

# **Daniel; Signs Of The End**

**3-22-15**

Daniel 9:26c (ESV)

To the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed  
(During The Time of the Holy Spirit).

**The issue at hand for the early church and for us today during the Time of the Holy Spirit; when is Jesus returning?**

2 Thessalonians 2:1–2 (ESV)

Now concerning **the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our being gathered together to him**, we ask you, brothers, <sup>2</sup> not to be quickly shaken in mind or alarmed, either by a spirit or a spoken word, or a letter seeming to be from us, to the effect **that the day of the Lord has come**.

**The Points of concern:**

- **the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ**
- **our being gathered together to him**
- **the day of the Lord**  
(Note: The Day of the LORD throughout Scripture refers to a time of God's wrath.)

**What will we see as the Day of the Lord approaches? Three Birth Pains will be manifested with ever increasing intensity.**

**(Note: As in birth there is growing intensity until the point of delivery.)**

**Birth pain #1, until the end there will be wars and turmoil with ever increasing intensity. We have this from the lips of Jesus.**

Matthew 24:3–8 (ESV)

<sup>3</sup> As he sat on the Mount of Olives, the disciples came to him privately, saying, “Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign of your coming and of the end of the age?” <sup>4</sup> And Jesus answered them, “See that no one leads you astray. <sup>5</sup> For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and they will lead many astray. <sup>6</sup> And you will hear of wars and rumors of wars. See that you are not alarmed, for this must take place, but the end is not yet. <sup>7</sup> For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom, and there will be famines and earthquakes in various places. <sup>8</sup> **All these are but the beginning of the birth pains.**

**Birth pain #2, rebellion against God will grow with ever increasing intensity culminating with the revealing of the anti-Christ.**

2 Thessalonians 2:3–4 (ESV)

<sup>3</sup> Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, **unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed**, the son of destruction, <sup>4</sup> who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God.

**Man of Lawlessness is the little horn we were introduced to in Daniel 7 who will make a covenant of peace for 7 years in Daniel 9 which he beaks 3 and ½ years into the agreement. Also it should be noted that this is one place people point out as evidence that the Jews must return to Jerusalem and rebuild the Temple because 2Thess.2:4 indicates the anti-Christ is to go into the Temple of God and there proclaim himself God. Also all end time events revolve around Israel. Thus, the analogy last week of the roller coaster. However, these verses give us a very insightful point about determining the end times. When Paul wrote this he was very familiar with Daniel, the ten toes, ten horns, and the 70<sup>th</sup> week or seven years. However, when he was asked about the Lord's return, he did not comment on any of this. Paul basically said that there was only one thing we needed to be aware of, "The Man of Lawlessness will come before that day." Next week we will look at this person in more detail. Also, John warned us that a similar evil is already at work and growing in intensity: Preparing People!**

**1 John 2:18 (ESV)**

**Children, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. Therefore we know that it is the last hour.**

**Birth pain #3, Satan's activity will become evident with ever increasing intensity: Preparing People!**

2 Thessalonians 2:9 (ESV)

**The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders.**

**WHEN? No one knows the time!!!! No matter what things look like now, God could shuffle the cards and re-deal. Reality, Live like only 6 months left.**

Matthew 24:36 (ESV)

But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only.

**Be alert! However, we will not know the time; it will be a surprise.**

1 Thessalonians 5:2 (ESV)

**For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night.**

**Classify the following as my opinion. We will see the Birth Pains, because God will remove believers in the blink of an eye. This action will change everything and will usher in the final 7 years.**

1 Thessalonians 4:16 (ESV)

For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And **the dead in Christ will rise first.**

1 Thessalonians 4:17 (ESV)

Then **we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up** together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord.

Matthew 24:40-42 (ESV)

<sup>40</sup> Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. <sup>41</sup> Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. <sup>42</sup> Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.

**These things were written to encourage believers:**

1 Thessalonians 4:18 (ESV)

**Therefore encourage one another with these words.**

**Like Leon Price, R.T. Kendall, Pastor Milliken, I believe God is going to make a big move before the end. A tremendous unmistakable outpouring of the Holy Spirit! Look at everything God has revealed to BCC! Everything is growing in intensity. We will fulfill our commission as a place of healing.**

John 3:16–17 (ESV)

<sup>16</sup> “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. <sup>17</sup> For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.