# Anti-Christ – Part 1

Reference Scriptures:
Daniel 8:23-25; 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4; Matthew 24:24; 1 John 2:22; 1 John 4
Revelation 18; Joel 2:28-32

As we look to understand More about the Antichrist will we find the this name was not assigned to him until the New Testament. in the Old Testament he was called by different names all pointing to his evil existence.

Biblical Definition:
The Bible defines the antichrist as anyone who denies Jesus is the Christ, opposes God's teachings, or sets themselves up as a false savior.

The Letters of John (the Word "Antichrist")

- Plural and singular: John writes that while a final singular spirit of the antichrist is expected, "many antichrists have come" in the present hour.
- Denying Jesus: According to I:1 John 2;22], an antichrist is anyone who denies the Father and the Son, or claims Jesus did not come in human flesh.

Other Names and Descriptions in Scripture

- The Beast (Revelation 13): Described as a powerful political ruler backed by Satan who receives global worship, utters blasphemies, and persecutes believers.
- The Man of Lawlessness (2 Thessalonians 2:3-4): A figure of rebellion who sits in God's temple and proclaims himself to be God.
- The King. of Fierce Countenance (Daniel 8:23-25): A deceitful king who rises to power, destroys powerful people, and opposes the Prince of princes before being defeated.
- False Christs (Matthew 24:24): Jesus warned that false messiahs and false prophets would appear and perform great signs to try and deceive even the chosen people.

## A Deeper Look

Johns Description
John described the Antichrist in a plural and singular sense! John teaching are inline with the teachings of other prophets but he also points back to the prophecy of Joel that we may look forward. it is important to understand that we've been living in last days since the first century.

1 John **2:18-23**

18 Little children, **it is the last time:** and as ire have antichrist shall come, even now are - there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

19 They went **out** from us, but they were not of us; for it had beep of us, they would no doubt have continued with us: but they went but, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.

20 But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.

**21** I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth

22 Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.

23 Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father. he. that acknowledged the Son hath the Father also.

In verse 18 he says "it **is the last time"** with this statement, John Shines a light on the prophecy of Joel. He was stating that they are in the end of an area or in coy tempora7 words, in the last days which was prophesied by Joel.

**Joel 2:28-32**

- **28** And it shall come to pass afterward, that I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, your young men shall see visions:
- **29** And also upon the servants and upon the handmaids in those days will I pour out my spirit.
- **30 And I** will shew wonders in the heavens and in the earth, blood, and fire, and pillars of smoke.
- 31 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood before the great and terrible day of the Lord come.
- **32 And** it shall come to pass, that vvhosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be delivered: for in mount Zion and in Jerusalem shall be deliverance, as the Lord hath said, and in the remnant whom the Lord shall call.

Hebrews 1:1-3 2Timothy 3:1-7

**Confirmation of Joel's Prophecy** by Peter

The events that took place on The Day of Pentecost not only signifies the functional shift lb heaven through which the Holy Ghost was allowed to enter the bodies of all of God's creations but it was also the confirmation of Jesus becoming Lord.

Acts 2:16-21

16 But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;

**17 And** it shall come to pass in the l st days, saith God, will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:

**18** And on my servants and on my handmaidens, I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they

Shall prophesy:
19 And I will spew wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke:
20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before the great and notable day of the Lord come:
21 And it shall come to pass, that whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.

This confirmation gives credibility to the concept of the existence of a Holy Trinity!

- 1 John
  7 For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.

Question:
What is the significance of the Holy Trinity in reference to the Antichrist?

The Unholy Trinity
The Antichrist desire to take as many of God's children away from Him and he accomplishes this through deception and confusion.

The "Unholy Trinity" is a parallel to the Christian Trinity. In this conceptual framework, Satan mimics God the Father, the Antichrist mimics Jesus (the Son), and the False Prophet mimics the Holy Spirit.