

Week Three: Deceivers on your doorstep

2 John

Once again we are looking at the invasion of antichrists in two parts.

- 1) The forerunners of the Antichrist – the antichrists”
- 2) The revelation of the Antichrists – The “beast”

1 Jn 2:18 Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour.

Learn to Discern:

1. First we must know the Truth: (verse 1-3)
 - a. 2 Ti 2:15 *Be diligent to present yourself approved to God, a worker who does not need to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.*
 - b. 2 Ti 3:6 *For of this sort are those who creep into households and make captives of gullible women loaded down with sins, led away by various lusts,*
 - c. The truth _____ us (verse 1)
 - d. The truth _____ us (verse 2) 1 Jn 4:13
 - e. The truth _____ believers (verse 3)
2. We must walk in the Truth (verse 4-6)
 - a. The apostle was _____ that they were walking in the truth. (verse 4)
 - b. The apostle was _____ that they keep walking in love. (Verse 5-6) 1 Jn 3:23
3. We must remain in the Truth (verse 7-11) 1 Jn 2:19 *They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.* NOTE: there are many deceivers! Why so many? These deceivers are “antichrists”.- verse 7.
 - a. We are in danger of going _____ (verse 8)
 - b. We are in danger of going _____(too far or transgressing) (verse 9)
 - c. We are in danger of going _____ (10-11)
 - i. Ro 12:13 distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality.

- ii. 1 Ti 3:2 A bishop then must be blameless, the husband of one wife, temperate, sober-minded, of good behavior, hospitable, able to teach;
 - iii. 1 Tim 5:9-10 Do not let a widow under sixty years old be taken into the number, and not unless she has been the wife of one man, 10 well reported for good works: if she has brought up children, if she has lodged strangers, if she has washed the saints' feet, if she has relieved the afflicted, if she has diligently followed every good work.
 - iv. Heb 13:2 Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some have unwittingly entertained angels.
 - v. 1 Pe 4:8 And above all things have fervent love for one another, for "love will cover a multitude of sins." 9 Be hospitable to one another without grumbling. 10 As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.
- d. Why was John so adamant about this? Because he did not want any of God's children to:
- i. (1) give a false teacher the impression that his heretical doctrine was _____;
 - ii. (2) become infected because of association and possible friendship
 - iii. (3) give the false teacher _____ to use at the next place he stopped.
4. We must be _____ concerning the truth (verse 12-13)
- a. Learn the truth, Live the truth and you will easily identify the errors.