## MARANATHA GLOBAL BIBLE STUDY THE BOOK OF REVELATION // DALTON THOMAS

## DAY 37: THE FINAL ANTICHRIST AND HIS AGE-ENDING TYRANNY

## I. THE ANTICHRIST GIVEN AUTHORITY

- A. The Antichrist is a significant subject in scripture
- B. Authority is granted to the Antichrist to make war, persecute the saints, establish his rule, etc. (Revelation 13:2, 4)
  - 1. Why? The Lord is "testing you" (Deuteronomy 12:32, 13:1-5)
  - 2. Obey, fear, holdfast, purge (v. 4)

## II. THE REVEALING OF THE ANTICHRIST

- A. The Antichrist will perform signs and wonders to convince you to follow him
- B. Paul clarifies that the Day of the Lord will not come until the rebellion comes first (2 Thessalonians 2:1-4)
  - 1. "The Little Horn" is revealed (the Antichrist)
  - 2. The Old Testament prophecies confirm this pattern of events for us
- C. Satan himself is restraining the revealing of the Antichrist (2 Thessalonians 2: 6, 9)
  - 1. He knows his time is short once the Antichrist is revealed!
  - 2. Satan knows prophecy, he knows what is to come
- D. God raises him up, grants him authority, and allows him to act in order to sift the nations
- E. Preterism: belief that all these events have already come to pass
  - False belief
  - 2. These things have not happened because we have not yet seen the Day of the Lord

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