

“The Coming of the Lawless One” (2 Thessalonians 2:6–12)

Big Idea: God will use Satan’s ultimate rebel to trap all rebels in just condemnation.

- I. The Certain Timeline of the Ultimate Rebellion (verses 6–8)
 - a. Though at work now, the mystery of lawlessness is restrained. (verses 6–7)

Matthew 7:15–23
 - b. Once unleashed, the ultimate man of lawlessness will be revealed. (verse 8a)

Rev. 11:7–12; 17:8–14; 20:1–3, 7–9; Ezekiel 38:14–16; Daniel 11:36, 44–45
 - c. Once revealed, that man will be destroyed by the arrival of the Lord Jesus. (verse 8)

Isaiah 11:1–4; Revelation 19:11–16
- II. The Mighty Deception by the Ultimate Rebel (verses 9–12)
 - a. He will deceive by means of Satan’s supernatural power. (verse 9)

Deuteronomy 13:1–5; Exodus 8:6–7; Revelation 16:12–16
 - b. He will deceive those who hate the truth of the gospel. (verse 10)
 - c. His deception will be God’s fitting punishment upon wicked unbelief. (verses 11–12)

Closing Applications

- 1) The spirit of antichrist can already trap you with lies.
1 John 2:18–22; 2 Timothy 3:1–9, 12–15
- 2) Supernatural lies are real and convincing.
1 Kings 22:5–23
- 3) You dare not refuse to love the Way, the Truth, and the Life.
1 Corinthians 16:19–24