

The Rise and Fall of the Anti-Christ

2 Thessalonians 2:1-12

How will the Anti-Christ deceive the world into giving him power?

1. The anti-Christ will rise to power on the promise of international peace and security. (1 Thess. 5:2,3)
2. The anti-Christ will have great supernatural powers. (vs. 9)
3. The anti-Christ will control personal identity, movement and all buying and selling. (Rev. 13:16-18)
4. The anti-Christ will promote worldwide drug use to make people compliant. (Rev. 18:23)
5. The anti-Christ will hold on to power through intimidation. (Rev. 13:4-5)

What signifying event did Jesus predict that the anti-Christ will do in the middle of the seven-year tribulation? (Matt. 24:15, 21, 22)

What is keeping the anti-Christ from being revealed today? (vs. 6-8a)

How will it all end? What has God planned for the anti-Christ and his evil kingdom? (vs. 8)

Conclusion: How can you prepare for what is coming?

1. Be saved (Acts 16:31)
2. Be informed (1 Thessalonians 4:13)
3. Be Christlike (1 John 2:28)
4. Be ready (Matthew 24:44)
5. Be encouraged (1 Thessalonians 5:9-11)