The Man of Lawlessness - <u>2 Thessalonians 2:1-12</u>

| Topics : Confusion, Evil, Future, Hell, Hopelessness, Judgment, Last Days, Lost, Miracles, Second Coming | | |
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Adult Questions for LESSONMaker.

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2 Thessalonians 2:1-12
The Second Coming and the Man of Lawlessness

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- >Evil
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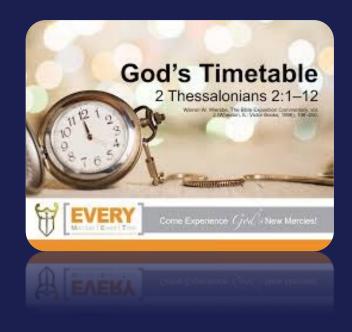
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INTRODUCTION



Some of the Thessalonian believers seemed to have accepted incorrect teaching regarding Christ's Second Coming (2:2-3) and what would happen in the world before he returned. Paul had already taught them much when he was with them and had explained more in his first letter (1 Thessalonians 4–5).





This letter tells of a time of great rebellion against God led by a man of lawlessness (the Antichrist). During this time God will remove all restraints on evil, and then he will execute his final judgment.







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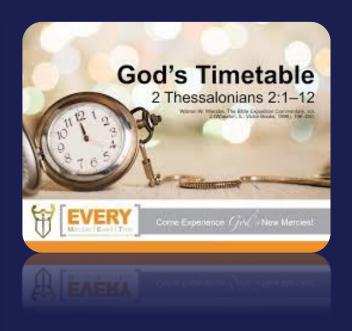
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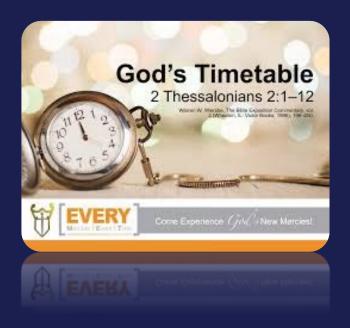
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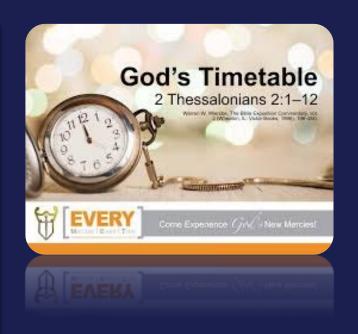
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