

Summary

This week we continue to build on the books of Daniel and Matthew about "the end times," as we look at topics such as the Antichrist, the Tribulation, the Rapture, and Jesus' return.

In 1 Thessalonians, we read about the Lord's return and the hope we have for both those who have died in Christ and those who are still living.

In John 14, Jesus promises His disciples that He, Himself, is preparing a place for them and will return to take them to be with Him.

As we consider the Antichrist and the events of the last days, we are not called to fear or be divided, but to live with hope, remain united in our faith, trust God's promises, live with an urgency and eagerly anticipate Jesus's return and His ultimate triumph over evil.

Upcoming Events

- **BRIDGE WOMEN GATHERING**
October 5th // 6:30pm
Text **"WOMEN"** to 602-600-6711
- **FAITH NIGHT @ TBC SHEA**
October 9th // 7:00pm
- **BRIDGE MEN NIGHT**
Thursday, October 22nd // 6:30pm
Text **"MEN"** to 602-600-6711
- **WORSHIP CHOIR**
The Worship Choir is back and ALL are invited to participate!
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Note: all scripture is equally true but not equally clear. While faithful Christians may disagree about the timing and sequence of Jesus' return, or the role of the Antichrist, Scripture makes it clear that He will return and be triumphant.

Understanding the Text

1. Did anything from the sermon deepen or clarify your understanding of the Antichrist, the Tribulation, or the Rapture?
2. Read 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12. What does this passage teach us about the man of lawlessness, and what do you learn about the nature of truth and deception?
3. Read John 14:1-4 and 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18. In what ways do these passages reveal Jesus' heart for His followers, and what do they teach us about the certainty of His return and what awaits believers?

How We Live (Evidence of Spiritual Maturity)

The "man of lawlessness" reveals the reality of a life entrapped in sin and rebellion against God.

4. Rooted in God's Word

- Where might a spirit of rebellion show up in your life? Are there areas where you are tempted to live as though you are your own master rather than trusting and submitting to God?
- How can you remain rooted in God's Word as you navigate the struggles and challenges you are facing today?

The Character of Christ (Evidence of Transformation)

The last days are not meant to create fear about the future, but to give us hope in Christ's return and urgency in how we live today.

5. Compassion and On Mission

- Who needs to hear the Gospel from you today?
- What is your biggest takeaway this week about living faithfully in light of the last days?

God, thank You that our future is secure in You. When the world around us feels uncertain and conversations about the last days stir up fear or confusion, help us remain anchored in Your Word and confident in Your promises. Guard our hearts against deception, distraction, and the temptation to place our hope in anything other than Jesus. Give us wisdom to recognize what is true, courage to remain faithful, and compassion for those who do not yet know You. Remind us that Your desire is not for us to live consumed by fear, but to live with hope and purpose. Stir our hearts for the people around us who need to experience Your love and hear the Gospel. In Jesus' name, Amen!

This week, ask yourself:

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