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Bible Text: 2 Thessalonians 2:3

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We thank you Almighty Father for all Your goodness and faithfulness in our lives and in this ministry. May your words come mightily on us as we are about to listen to Your words. Bless the minister and us all. For Jesus' name we have prayed. Amen

I welcome you all again to tonight's study, I just don't know what to say tonight, but I thank God for your lives and I, because of the urge to please God, because knowing Him alone is a privilege, and for Him to have counted us to be among those to enjoy the common wealth of His Glory.

Tonight's teaching is only to encourage us and make somethings more clearer to us as His Spirit leads, for I rejoice in my Spirit for having this previledge to speak to God's people again. Wow, can someone just say, "*I am created for God's pleasure*"

You see brethren, there are different doctrines flying about christendom and we have to be very careful to know exactly what the word of God is saying. Tonight's study would be a bit shorter, but please let's try as much as possible to grasp what the Lord is about to unveil to us. I call this study, *The Falling Away*. Can we quickly turn our bibles with me to the book of 2 Thessalonians 2:3

2 Thessalonians 2:3 **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 first thing this verse says is that "*let no man deceive you!*"

Please, I'm sure we know the meaning of what "no man" is, you see a times, I use to wonder how people derive at the doctrines they use in the church, because the word of God is so clear and straight forward if it is not the prophetic books. Here we are told that, we should allow no man to deceive us, which means that we can be deceived if we do not take time. No matter who the person is, even if the person is your general overseer, a pastor, a teacher, a prophet, whomsoever, do not be deceived by them. In as much as what they are telling you or teaching you is different from what the word of God says. The second sentence in our bible text reads **for that day shall not come,**

Kai, that day will not come, that particular day will not appear, which particular day is the verse talking about? Let's see the day in verse one. Can someone help us with verse 1 of that chapter

2 Thessalonians 2:1. **Now in regard to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our [1]gathering together to meet Him, we ask you, [2]brothers and sisters,** This verse tells us what we should not be deceived about. It says concerning the coming of the Lord and the gathering of the Saints, which means rapture. It says **for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first**

What is the falling away? It is **apostasy**. Apostasy must come first, that is, the great rebellion, the abandonment of the faith by professed Christians. Our bible verse talks about two things that must happen before Jesus Christ would come to rapture the church. The first is the apostasy, while the other is that the man of sin(anti-christ) must be revealed. Now, looking at the falling away, if we look around us, is this not already happening gradually? Many professing Christians are already leaving the track, they are beginning to bow to the one world religion syndrome which advocates bondage which they assume to be peace.

Sit down to make an evaluation of those who were fervent in the Lord in your local assembly as at ten years ago and now, are they all still in the Lord? What about you, are you also still in the faith? You see, there are so many distractions the devil has deployed for our fall in this last days, and we have to be wiser than him if truly heaven is our desire, I tell you something, if you want to make heaven then it is a decision you must place on the **do or die** level, if not you will easily fall away. Part of how we are to know that we are already in the end time is this, if we look around us very well, we would see that there is already a great level of rebellion going on in the world just as that verse has mentioned.

What is rebellion?

It is an open opposition toward a person or group in authority, it also means refusal to obey rules or accept normal standards of behavior, dress, etc.

Are you with me please?

with the above definition we can see that rebellion has to do with open opposition, refusal to obey rules and standards, and our bible texts talks about "great rebellion" I believe that you know what it means to say something is great. Therefore, the rate at which people will rebel against God will be so great through their refusal to obey God's rule, standards, behavior, way of dressing, talking, etc. And who are those who would make this rebellion? 2 Thessalonians 2:3. **...for that day will not come unless the apostasy comes first [that is, the great rebellion, the abandonment of the faith by professed Christians],** now you can see it clearly that is, those people who even call themselves Christians are the ones that will partake in this great rebellion against God.

They would strongly stand against the rules and standards of God, through their lustful standards, behaviors, way of dressing, speech among others. These are the set of people who live without the law of God, they are those who do not believe in what is written in the Old Testament but only believes in God's grace, these are they who do not want to hear anything about Holiness and righteousness, they want to associate with the world through every way, they expose their nakedness, speaks slangs, barb styles, paints, fixes, plaits, lie, rape, fornicate, masturbate, filled with pride, hatred, unforgiveness, disobedient and even covet. They hate to be corrected because they are already into the act of this great rebellion against us, they are already part of those falling away.

As for you and I we do not have to join them nor be like them, because we are not living for ourselves but we are living to please God. Let's seek to do the will of God at all cost leaving the pleasures of this world totally aside.

Pleasing God must be our hobby

We have to do anything it will take us to please God, many people are selective with which of the commandments of God they have to obey, which is not good, these set of people are already falling away, we have to check ourselves tonight to know if we are still on track. And the second thing that must happen before rapture is **"and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction [the Antichrist, the one who is destined to be destroyed],"** The Antichrist must be revealed, he must be known, we have to face Him, if this is strange to you then you have to read one of our past studies titled *Truths about Tribulation and Rapture*.

Why are we telling you all these now, it's simply so that if you see the Antichrist you will not start thinking that Jesus is no longer coming and that all the prophecies about Him are lies. And it's to make every one prepare their minds towards the tribulations. This is the time for you to build your faith, prepare in prayers and fasting seeking God's help to withstand every form of persecution. Remember that only he that endures to the end shall be saved.

If you are yet to start preparing for the coming of the messiah, please start now. He can

come at anytime, get prepared always so that you will not be caught unawares. Rapture has no second batch, go with the only batch available. It's sin that can make anyone miss it at last, deal with that sin in your life so that you will not be among those who are already falling away.

Thank you, this is where I would stop for tonight

To You Our Dear Reader,

If there is anyway you have gone away from Christ due to the cares of this world, or you have never for once accepted Christ into your life, this is the right time to do so, do not postpone, come to Jesus now. If you want to give your life to Christ please place your right hand on your chest and pray this prayer by **believing** it in your heart and **confessing** it with your mouth.

Say,

Lord Jesus Christ, I accept you as my personal Lord and Savior, I believe that you died and rose up on the third day so that I can be free from death and sin, have mercy on me and forgive me of all my sins, I confess your Lordship over my life, and renounce the works of the devil over me, accept me as your child and help me to always walk in accordance to your will and purpose. Thank you Jesus for saving me. Amen!

If you said the above prayer sincerely, I congratulate you and the angels in heaven are rejoicing over you currently, you have taken the best decision anyman on earth would ever take, please contact us, we can't wait to have a word with you. Congratulations once again dear saint.

Closing Prayer

Our father we thank You Tonight, for Your word that we have heard, we pray for the grace to stand firm in You even at the face of persecutions and trials, that the power to overcome sin according to your will, would be granted unto us, we use your name as a cover over ourselves in Jesus name we have prayed. Amen

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