

Why The Antichrist Is Not Yet In The World

How can we be sure that the Antichrist is NOT yet ruling in the world today?

Over the past year we have seen all over the world, governments, local councils, police, officials of every kind working against their people, putting them in fear, issuing fines and restrictive regulations and rules which bear no relevance to the situation, and, indeed, grossly infringe the inalienable rights of human beings.

It is no wonder, then, that some Christians have asked the question, 'Is the Antichrist already here?'

This article seeks to address this question and offer the answer as to why I believe he is NOT in the world today, nor will he be for some time to come.

There are, without doubt, within this still on-going Church Age, many truly Satanic acts. What was told of obscene and outrageous practices among the famous and 'elite' regarding *adrenochrome* and its method of procurement, caused many already awakened people to take seriously Mel Gibson's revelations of Hollywood.

With this knowledge comes also the exposure of wide-spread paedophilia, coercion and blackmail within the UK Conservative Government by a former Metropolitan policeman. House-stealing and Mortgage Fraud by high-street Banks almost pales into insignificance under these perversions.

They do exist! Again, unless Christians are firmly rooted in the Scriptures, they may well think that the Antichrist is here and actively running the world!

So, is he? Is he already here? The short answer is NO!! And he is not because he CANNOT be!!

Allow me to take you through the Scriptures and prove to you why not!

There are TWO Main Reasons! The First Reason is entirely Spiritual. The Second Reason is entirely Factual. You should already know and be convinced that only the Written Word of God illuminated by the Holy Spirit can shed light on any situation, and not the world's media systems!

FIRSTLY, however it may appear to a believer in the Western world, with its decadence and materialism, the Age of the True Church is still in progress. This is still the Age of Revelation – the revelation of GOD through the Lord Jesus Christ. The Holy Spirit, moreover, is still here to reprove the world of sin, righteousness and judgment [*John 16:8*].

Therefore, it is still the Age when any soul can repent of their Christ-less life, for their sins have already been purged away, receive the Salvation of God through the poured out Blood of Christ, and receive the Baptism of the Holy Spirit. The Gifts of the Spirit are still available, and to those who believe and operate them, are very much part of a true Christian's life!

And this Age of Victory over the world, the flesh and the devil will continue until the Holy Spirit departs.

2 Thessalonians 2:7 says, "For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only He who now letteth will let, until He be taken out of the way."

Indeed, it is a mystery that men and women can freely reject the Salvation of God, Jesus Christ! Yet the Holy Spirit continues to restrain the excess of evil, such as will be on the earth under the reign of the Antichrist.

v6 "And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time."

So Paul is telling these saints that this is the very reason why the Antichrist has not yet been revealed! The Holy Spirit is still here with us!

Yes, Paul is saying by the Holy Spirit in **v7**, all kinds of wrong doings and evil are still going on even though the pure Love of God has clearly been shown to mankind, yet at the same time the Holy Spirit is a restraining force and will continue to restrain until He is removed from the earth.

The first five verses of this chapter are to give believers the comfort that this evil man will not come before the Day of the LORD. They were written for this very purpose! Read them a little later...

v8 says, "And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming."

"And then". It doesn't mean that immediately after the Spirit of God is gone from the earth shall the Antichrist be revealed. It simply means afterwards, at some time later – according to the other Scriptures which give more detail of the Plan of God for the Future of All Mankind!

These verses clearly show that the Spirit of God is removed by God on the Throne BEFORE the man is revealed. He becomes the Antichrist when Satan enters into his body as he enters the Temple in Jerusalem declaring himself to be GOD! This is the Order, the chronological Order of God's Plan.

Is it commonly believed these days that the departing from the world of the Holy Spirit is because He takes the redeemed up to meet Christ in the air? It used to be common knowledge!! It used to be firmly believed!! Are these Scriptures to be ignored then, now we're in this amazing technological era?!

In **Genesis 6:3**, the LORD said, "My Spirit shall not always strive with man." There has to come a time when the Church is complete, not one more soul will repent towards God through Jesus Christ. That will be the time when the Father will say to the Son on His right hand, 'Go and bring My people up to Me!'

And **Genesis 49:10b** says, "and unto Him shall the gathering of the people be." The beginning of the verse refers to the Lord as "Shiloh", which is explained in **Ezekiel 21:27** as "until He come whose right it is", in other words, the Lord Jesus Christ! He has the right from God on the Throne to give Eternal Life and Eternal Condemnation, as He has been appointed by God as both Saviour and Judge of all mankind.

So with the world 'free' from all the irksome restrictions on their evil ways and no conscience to check them, being left behind, they and their controllers will continue to progress towards the desired One World Government. Even in these times it is referred to as the New World Order.

So we are already transitioning into the Second Reason – the Factual Reason why the Antichrist is not yet here! But before we do that, I want to emphasise this vital Spiritual Reason why this man is not yet here.

The Church of God, Jesus Christ is The most wonderful and glorious and powerful organism on earth since its beginning! This is what you Must believe. The poured out Blood of the Lord Jesus Christ has transformed sinful men and women, boys and girls into new creations fit to be called and recognised as children of the True and Living God, the Most High God, the Eternal One, the Majesty on high, the Blessed and Only Potentate, the King of Kings and Lord of lords!! Only through the Blood of Jesus!

As a child of this Most High and Eternal God, that human being in frail flesh, has the right to claim every Promise of God, claim and operate the Gifts of God as the Spirit distributes, and also claim the ground over every spiritual enemy. It has nothing to do with one's status in the world, size of the bank balance, material possessions, or the greatness of one's social circle!

It has all to do with a simple faith which says, 'Jesus paid it all, all to Him I owe' and going out and living the victorious Life of the Son of God "who loved me and gave Himself for me", by the Holy Ghost. [*ref. Galatians 2:20*]

Living in such holiness, how can devils overcome such people? How can such a man as the "son of perdition" stand before such people full of the Holy Ghost? This is the Spiritual Reason. Besides, Paul has already written, "And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time."

He can only be revealed when God says so. And God has already said so in His Written Word.

So now, let's go back to **2 Thessalonians 2**, and follow through to the Second Reason, the Factual Reason, why the Antichrist is not yet here:
vs 1 – 5 "Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto Him,

Paul is referring to what is or has been commonly called the 'Rapture', the resurrection and ascension of the saints. Believers will be caught up, raised, gathered up, together, to meet Christ in the Air. The Spirit takes us up!!

2. That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

Paul is very concerned that these new believers in Salonica should recall what he had already taught them [**v5**] that they should not be frightened or persuaded by any possible source regarding the Order, the Timing of God's Plan for the Future.

3. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;

"The day of Christ" is the same day as "that day". It is the Day of the LORD which the Apostle John was in the Spirit to see [**Revelation 1:10**] and of which he wrote in chapters **6 to 22**.*

4. Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. **5.** Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?"

Paul is linking up what the Lord Jesus said before He was arrested, and with Daniel which the Lord was quoting concerning the end times:

Matthew 24:14 "When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

Daniel 9:27 "And he [*the prince that shall come, v26*] shall confirm the covenant with many for one week [*seven years*]: and in the midst of the week [*after three and a half years*] he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation [*the completion; a hint at the Marriage Supper of the Lamb?! taking place in Heaven while Jerusalem burns with the fire of God's Wrath*], and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate [= *desolator*]

The people to whom the Lord was referring who will be affected at that time will be the Remnant of Israel. The whole passage of prophecy for the end time is from **v24**.

vs24 – 26 "Seventy weeks [490 years] are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city [the Jews and Jerusalem], to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness [this is why the book of seven seals, opened by Christ at the start of the LORD's Day, is a book of Settlement], and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy [coming into the world as Christ means He was already anointed by God; and in taking His place at God's right hand, He was anointed again].

25. Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem [446BC, Artaxerxes] unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks [49 years, to the end of Malachi's era, the last book of the prophets of the Old Testament], and threescore and two weeks [plus 434 years to AD33]: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times [in the days of Ezra and Nehemiah. The opposition they faced was fierce.].

26. And after threescore and two weeks [the additional 434 years to make 483 years] shall Messiah be cut off [37 years old, AD33 (don't forget the 4-year error in the calendar!)], but not for Himself [John 3:16!]: and the people of the prince that shall come [the Antichrist] shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood [Revelation 12:15 – 16, great armies against the Remnant of Israel, Revelation 7:4 - 8], and unto the end of the war desolations are determined [nothing can stop the Plan of God – nothing!!]."

This passage in **Daniel 9:24 – 27** reveals that after the Death and Resurrection of the Lord Jesus Christ, the Messiah, the Saviour who atoned for the sin of the world, there are seven years remaining for the reign of the "vile person" – as he is described in **Daniel 11:21**. Putting in place New Testament revelations such as in **2 Thessalonians 2**, one cannot assume that it means directly after, or within a very short space of time. No, it is after the Church Age has ended!

v27 "and in the midst of the week [after three and a half years] he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease

To see more of the chronological order of events leading to the rise of the Antichrist, we need to consider and compare two verses, one from the Old Testament, the other from the New.

Daniel 11:20 "Then shall stand up in his estate a raiser of taxes in the glory of the kingdom: but within few days he shall be destroyed neither in anger nor in battle."

Revelation 17:10b "and the other is not yet come, and when he cometh, he must continue a short space."

This is the same man! **Daniel** describes a World Ruler standing in the "glory of the kingdom", in other words, established and reigning from Jerusalem, who does not rule for very long, and who immediately precedes the "vile person" [**v21**] who becomes the Antichrist.

John is shown the man as the seventh [**v10a**] of the seven great godless kings which oppressed Israel, both Northern and Southern Tribes, and the following man as "the eighth" [**v11**] who is "of the seven, and goeth into perdition".

Revelation 17 from **v3** to **v11** links Satan with the beast, the man, as both having seven heads, which are identified in **v10a** as the five of history ["fallen"] (Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Persia and Greece), then as "one is" (Rome, at the time of John's writing), and "the other is not yet come", for the book of Revelation is a book of prophecy!

Daniel 11 from **v5** to **v19** takes us through the shorter span of prophecy, starting from the setting up of the One World Government, and showing that there will be three rulers before the "vile person".

Let's go in reverse from **v20**. We see that the man, the raiser of taxes, who is "destroyed neither in anger, nor in battle", has taken over from someone else! This ruler will be "the king of the north", **v13** to **v19**. And he, in turn, has taken over from another man, called "the king of the south", **v5** to **v12**.

Daniel 7:8 and **v20** speaks of "three" in relation to the Fourth Kingdom which will be the One World Government of the Future.

v8 "I considered the horns [*the ten horns, v7, and also Revelation 17:3, 7, 12, 16*], and, behold, there came up among them another little horn [*one of a number of descriptions of the Antichrist*], before whom there were **three** of the first horns plucked up by the roots:..."

v20 "And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom **three** fell;..."

v8 is easier to understand. Alongside the ten horns (which will be the ten kings of the nations surrounding Jerusalem in the Day of the LORD) there is the Antichrist, and also three (rulers, "horns") which preceded the "little horn" were no more when he came to power.

v20 is explaining the great and terrible fourth beast, which has ten horns, and refers to his "little horn" as "the other", and again saying that three rulers before him were no longer in power when he comes in.

The **Revelation** account speaks clearly and simply of the eighth following the seventh in chapter **17, vs10 – 11**.

Incidentally, in **Daniel 11:10** where it says, "his sons", that refers to the sons of the king of the north, to make sense of the narrative, and not to the king of the south! The king of the north, the second ruler, following the king of the south, the first of the three rulers, "shall stand in the glorious land" – Palestine, reigning from Jerusalem.

The first four verses of **Daniel 11** describe the reign of Alexander the Great, king of Greece, the 5th of the seven heads. He died at a young age and his kingdom was divided into four parts. Roughly, these were Egypt, Central Asia, Southern Turkey and Mesopotamia, which included Assyria, from which modern-day Iraq was formed.

The Antichrist will be an Assyrian. He will be part of the Judgments upon unfaithful Israel.

Isaiah 10:5 – 6 "O Assyrian, the rod of Mine anger, and the staff in their hand is Mine indignation. 6. I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of My wrath will I give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets."

It is a terrible thing to reject the Lord Jesus Christ who took upon Himself the Wrath of God to expunge our sins, of first the Jew and then of the Gentile.

Nahum 1:11 "**v1.** The burden of Nineveh [*the capital city of Assyria*]. **v11.** There is one come out of thee, that imagineth evil against the LORD, a wicked counsellor [*another description of the Antichrist*]"

Do we have a One World Government? We do have a Globalist Movement and smart cities with a Parliament of Mayors, working apart from democratic government. But have we seen yet three successive rulers in Jerusalem and then a man ruling for three and a half years before proclaiming himself God in the Temple?

And, incidentally, where is the Temple?!

No, we don't see one man ruling the whole world from Jerusalem at this time. Rather we see a cabal, a closely woven, intricate network of Globalists, trying to achieve their Agenda, currently Agenda 2030!

May the Lord bless you, if you call yourself a believer in the Lord Jesus Christ, a Christian, to take up your Sword again and be a victorious soldier of Jesus Christ. If you are reading this out of curiosity, please take the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour and Lord; read the KJV Bible, be baptised in water by immersion, and be Baptised in the Holy Spirit!

* for more, please refer to and download free "Introducing The Book of Revelation" from Books and Studies on <https://basar-blessings.org>

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