

IS OUR PRESIDENT THE ANTICHRIST

Jn. 5:43

John 5:43 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

Jesus says they are rejecting Him but they will accept one who comes in his own name. This is a reference to the Antichrist.

There is a man is coming who the world will follow.

1. THE WARNING OF GOD IS CLEAR I Th. 5:1-3

The Lord warns us about what will happen.

To warn means to make aware of danger beforehand. Things are going to get bad.

A man is coming that the entire world will follow. In order for this to happen there are several things that must take place.

IT'S GOING TO TAKE SELFISH PEOPLE

Our thoughts are being tampered with by modern thinking. The attitude of the average American is "what will government do for me".

People vote with one question in mind "what will he do for me. What can I get out of it"?

I want to say clearly, the government not responsible for taking care of me. I am responsible to take care of my needs.

IT'S GOING TO TAKE SERIOUS PROBLEMS

There will have to be problems that are worse than normal. In order for the world to follow a man, there must be a desperation. They will be so desperate they are willing to follow anyone who can fix the mess the world is in.

Obama is a perfect example of a man who has risen to power quickly. He is who no one knows and he refuses to answer questions about himself, yet multitudes are flocking after him.

Just in case you think I am prejudice, the same is true of Sarah Palin.

IT'S GOING TO TAKE SATANIC POWER

1 Jn 4:3 ... spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

The spirit of Antichrist is already at work. He only reason he hasn't done more is because the Holy Spirit is hindering him.

IT'S GOING TO TAKE A SOVEREIGN PLAN

2 Th 2:7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

In spite of all that is going on, there is a sovereign God who is allowing it.

Neither candidate is the answer. The only answer is our Lord.

Antichrist is coming / world leader

1. He'll be empowered by Satan

He is a tool in devil's hand and carries out his will

Dan. 8:24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power.

Rev 13:2 ... the dragon gave him his power

He'll be evil. He's called man of sin and the son of perdition

2 Th 2:8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed

2. He'll be a great orator.

Dan. 11:36 shall speak marvellous things...

3. He'll be a political genius.

Rev 6:2he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

People will flock to him

4. He'll be a master of deceit.

2 Th 2:9with all power and signs and lying wonders,

People will believe whatever he says

5. He'll make a 7 year covenant with Israel but will break it after 3 ½ years.

Dan. 9:27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease,

6. He'll attempt to destroy all of Israel.

Rev 12:4 and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

7. He'll try to destroy all those who get saved.

Rev. 13:7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them:

2. **THE WRATH OF GOD IS COMING** v. 9 "not appointed us to wrath"

The Tribulation Period is a time when God's undiluted wrath is poured out on this world.

Matthew 24:21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

Rev 6:17 ...the great day of his wrath is come

God's mercy will run out.

Anti-Christ comes promising peace and for 3 ½ years there is peace. It seems like he has the answer to problems of the world, but it's a lie.

THEN TROUBLE COMES

Joel 1:15 ...for the day of the LORD is at hand, and as a destruction from the Almighty shall it come.

Joel 2:11 the day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?

NATURAL EFFECTS

The Tribulation Period will be a time of famine, pestilence, hail storms, violence.

People will try to commit suicide but the Lord will not let them die.

Revelation 6:16 And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

3. **THE WILL OF GOD IS CRITICAL**

1 Thessalonians 5:8 But let us, who are of the day, be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love; and for an helmet, the hope of salvation.

What do we do now? What CAN we do? Can we do ANYTHING?

Like never before, doing God's will is more important than ever.

The church will not go through. The Lord will come to receive those who know Him before the Tribulation Period begins.

1 Thessalonians 5:9 For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,

He has not appointed us to wrath.

Revelation 4:1 ...Come up hither

Just like God took Lot out of Sodom before He sent judgment, He will remove His own before the wrath falls during the Tribulation Period.

Re 3:10 ...I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

1 Thessalonians 5:5 Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

We are children of light and not a people of the night.

Just like when night is coming, there is time between light and darkness. There is a gradual transition from light to darkness. We'll see some trouble coming. We'll see the darkness coming.

WHAT CAN WE DO?

WE CAN BE REDEEMED

Make sure you are saved.

It is your only hope. If you aren't saved you will not be equited to handle all that will happen.

If you've heard the gospel and refused, you will be condemned. You will not have a chance to get saved after the Rapture.

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

The bible teaches there will be a mark given during the Tribulation Period. This mark is called "the beast". A person must have this mark in order to buy or sell. Receiving this mark condemns a person

Revelation 13:16-17 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

WE CAN BE REASONABLE

We shouldn't go overboard. The world hasn't come to end, all is not lost. We can still trust God no matter what.

WE CAN BE RESPECTFUL

We should honor the position of president. We may not like Obama, but he is our president.

Ro 13:1-2 Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God. Whosoever therefore resisteth the power, resisteth the ordinance of God: and they that resist shall receive to themselves damnation.

Lk 20:25 ...Render therefore unto Caesar the things which be Caesar's, and unto God the things which be God's.

WE CAN BE RIGHT

I can't do much about world but I can make sure I'm right with God.

Tit 2:11-12 For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;

His grace doesn't just save us, it teaches us how to live godly in an evil world.

We can live right in last days. We don't have to be overcome by the devil and the world's evil influence.

WE CAN BE READY

We should be ready to leave. We should not be holding to anything too tightly.

4. THE WORK OF GOD IS COMPLETED

We must realize, God has been working the entire time, through all of this. He has not lost control. The devil has not overcome God. The devil is going to lose.

MANY SAVED DURING TRIBULATION

Revelation 7:9 After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number...

Revelation 7:13-14 And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they? And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

DEVIL WILL LOSE

The Antichrist will be utterly defeated by the Lord at the Battle of Armageddon.

2 Th 2:8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

Revelation 19:11-16 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. His eyes *were* as a flame of fire, and on his head *were* many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. And he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God. And the armies *which were* in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. And he hath on *his* vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

He'll be the first creature thrown into the lake of fire.

Revelation 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

IS OBAMA ANTICHRIST? I don't think he is but he sure shows us how quickly someone can rise to power and how multitudes will blindly follow any man who says they have the answer and will get them out of the mess they are in.

One day, some day, a man will come and the world will follow him.....all the way to hell.