

**[2 Thessalonians]  
Lesson 7**

**The Antichrist**

**(2 Thessalonians 2-3)**



# 1. Do NOT Be Afraid!



(2 Thess. 2:1) Now we (Paul) beseech (ask) you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together (Rapture) unto him (Jesus), (2) That ye be not soon shaken (doubt) in mind, or be troubled (afraid / worry), neither by spirit (prophecy), nor by word (speaking), nor by letter as from us (Paul), as that the day of Christ (Day of the Lord) is at hand (now / soon).

# Rapture

Dates Unknown



**Return of Christ FOR His Church**

**Tribulation**

**Return of Christ WITH His Church**

**1000-year rule of Christ**

**Final judgment of Satan and all unbelievers**

**New Heavens and New Earth**  
*"... from everlasting to everlasting, You are God."*  
Psalms 90:2

# End Time Events

## 2. The Day of the Lord, When??



**\*When the full world is in rebellion (apostasy) against God and the Bible**

**\*When the Antichrist is revealed**

**\*When the Holy Spirit stops working in the church in the world (Rapture has happened)**

**(2 Thess. 2:3) Let no man deceive you by any means (way): for that day (Day of the Lord) shall not come, except (if not) there come a falling away (apostasy) first,...**

**...and that man of sin (Antichrist) be revealed (open show), the son of perdition (Antichrist) [perdition = destruction]; (4) Who opposeth (against) and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.**

**(5) Remember ye not, that, when I (Paul) was yet with you, I (Paul) told you these things?**

(2 Thess. 2:6) **And now ye know what withholdeth**  
(hold—stop) **that he** (Antichrist) **might be revealed in his**  
**time. (7) For the mystery of iniquity doth** (does)  
**already** (now) **work: only he** (Holy Spirit) **who now**  
**letteth** (hold—stop) **will let** (hold—stop), **until he be**  
**taken out of the way** [Rapture happens].

Same as Holy Spirit is working with the Church to hold—stop  
Satan from full control of all in the world, so also Satan is  
working with his people to rebel against Jesus and the Bible.

## The Day of the Lord, When??

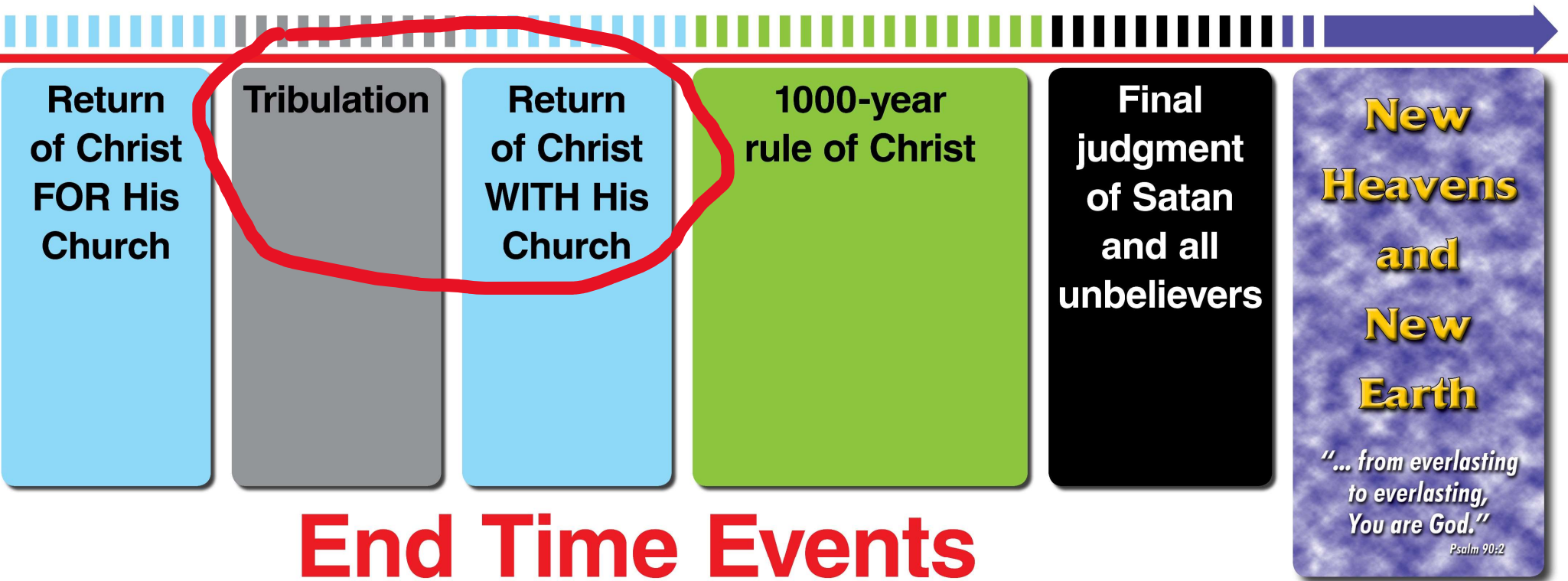
***“for that day (Day of the Lord) shall not come, except:”***

1. ***“there come a falling away (apostasy) first”***
2. ***“that man of sin (Antichrist) be revealed,”***
3. ***“he (Holy Spirit) be taken out of the way [Rapture].”***



# Day of Christ / Day of the Lord

Dates Unknown



### **3. Jesus Will Destroy the Antichrist**



(2 Thess. 2:8) *And then shall **that Wicked** (Antichrist) **be revealed** (show), **whom the Lord shall consume** (destroy) **with the spirit of his mouth** (Speaking—Word of the Lord), and shall destroy with the **brightness** (glory) **of his coming** [Jesus Second Coming / Day of the Lord]:*





## 4. The Antichrist's Deception (lies)



BUT WHOM SAY YE THAT I AM?

(2 Thess. 2:9) Even him (Antichrist), whose coming is after (same) the working of Satan with all power and signs (proofs) and lying wonders (miracles), (10) And with all deceivableness (lies) of unrighteousness in them that perish (go to Hell); because they received not the love of the truth (Jesus—Bible), that they might (possible) be saved.



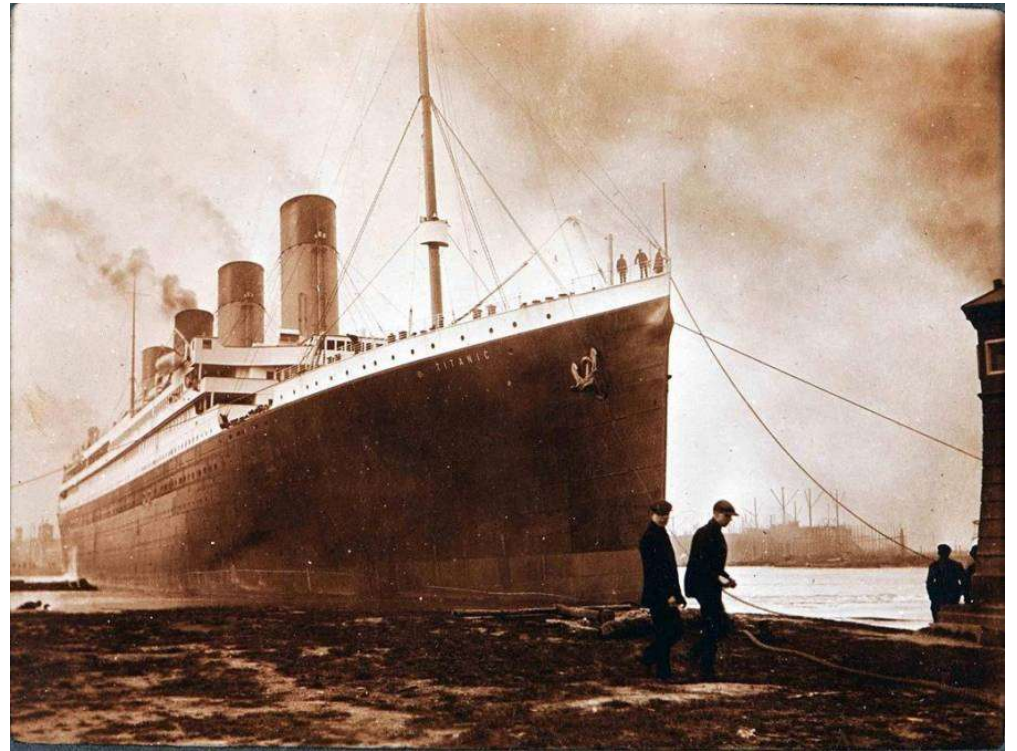
**(2 Thess. 2:11) And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion (lies), that they should believe a lie: (12) That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure (enjoy) in unrighteousness.**



**April 10, 1912**

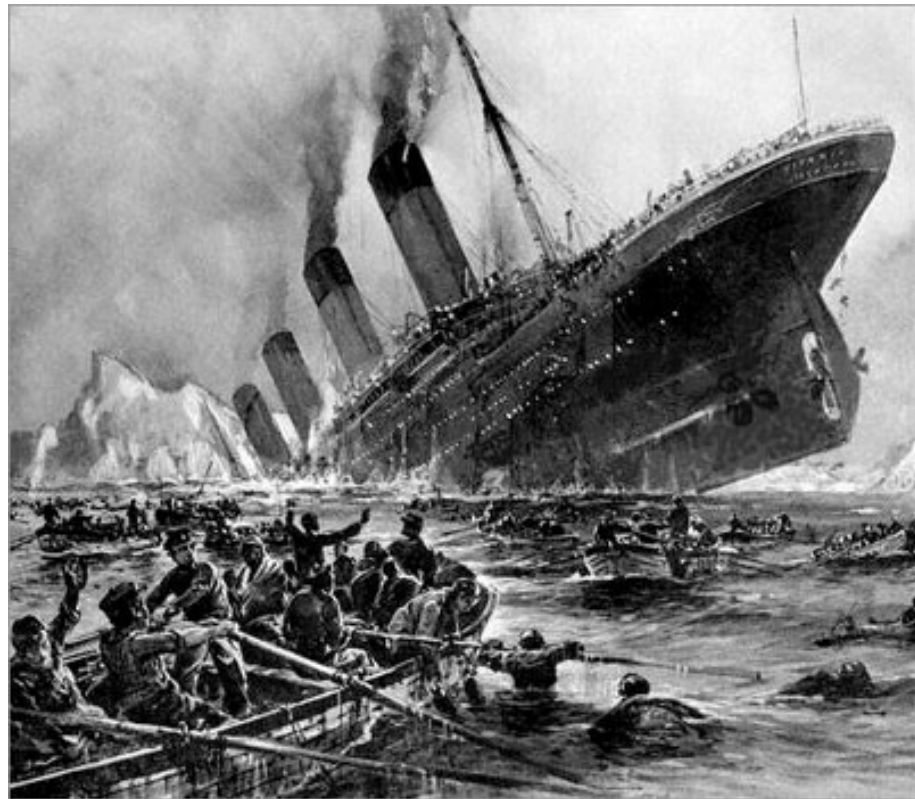
**Man said:**

**'God Himself Could Not Sink This Ship (Titanic)'**





**Five days later...**  
**April 15, 1912**  
**the Titanic sunk**





**In the early 1900s man thought:**  
**World Peace soon!**

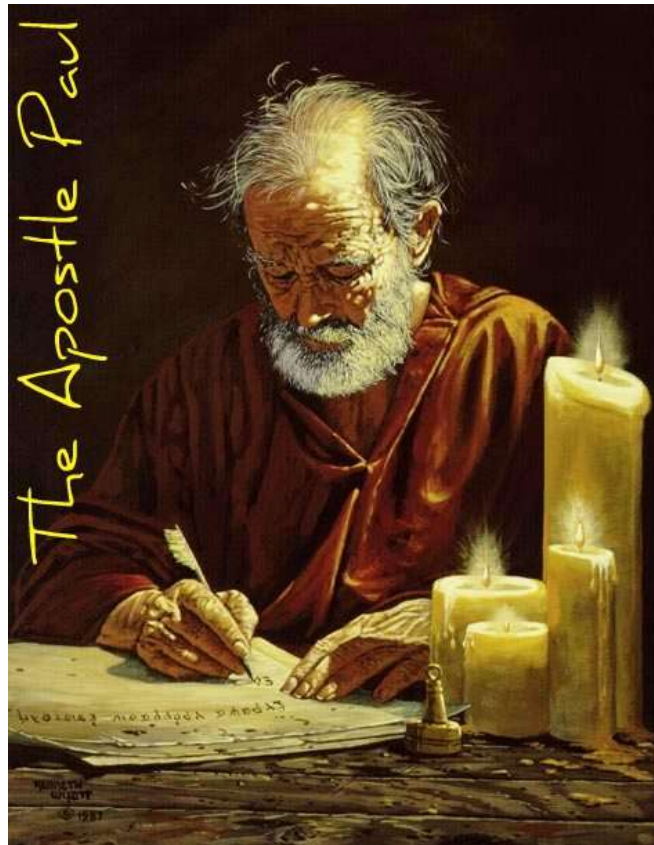
**Then 1914-1918: WW I**

**Then 1939-1945: WW II**

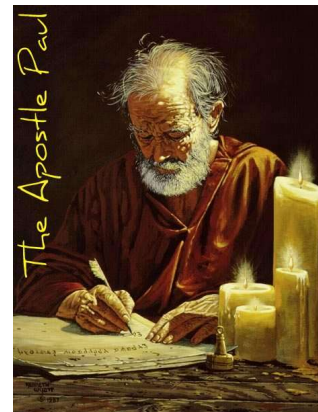
Again today, this world boasts of its power and dreams of world peace and unity.



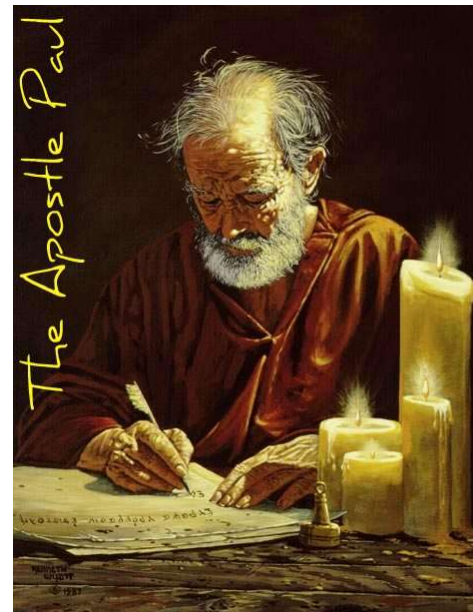
## 5. The Second Letter Finished— “Goodbye!”



(2 Thess. 2:13) *But we (Paul) are bound (must) to give thanks alway to God for you, brethren beloved of the Lord, because God hath from the beginning [before Creation] chosen you to salvation through sanctification (make holy) of the Spirit and belief of the truth: (14) Whereunto (so) he called you by our (Paul's) gospel, to the obtaining (receive) of the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.*



(2 Thess. 2:15) *Therefore, **brethren**, stand fast (continue—stay), and hold (continue obey) the traditions (Bible) which **ye** have been taught, whether (both) by word (voice—speaking), or our (Paul's) epistle (letter).*



(2 Thess. 3:16) Now the **Lord of peace himself** give **you** peace always by all means (in everything). The **Lord** be with **you all**. (17) The salutation (Hi) of Paul with mine own hand (Paul himself write), which is the token (proof) in every epistle (letter): so I (Paul) write. (18) The grace of **our Lord Jesus Christ** be with **you all**. Amen.

