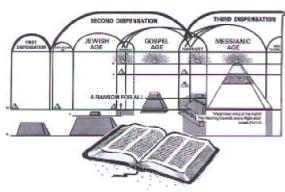


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VOLMME 2 "THE TIME IS AT HAND" Study 9 "The Man of Sin—Antichrist"

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help to you in proving that Papacy is the Antichrist. I	y, but hopefully the many highlights presented will be of Please read and study the entire Chapter; look up the e the answers for the questions. We will check your a self-addressed stamped envelope.
1,2. (a) Has the day of the Lord already begun to dawn?	8,9. (a) Paul calls the Antichrist system, "the man
(b) Is it prophesied that the Man of Sin would first rise, develop, and prosper before the Day of the Lord began?	of", "that wicked", the mystery of", and "the son of". 2 Thessalonians 2:3-8 (b) Daniel calls this wicked system
(c) The Man of Sin is being destroyed by the shining of our Lord's presence.	the abomination that maketh desolate, and it was shown to him as a little or power out of a terrible
3. Was the Antichrist principle already working in the Apostle Paul's day?	beast which had eyes and a mouth that spoke great things (Daniel 11:31; 12:11; 7:8,21)
4. (a) Are professed Christians inclined to forget and dread the promise that our Lord would come again?	(c) Our Lord referred to the same character as the abomination of desolation, (Matthew 24:15) and also as a beast. (Revelation 13:1-8)
(b) Did the early church look for our Lord's return anxiously?	(d) Did John warn the church against Anti- christ? (1 John 2:18-27)
5. (a) Paul wrote the second letter to the Thessalonians to their error of thinking that our Lord had already returned in their day.	(e) Does a large part of the book of Revelation contain a symbolic prophecy concerning Antichrist?
(b) His second letter stated; Let no man delude you, by any means; because the fall-	10. Was the base, subtle, hypocritical, deceptive, tyrannical and cruel Antichrist system developed in the
ing away (apostasy) must first come, and there must be that Man of, the son	midst of the Christian church?
of destruction" (c) This system (the Man of Sin) is to be annihilated by the bright shining of our Lord's parousia ().	vidual? Does the Antichrist system counterfeit the
(d) Was Paul given visions and revelations?	12. Since 1799 the Antichrist system is being by the spirit of the Lord's mouth (the
6. Is Christ's second presence revealed by the sounding of a literal trumpet and reeling tombstones?	truth) and will be utterly during this day of the Lord's wrath. 13-15. Is it absurd to claim that the predictions regard-
7. Are we now living in the day of our Lord's second presence?	ing the Antichrist system will be accomplished by one literal man?

16,17. The Greek word "theos" (god) signifies a	"Pontifex Maximus" - i.e. chief or great-
one, a ruler, and especially a	est religious
or sacerdotal ruler.	(d) "Pontifex Maximus" is the title given to
18-20. Does Paul declare that the day of our Lord's pres-	the of Rome.
ence could not come until the Man of Sin has been re-	(e) Not one of the Roman emperors ever
vealed?	exercised the of some of their succes-
21. Is the Antichrist system one of the heathen sys-	sors on the Papal throne.
tems of religion?	(f) It is a reasonable supposition that
22. The falling away from the true Christian faith	Constantine adopted to
had its stealthy beginning in the days of the	strengthen his empire.
:	(g) Under Constantine's reign the apostate
23. The apostate church united with her lord and	Church of Christ was assisted to a place of popularity
head, the pope, is the Antichrist or Man of (a	and
religious empire, falsely styled Christendom.)	54-57. By the time of Constantine, a great falling
24. The Gospel age is appointed for the selection of	had occurred and errors, such as the doc-
the,	trine of everlasting torment, had drawn a vast
25. Has nominal Christianity been embraced by	into the church.
many who have not entered into the spirit of its institu-	58-64. (a) Under Constantine's reign all hindrance was
tion?	finally removed, and the organization of
26. (a) Gradually the spirit of the church became	was speedily effected.
·	(b) At the time of Theodosius there were
(b) The worldly church wanted success,	1800, several of whom, had their eye
without the Lord, under the headship of a line of	on the title "Pontifex Maximus".
·	(c) Within 50 years from the time Christian-
(c) Did Satan lead from one evil and error to	ity was legally established, the wealth and power of the
another, both of doctrine and practice?	bishop of was very great.
27. (a) Is it a mistake to suppose that to be con-	(d) In A.D. 455, Leo (the bishop of Rome)
scientious is always to be right?	exclaimed to the Vandals, "Beware!I hold in my hands
(b) Did Papacy deceive the kings of the earth	the curses of and the benedictions of
for hundreds of years?	"
(c) Who planted and watered the seeds of	(e) In the course of time the bishop of Rome
error and developed the greatest and most influential	claimed a to all other bishops,
system the world has ever known?	governors, and rulers.
28. (a) The name "Antichrist" has a twofold sig-	65-70 (a) Of the period of Antichrist from 539 A.D. to
nificance: 1; i.e., in opposition to	1799 A.D., the first years mark the rise of tem-
Christ; 2 (i.e. a counterfeit) of Christ.	poral power, the last years mark its waning un-
(b) The Scriptures apply the term Antichrist	der the influence of the Reformation and civilization,
as against, in the sense of a, tak-	and the intermediate period of centuries em-
ing the place of the true Christ.	braces Papacy's glory time and the " ages"
29,30. Papacy is an enemy or opponent of Christ in that	of the world.
it falsely bears his name, his king-	(b) The exaltation of the true church is not
dom, and misrepresents his, plans,	to be a blood-stained and crime-polluted throne, such as
and doctrines before the world.	the throne of
31-45. (a) Do historians trace the falling away of the	(c) The real church of Christ in those cor-
church from its original simplicity and purity, step by	rupt times, as wheat, was permitted to grow in the midst
step, down to its deep degradation which culminated in	of a field overrun with and experienced much
the development of the "Man of Sin"?	persecution.
(b) The mission of the church was lost sight	71. (a) The Man of Sin, born in Rome, was at
of in a degrading alliance with the	first opposed, but gradually raised himself up to
46-53. (a) For a time Pagan stood in the	•
way of the aspirations of Papal	(b) Daniel's prophecy predicted that as "a little horn",
(b) The iniquitous ambition of Papal	it would come up out of the head of that old "great and
was hindered for a time because the	terrible" Roman (Daniel 7:8)
aspired to was already filled by another.	72-79. (a) The definition of Antichrist as used in the
(c) The emperor of Rome was styled	scriptures is "in the place of, of"

(b) Papacy claims to be the glorified king-	(b) Is the doctrine of the Mass an abomina-
dom of Christ and applies to itself and its successive	tion in the sight of the Lord?
heads (the) all those passages of the	(c) The Bible and reason had to be inter-
prophets which describe the Millennial glory of	preted and to match the infallible decrees
·	of fallible
(c) Psalm 2:12 applies to the present when	(d) Papacy, while professing to reverence the
the great ones of are being tested by their	Bible, has proscribed God's word entirely, as unfit to be
willingness or to bow to the righ-	and dangerous to the
teous regulations.	(e) The translations of the Bible by Wycliffe,
(d) As a counterfeit the great Antichrist has	Tyndale and Luther were not approved by Papacy, but
misrepresented the of God with reference to the	the work went grandly and steadily
selection of a "little" and has entirely set	(f) In the course of time the church of Rome
aside the real hope of the church and the Lord's provi-	permitted the translation of the scriptures into modern
sion for the blessing of the during the	languages by Catholic, accom-
mediatorial reign of Christ.	panied with Catholic
(e) Have the nominal churches invented	(g) Ignorance and are
theories to frighten and drive the world into a profession	Papacy's bulwarks; schools and have ever
of godliness?	been Antichrist's unendurable enemies, and would not
(f) The greatness, grandeur, and necessity of	be tolerated, except as they became necessities.
Christ's Millennial must be seen before	138-154 (a) Papacy's doctrine of the inherent immortal-
the greatness of the Antichrist counterfeit can be appre-	ity of man led to the conclusion that if existence must
ciated.	continue, the wicked would have a life of
(g) The Antichrist system is	suffering in hell.
workmanship.	(b) Purgatory was brought in to give Anti-
(h) God has permitted the Antichrist system	christ a firmer hold upon the
to do havoc to the truth because it has been a means to	(c) Masses for the dead became a source of
thoroughly the truly consecrated and their faithfulness to God's	great to Antichrist. (d) Indulgences are of merit
80-82. Study the table on page 303 regarding the church	which offset or a certain number of days
of God in its true type, the reality, and the counterfeit.	or years of purgatorial anguish.
83-94.(a) Antichrist's great swelling or blas-	(e) The people speedily got to understand
phemies, cover the whole period of his long career. (Rev-	that so much money for so much sin.
elation 13:5,6; Daniel 7:8,25)	(f) Tetzel said, "Pay, only pay largely and you
(b) The word "blasphemy", in its true signifi-	shall be"
cance, is applicable to any offered to God.	155-216. (a) The papal counterfeit kingdom used ev-
(c) God's character has been blasphemed in	ery means that could be thought of to crush out the very
the thousand monstrous, bulls, and	spirit of true
decretals issued in his name, by the long line of those	(b) Error, always more popular than the truth,
who claimed, as vicegerents, to his Son.	when exalted to influence and power, made disreputable
(d) Approximately blasphe-	the
mous titles have been applied to the Pope, (See page	(c) For 1260 years the true church (woman)
307) and have been received by the Roman pontiffs with	fled into the an outcast because of
marked	her fidelity to the and the true Head of the
95-112. (a) Did the Antichrist "think to change times	church. (Revelation 12:6)
and laws"? (Daniel 7:25)	(d) The persecutions of the Christians under
(b) Error of doctrine produces	Pagan were not worthy of comparison with
•	those under Rome.
(c) Is it the constant claim of Papacy that its	(e) Were the victims burned by tyrant Nero
doctrines are unchangeable?	comparatively few?
(d) Soon the bright shining of our Lord's	(f) Were the persecutions of Papacy reduced
will utterly the vain-	to a regular system, animated by religious fanaticism and
glorious counterfeit and wholly free the world from the	scheming ambition, and inspired with a Satanic zeal,
chains of the delusive claims and errors of Antichrist.	energy, and cruelty unparalleled in the annals of history?
113-137. (a) Are the presumptuous claims of more re-	
cent times the same as those of the Dark Ages?	(g) Kings and princes trembled for the

of their crowns and were not tardy in their efforts to comply with the of the Papacy.	(c) Although Papacy was set up in power in A.D, yet it was
(h) Resistance to Papacy was made only by	who was the first emperor over the "Holy Roman Em-
a faithful	pire" (A.D. 800).
(i) Opposers of Romanism were hunted and	(d) About A.D. 50, there was a beginning of
hated and with pitiless fury by	the working of the iniquitous ambition of
papal emissaries.	Papacy.
(j) Were many thousands of Protestants ex-	(e) The popes came to be recognized as the
ecuted under the direction of Papacy in various cruel	Head, representing Christ, reigning in the church and
ways?	over the gradually from about A.D. 300 to
(k) Did Antichrist find extreme sat-	494.
isfaction in these dreadful scenes of carnage?	(f) The Reformation began about A.D.
(1) Was St. Dominic a monster devoid of ev-	·
ery feeling of compassion?	(g) The period of Napoleon's success and the
(m) The "Holy Office" employed	casting aside of the title "Emperor of the
to watch the process of torture and stop it when	by Francis II was A.D.
seemed likely, and then after the victim	1800-1806.
partially recovered the torture was applied a second or	230-241. (a) There should remain no doubt in any unbi-
even a third time.	ased mind that Papacy is the, the
(n) It is estimated that Papacy, during a pe-	Man of
riod of 1300 years directly or indirectly caused the death	(b) In 2 Thessalonians 2:8-12, the Apostle
of millions of people.	Paul declares that our Lord will annihilate Antichrist with
(o) A few of the fiendish atrocities by Pa-	the bright shining of his
pacy were, drowning, stabbing, starving,	(c) Since 1874 the devil is making a most
and shooting; molten lead was poured into ears, tongues	desperate to the new order of things about
were cut out, others were hammered to pieces on	to be established.
etc., etc.	(d) Socialists,thinkers, infidels,
(p) Why did kings, emperors, and the people	discontents and liberty-lovers are on one side
at large permit such atrocities? The answer is found in	in this closing struggle and government leaders,
Revelation 18:3: The nations were (stupe-	, etc. are on the other side.
fied); they lost their senses in drinking the mixed wine	(e) Is Antichrist in close sympathy with the
(doctrine - false and true mixed) given them by the apos-	aristocrats?
tate church.	(f) Is Antichrist seeking to win back into
(q) Should all who possess the spirit of the	sympathy and practical co-operation extremists of all
true Christ readily recognize Papacy as a counterfeit.	Protestant denominations?
	(g) Is there now a severe hour of trial and
217-229. (a) The Papal counterfeit kingdom began in	
A.D and lasted for a thousand years.	(h) Papacy is the Antichrist, not because of
(b) Romanists regard the close of their	its moral obliquity, but because it is the
Millennium as the time when was to	of the true Christ and the true
be loosed for a little season.	kingdom.
	GOD BLESS YOU!