 says that he does not desire women. 11.38 says that he honors a god of fortresses. And Daniel 7.25, he persecutes and kills saints.

What we must learn today, beloved, is that we must be right with God through his son, Jesus. And then there is the solemn warning in Revelation chapter 13, verse 18. And I'm going to read this to you.

I'm sorry, the solemn warning is in Revelation chapter 14, verses nine and 10. Revelation chapter 14, nine to 10. Then a third angel followed them saying with a loud voice, if anyone receives, if anyone worships the beast and his image and receives his mark on his forehead or his hand, he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out full strength into the cup of his indignation.

And he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the lamb. Beloved, this coming world leader is not fiction. This coming world leader is a reality.

Plans are being developed for a one world government to take over the world as we speak. Today's world is politically divided. It is economically bankrupt.

It has been damaged ecologically. It is facing war and it has denied in many countries the real God of the universe, who is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. And his son is Jesus Christ.

It is not Buddha. It is not Muhammad. It is not a Hindu God.

But God spoke by a voice from heaven. And he said, this is my beloved son in whom I'm well pleased. And later on, on the Mount of Transfiguration, he said, follow him.

And he repeated again, this is my son. Follow him. This is the truth, dear beloved.

And follow the truth of the word of God in all of its parts. Do not choose certain parts that suit you because God is not mocked. He will bring judgment.

He will cleanse the whole world of evil and he will permit persecution for a while, but then the end comes. And so Matthew 10, 28 had reminded us, and do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul, but rather fear him who is able to destroy both soul and body in hell. First John 4 says, you are of God, little children, and have overcome them because he who is in you is greater than he who is in the world.

Please don't fear Antichrist. He can only kill the body. Beloved, fear our heavenly father for he can destroy our soul and body in hell if we do not accept his son, Jesus, who paid the price for our sins.

If we do not cry out to him, repent of our sins and ask him to save us. And so, beloved, in closing, I'm asking you to accept this holy son, Jesus, for the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ, our Lord. The son, the Lord Jesus Christ, he invites us freely to receive this gift of salvation.

We can repent in prayer for our sins, and we can ask Jesus to save us. And if we do not accept this free gift of God, then there is no hope for you. There's no in between.

So I ask you to repent today and turn to Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior. If you are a Christian here today, I ask you to prepare yourself and prepare your family. Decide whom you will serve this day.

Perhaps you will say, but me and my house will follow the Lord. We will serve him. Well, if you do this, then Jesus says to you, you will be hated by all nations.

For my name's sake, they will hate you. They will reject you, and they will persecute you. So you must also teach your family that.

Then deny yourself and ask for the Holy Spirit to fill you. You need love for your enemies because during that period of time of great persecution, Jesus still says, love your enemies. Bless them, pray for them, do even good for them.

And that is what a true Christian is all about. And then ask him for joy even during trials because the Holy Spirit will give you joy, but you must empty yourself. You must repent of those things that block your joy.

If it's fear, give it to God. Do not fear the situation, but have joy in your salvation, in your future. And then you need peace during this time, and the Holy Spirit will give you that peace and help you.

So repent before the Lord and pray that any impediments on the inside of you would be removed so you have love, joy, and peace. And then pray for revival. Weep and fast.

Perhaps there's yet time that God will send us revival before these great evils that are yet to come. And then Revelation 12, 11 tells us if we end up in the great tribulation, it says in Revelation 12, 11, they overcame him by the blood of the lamb. He never leaves you nor forsakes you.

They overcame him by the word of their testimony. So will you start testifying and witnessing today? Because you will be required to witness and testify during great persecution. And then the third part is don't love your life to the death.

Whatever happens, beloved, let us be together as Christians. Let us love one another. Let us be one in mind, soul, and body so that we can face together these times that must come.

Nevertheless, Lord Jesus, come, come, Lord Jesus.

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