

THE LAST DAYS CHURCH PART 3

Last Days Occurrences and How to Overcome

I. Danger In The Church

2 Timothy 3:1, NKJV But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come:

A. There Will Be False Teachers and False Believers

1. They Will Be Lovers of Self

2 Timothy 3:2, NKJV For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,

2 Timothy 3:3-4, NKJV unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God,

2. They Are Charlatans of Religion

2 Timothy 3:5, NKJV Having a form of godliness but denying its power.

2 Timothy 3:5, AMP They hold to a form of [outward] godliness (religion), although they have denied its power [for their conduct nullifies their claim of faith].

3. They Are Captors of the Weak

2 Timothy 3:6-7, NKJV For of this sort are those who creep into households and make captives of gullible women loaded down with sins, led away by various lusts, always learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

4. They Are Opposers of Truth

2 Timothy 3:8, NKJV Now as Jannes and Jambres resisted Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, disapproved concerning the faith;

2 Timothy 3:9, NKJV but they will progress no further, for their folly will be manifest to all, as theirs also was.

II. Spiritual Discernment and Defenders of the Faith

A. Strong Example of a Mentor

2 Timothy 3:10, NKJV But you have carefully followed my doctrine, manner of life, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, perseverance,

2 Timothy 3:11, NKJV persecutions, afflictions, which happened to me at Antioch, at Iconium, at Lystra— what persecutions I endured. And out of them all the Lord delivered me.

2 Timothy 3:12, NKJV Yes, and all who desire to live godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution.

2 Timothy 3:13, NKJV But evil men and impostors will grow worse and worse, deceiving and being deceived.

B. Strong Convictions Built Into Your Spiritual Foundation

2 Timothy 3:14, NKJV But you must continue in the things which you have learned and been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them,

2 Timothy 3:15, NKJV and that from childhood you have known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus.

C. Strong Confidence in the Scriptures

2 Timothy 3:16-17, NKJV, All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work.