

**"On the Way" 365 Bible Reading Plan****II THESSALONIANS 2*****II Thessalonians 2***

The enemies of the Apostle Paul and of the Thessalonian believers sought to overthrow the faith of the newly formed assembly. They had, in essence, told them that Paul was not telling them the truth, and they twisted his words. Paul had assured the early church with the realities of the promises of the faithfulness of Jesus's words to His disciples that if He went away, He would come again and receive them to Himself. (John 14:1-6)

Now, Paul explains with great detail the realities of the coming unprecedented and unparalleled time of sorrow that Jesus called the **Great Tribulation**, or as the ancient prophets and the Apostle call it, "**The Day of the LORD.**" Rather than that day having come and gone, and unlike the "Rapture of the church," which is a mystery without a countdown, the rise of the antichrist is something that will have signs associated with his rise. There will be a great apostasy leading up to and after the time of the rapture, and the man of sin will afterward be revealed. This antichrist, Satan personified, will be one who disregards the laws of God and man, and he will

become a maker of law for everyone but will abide by no law, even the ones he sets. He is called by several different names in chapter two, such as "**man of sin,**" "**son of perdition,**" "**exalts himself above,**" and "**all lawless one.**" Most of all, he is a deceiver and will go out into the nations of the earth and deceive all of those who do not belong to Jesus, the true and living God, the true Messiah.

***"The coming of the lawless one is according to the working of Satan, with all power, signs, and lying wonders, and with all unrighteous deception among those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this reason, God will send them strong delusion, that they should believe the lie, that they all may be condemned who did not believe the truth but had pleasure in unrighteousness."*** (vv.1-12)

Please listen to the podcasts for more details of the **Day of the LORD**, the rise of the antichrist, and how we are to warn others and live in these present difficult days.



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***Prayer and Action Steps***

*Thank You, Lord, that You are the true and living God and that Your Holy Spirit lives in my heart. Please help me to continue reading, studying, and living in obedience to Your Word in order that I might know how to live in these last days. Amen*