

## 2 Thessalonians 2 – Part 2

6/3/26

- Tonight – Opportunity to give a Bible study
  - 2 Thessalonians is considered a clarification of 1 Thessalonians
  - The clarification comes into play in Chapter 2
  - Title – “2 Thessalonians 2 – Part 2”
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2 Thes. 2:1-2            notice four foundational ideas – which Paul mentioned

1. Concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ
2. We ask you not to be soon shaken in mind – not to be troubled by spirit, by word or by letter
3. Concerning “by letter” – “as if it came from us”
4. We ask you not to be troubled – as though the day of Christ had already come

2 Thes. 2:3-4            notice two specific ideas – let no one deceive you by any means  
for that Day will not come until.....

1. until the falling away comes first
2. until Anti-Christ (man of sin & son of perdition) is revealed

- Last week = Falling away
  - This week = Anti-Christ
- Let’s begin – with 2 minute video by Pastor Don Carson – given on 9/6/16  
The concept is described – in 2 Thessalonians 2  
The words are found – in some writings of John
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2. Anti-Christ – one anti-Christ & many anti-christs

2 Thes. 2:4            the man of sin (son of perdition) will be revealed – who opposes & exalts  
himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped – who sits  
as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God

John 17:12            son of perdition – Judas

1 John 2:18            it is the last hour – and as you have heard that the Anti-Christ is coming,  
even now many Anti-Christ have come – which tells us that this is  
the last hour

19            they went out from us, but they were not of us – if they had been of us,  
they would have continued with us – they went out that they might  
be made manifest, that none of them were of us

22            who is a liar? – He who denies that Jesus is the Christ? – he is antichrist  
who denies the Father and the Son

1 John 4:1 do not believe every spirit – test the spirits (whether they are of God) –  
many false prophets have gone out into the world  
2-3 every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God  
– and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come  
in the flesh is not of God – this is the spirit of the Anti-Christ –  
which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world  
2 John 1:7 many deceivers have gone out into the world, who do not confess Jesus  
Christ as coming in the flesh – this is a deceiver and an Anti-Christ

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· Let's remember – some of Christ's words

Matt. 7:21-22 prophesied in Your name – cast out demons in Your name – have done  
many wonders in Your name  
23 depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness  
Matt. 24:4-5 “many will come in My name saying, ‘I am the Christ’ ”  
Matt. 24:23 “Christ is here” – “Christ is there”  
24 false christs & false prophets – great signs & wonders – deceive the elect

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· Paul clarified in 2 Thessalonians 2

2 Thes. 2:5 do you remember that when we were with you, we told you these things?  
6 revealed in his own time  
7 mystery of lawlessness is already at work – He will have to be taken out of  
the way  
8 the lawless one will be revealed – whom the Lord will consume with the  
breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming  
9-10 the coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan – with  
power, signs & lying wonders – and unrighteous deception – who  
perish because they did not love the truth  
11-12 for this reason, God will send strong delusion – that people would believe  
a lie – that people who don't believe the truth may be condemned –  
people who have pleasure in unrighteousness

· Let's finish up, again – with encouraging words in 2 Thessalonians 2

2 Thes. 2:13 we are bound to give thanks to God – because from the beginning, God  
has chosen you for salvation through sanctification by the Spirit  
and belief in the truth  
15 stand fast and hold the traditions which you were taught  
16-17 may our Lord Jesus Christ Himself and our God and Father – comfort you  
and establish you