

Trinity Bible Church

The Carpenter's House

July 15, 2012

The Message:

Markers of The Antichrist

1 John 2:18-24

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday July 15 Deacons' Meeting.
Wednesday July 18 The Olivet Discourse-Prophetic Interpretation.
Sunday July 22 Pot Luck after church.
Going away party for Joanne Martin.
Sunday Aug 5 The Lord's Table.

- ** Sign up sheet for Pot Luck on back table.
- ** If anyone would like to be baptized, please see Drue. We will try to set up a service this summer.
- ** Partnership with Child Evangelism Fellowship at the OK State Fair, September 13-23. See attached invitation and talk to Dan Hensley.

	June	Total 2012	General Fund	Building Fund	Missions YTD
Income	\$ 4,868.00	\$45,884.94		\$5,496.89	\$10,776.00
Expenses	7,140.86	50,419.08		Benevolence	6,821.00
Balance	(2,272.86)	(-4,534.14)	\$ 11,962.89	\$ 913.74	3,955.00

ANNOUNCEMENTS & OFFERING

Hymns

The Message:

Being a Witness in the Last Days

Be Alert!!

1 Thes 5:1-5

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1. The term "Antichrist" in its generic sense refers to anyone or any worldview that denies Jesus as the "God-man Messiah."
2. There will be a living person during "Daniel's Seventieth Week" who will be the culmination of all those world views, the Antichrist. 1 John 2:18
 - A. He is the Dictator of the Revived Roman Empire. Rev 17:10-11
 - B. He is known as:
 - a. Little Horn. Dan 8:9
 - b. Prince. Dan 9:26
 - c. Beast from the Sea. Rev 13:1-2
 - d. Man of Lawlessness. 2 Thes 2:3
 - f. Son of Destruction. 2 Thes 2:3
3. He will be:
 - A. A Super Genius. Dan 7:8
 - B. A Great Orator. Dan 7:8
 - C. A Great Philosopher. Dan 8:23
 - D. A deceitful and clever politician. Dan 8:25
 - E. Strong and attractive in appearance. Dan 7:20
 - F. A military genius. Rev 13:4
 - G. Satan possessed. Dan 8:24; Rev 13:2
 - H. A materialistic pantheist. Dan 11:38
 - I. Claiming to be a god. Dan 11:37; 2 Thes 2:4
 - J. A homosexual. Dan 11:37
 - K. A Super Blasphemer. Rev 13:1,6; Dan 11:36-37
 - L. Promoting himself as a Messiah. Dan 11:36-37
 - M. A Gentile. Rev 13:3; Dan 9:26
 - N. A performer of many signs. 2 Thes 2:9
4. He will rise to power:
 - A. By working miracles. Rev 13:2
 - B. By military treachery. Rev 13:4
 - C. By killing God's two witnesses. Rev 11:7
5. He lived prior to the Apostle John. Rev 11:7; 13:3,12,14; 17:8,11
 - A. His manifestation is not permitted in the Church Age. 2 Thes 2:5-8
 - B. He will be healed from a "Head Wound" that was really a "plague of death, thus "resurrected." Rev 13:3
6. He consolidates the old Roman Empire.
 - A. The seven heads: Babylon, Assyria, Egypt, Persia, Greece, Rome, Revived Roman Empire. Rev 17:10-11

- B. He defeats 3 of 10 nations in rise to power. Dan 7:8,24
 - C. He destroys the remnant of unbelieving European Catholicism. Rev 17:16-18
 - D. He makes a 7 year covenant with Israel, midway through the Tribulation, agreeing to protect them in exchange for worship. Dan 9:27; Rev 13:5
 - E. He practices genocide against all who oppose him, both Jews and Gentiles. Rev 12:13-17; 13:15
 - F. His rule over Israel is for 42 months. Rev 13:5
7. He is a special enemy of Jesus Christ as a counterfeit Messiah. Dan 7:25; 8:25; 2 Thes 2:4,11
- A. Since he is from the past he can easily claim to be Messiah. Rev 17:8
 - B. He counterfeits the Second Advent conquering nations who oppose him.
 - C. He will offer Israel the Millennium. Isa 28:15-22
 - D. He seats himself in the temple, probably after being encouraged to do so. 2 Thes 2:3-4
 - E. He seeks to destroy those who do not believe him. Matt 25:31-46
 - F. He will probably distort scripture to authenticate himself, which is a common ploy of Satan. Cf. Gen 3:1-5; Matt 4:1-11
 - G. Unbelievers seeking "heaven on earth" will be an easy prey.
8. The "Mark of the Beast." Rev 14:9, 11; 13:16, 17; 16:2; 19:20; 20:4
1. The words "and" and "or" are key to properly understanding the "Mark."
 2. The Intent of the Mark is control. Rev 13:16-17
 - A. The "Mark" is instituted with the establishment of the idol in the Temple. Rev 13:14-15 cf 2 Thes 2:8
 - B. The "Mark" consists of the Beast's name or number branded on the forehead or right hand or both. Rev. 14:9, 11; 13:16, 17; 20:4
 - C. The "Mark" is designed to control all social, economic, religious and political strata of society.
 - D. The "Mark" will bring with it a promise from a self-proclaimed divine being, probably offering godhood. Cf. Acts 17:29
 - E. It is reasonable to suppose that the Antichrist and False Prophet will claim that the 144,000 have the "Mark of the Beast," and what they offer is the true "mark of God." Cf. Rev 7:3; 14:1
 - F. The "Mark" is never universal, as evidenced by the 144,000, but it is the Beast's objective.
 - G. To worship the Beast requires receipt of the "Mark," so to deny the "Mark" instantly places one in religious jeopardy.
9. The world has been preparing for his coming since before the 1st Century.

1 Thessalonians 5 Be Alert (5:1-11)

- A. Be Alert. 5:1-11
- B. Be Relational. 5:12-22
- C. Be Sanctified. 5:23-24
- D. Personal Requests. 5:25-28

1 Thes 5:1 = The Model Church Was Well Informed Of "Last Things".

E.T./L.T. = Now as to the succession of events and the specific seasons, brethren, you have no need of anything to be written to you.

Principle #1: Spiritual _____ requires some knowledge about the last days.

1 Thes 5:2 = Item 1: The Suddenness Of The Day Of The Lord.

E.T./L.T. = For you yourselves precisely know that a day of the Lord is going to come as a thief at night.

Principle #2: The return of the Lord will _____ most as it will be in "the twinkling of an eye, and many will suffer loss." 1 Cor 15:50-58 cf 1 Thes 4:16

1 Thes 5:3 = Item 2: The World's Facade Before The Day Of The Lord.

5:3 E.T./L.T. = While they are saying, "Peace and Safety!" then destruction is going to stand upon them suddenly like birth pangs upon a woman with child and they absolutely may not escape

Principle #3: The _____ of man trying to save himself are death and destruction.

1 Thes 5:4 = Darkness Blinds One To The Times.

E.T./L.T. = But you yourselves, brethren, are not in darkness that the day (of the Lord just referred to) should overtake you like a thief;

Principle #4: To those who are _____, the Rapture will be sudden but not surprising.

1 Thes 5:5 = The Light Opens The Eyes-Relationship.

E.T./L.T. = for you yourselves are all sons of light and sons of day. We ourselves are not of night nor darkness.

Principle #5: A son of light has a timely _____ with the Lord Jesus Christ and thus should not be totally surprised.