

## Satan Is Behind the Man of Sin

### 2 Thessalonians 2:9-10a

Recall Luke 16:29-31; Matthew 7:21-23; 24:21-24.

**Verse 9** – See 2 Corinthians 11:12-14; Romans 15:18-19.

Scripture regularly speaks of “signs and wonders” in combination. Examples include:

John 4:48; Acts 5:12; Matthew 24:14

There are two views regarding how Paul intends the genitival use of the Greek word *pseúdos* (*lie, falsehood*) to be understood here.

*First*, there is the view that Paul intends the term *pseúdos* to refer to *counterfeit* signs and wonders.

*Second*, there is the view that Paul intends the term *pseúdos* to refer to the *origin* and thus also the *purpose* of the signs and wonders, indicating that they are intended to promote a lie.

**Verse 10** – Those who are perishing succumb to Satan’s lies because they do not love the truth, i.e. the Word of God.