

# Decrypting the Book of Revelation Season 2

## When Will the Anti-Christ Arise?



### Scripture

- **Daniel 8:23-25**

“In the latter period of their rule, when the transgressors have run their course, a king will arise insolent and skilled in intrigue by his own power. His power will be mighty, but not by his own power. And he will destroy to an extraordinary degree and prosper and perform his will; he will destroy mighty men and the holy people. And through his shrewdness he will cause deceit to succeed by his influence. And he will magnify himself in his heart, and he will destroy many while they are at ease. He will even oppose the Prince of princes, but he will be broken without human agency.

- **Revelation 22:11**

Let the one who does wrong still do wrong and the one who is filthy still be filthy.

- **2 Thessalonians 2:7-12**

For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only he who now restrains will do so until he is taken out of the way. Then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His coming; that is, the one whose coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all power and signs and false wonders and with all the deception of wickedness for those who perish, because they did not receive the love of the truth so as to be saved. For this reason God will send upon them a deluding influence so that they will believe what is false, in order that they all may be judged who did not believe the truth, but took pleasure in wickedness.

### Other Scriptures

- I Chronicles 12:32
- Matthew 6:9-13

### Main Points

- Scripture helps us understand the signs of the times that we are living in.
- The Anti-Christ is talked about in the Old Testament.
- When will the anti-Christ arise?
  - When people are lacking identity.
  - When there is economic instability.
  - When transgression has run its course.

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### **Questions for Discussion**

1. Is it Biblical for us to watch for signs of the times? Why do we want to do this?
2. What will be the condition of those who will accept the anti-Christ? Why will they accept him when previous generations would not?
3. Who is the restrainer? What will happen once He stops holding back sin?
4. What do you think it means to be prepared for His coming? Who are some people that you know that are not ready? Don't give up your prayers for them and your respectful witnessing opportunities.