

# Sermon Notes



Title: "Christians Have No Cause to Be Disturbed About the End of the World" Part 1

Text: 2 Thessalonians 2:1-17

Theme: We have no cause to be disturbed about the Day of the Lord, but neither have we cause to be disinterested either. It will happen at the proper time. Until then, let us live with confidence, hope, love, as we stand firm on what God has revealed in His Word.

I. The Issue that Needed \_\_\_\_\_ (1-2)

II. \_\_\_\_\_ that Must Occur \_\_\_\_\_ the Day of the Lord Comes (3-5)

III. The Coming of the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ (6-10)

IV. The \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ through the Man of Lawlessness (11-12)

V. Christians Are to \_\_\_\_\_ and Hold to the Apostolic \_\_\_\_\_ (13-15)

VI. Prayer for God's \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (16-17)

## VII. Applications

A. God's people have no reason to be \_\_\_\_\_ when \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ seem to get out of \_\_\_\_\_.

B. \_\_\_\_\_ occurrences are not automatic \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ is behind such \_\_\_\_\_ events

C. Christ has not yet \_\_\_\_\_ but He will, and when He does we will be \_\_\_\_\_ with Him.

**Questions to Discuss and Consider at Home or in Small Group:**

1. What is the issue did Paul address that was upsetting the Thessalonian church (vv. 1a)?
2. What event is coordinate with the coming of Christ (v. 1b)? What is this event sometimes called?
3. How was the Thessalonian church reacting to this matter (v. 2a)?
4. What does Paul suspect may have been some of the sources that caused this disturbance in the church (v. 2b)?
5. What is Paul's verdict as to whether or not the Day of the Lord had come (v. 2b)?
6. What two events must transpire before the Day of the Lord can come (v 3)?
7. Why hadn't the man of lawlessness come on the scene yet (v. 6)?
8. What will happen to the Man of Lawlessness (v. 8)?
9. What will characterize this person's coming (v. 9)?
10. How is God at work through the Man of Lawlessness (vv. 11-12)?
11. What are Christians to do so that they will not be deceived (v.15)?
12. For what does Paul pray regarding the Thessalonian church (vv. 16-17)?
13. What other times in history have Christians been worried about the end of the world?
14. Why do you suppose a Christian might be upset or disturbed at the prospect of the return of Christ?
15. What Church father in the fifth century ministered to a populace that lived through the downfall of the Roman empire? What literary classic did he write to explain the reason for Rome's downfall?
16. Have you ever been worried or concerned that the end of the world might be at hand? If so, what caused you to be concerned? If not, what keeps you calm and composed during various tumults that take place in the world?
17. Are all miracles from God? How can we know what supernatural things are from the Lord and what are not?
18. Why would God permit deceptive wonders and miracles to be done by false prophets?
19. How can Christians fortify themselves against being deceived by sensational events or messages from the powers of Satan?
20. How does the fact of Christ's return and our gathering together with Him animate you in the present?