WHAT WILL HAPPEN WHEN THE CHURCH IS RAPTURED? THE LAWLESS ONE REVEALED AND THE REJECTORS JUDGED 2 Thessalonians 2:6-12

I. THE HOLY SPIRITS' RESTRAINT IS REMOVED WHEN THE CHURCH IS RAPTURED SO THAT THE MAN OF LAWLESSNESS MAY BE REVEALED & DESTROYED (6-7)

- A. The Thessalonians already knew what currently restrains the man of lawlessness from being revealed in his time, yet the hidden reality of lawlessness is already working (6-7)
- B. A summary of what will happen when the restrainer is removed: The lawless one will be revealed and then he will be destroyed by the Lord when He appears (8)

- II. THE POWER BEHIND THE LAWLESS ONE AND HIS PURPOSE: The lawless ones' coming is in accord with Satan's operative power to counterfeit and deceive those who are perishing because the rejected Christ (9-10, Rev. 12, 13)
 - A. **His coming in is in accord with Satan's operative power:** All power, signs, and false wonders, with all the deception (9-10a)
 - B. **His coming is for all for those who are perishing** because they didn't receive the love of the truth to be saved (10b)

III. THE RESTRAINER IS REMOVED SO THAT THE LORD MAY JUDGE THOSE ON EARTH WHO HAVE REJECTED THE GOSPEL: God will send a deluding influence so that those who did not believe the gospel, will believe what false that they may be judged (11-12)