

# THE ROAD AHEAD: ANTICHRISTS NEAR, FAR & HERE NOW

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Dwelling Place Church Vision: Manifesting  
Christ in Many Ways to Many People

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4, 8-9 NIV – Don't let anyone deceive you in any way, for that day will not come until the rebellion occurs and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the man doomed to destruction. 4 He will oppose and will exalt himself over everything that is called God or is worshiped, so that he sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God....8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will overthrow with the breath of his mouth and destroy by the splendor of his coming. 9 The coming of the lawless one will be in accordance with how Satan works. He will use all sorts of displays of power through signs and wonders that serve the lie,

25% of your Bible is prophecy

Daniel 1-6: written in Aramaic about Daniel and his friends.

Daniel 7-12: written in Hebrew to share about future prophecies.

Which word characterizes your attitude toward the future – stressful or peaceful?

Daniel 7:2-3 CSB – Daniel said, "In my vision at night I was watching, and suddenly the four winds of heaven stirred up the great sea. 3 Four huge beasts came up from the sea, each different from the other.

Daniel 7:4-8 CSB

First Beast: Babylon. Second Beast: Medo-Persian Empire.  
Third Beast: Greece. Fourth Beast: Rome.

Daniel 8:5-9 CSB | Daniel 8:23-25 CSB

Antiochus Epiphanes – Hitler of the OT

## 1) The prophecies about the Antichrist are 'already/not yet' fulfilled.

For many prophecies, there is BOTH a near fulfillment and a far one.

## 2) In every age, the spirit of the antichrist (i.e. Satan's spirit) is at work.

1 John 2:18: Children, it is the last hour. And as you have heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come.

## Three things these chapters teach us about what antichrist is up to:

7:5 – He aims to "devour much flesh."

8:25 – "He will cause deceit to prosper through his cunning and by his influence, and in his own mind he will exalt himself." He questions God's word to try to deceive you.

He aims for people to exalt themselves.

## 3) Even in the age of antichrist, the Ancient of Days still rules.

Daniel 7:9-10 CSB – "As I kept watching, thrones were set in place, and the Ancient of Days took his seat. His clothing was white like snow, and the hair of his head like whitest wool. His throne was flaming fire; its wheels were blazing fire. 10 A river of fire was flowing, coming out from his presence. Thousands upon thousands served him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was convened, and the books were opened.

God does everything, Everything, EVERYTHING, for His purposes.

## 4) One day, the God who rules over the world will come to rule in the world.

The defeat of Antichrist comes through doing something that human ingenuity has never been able to do – raise a Man from the dead.

Jesus was the Messiah who came to the lion and the bear and ram and goat of the world's kingdoms with their mighty horns of power.

# WELCOME!

If you have questions, please stop by the NEXT STEPS table in the foyer or look for a team member. If we can help you in any way, please email us at [dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com](mailto:dwellingplacemovement@gmail.com).

Our strategy at DPC: Gather (Gatherings), Group (Connect Groups), Grow (Growth Phases), Give (Giving/Gifting Teams), Go (Outreach)

## GATHER

*Sundays in August -  
"Screens"*

**9:30a + 11:15a**

In a culture with screens on every corner and in the palm of every hand, we need to have an honest conversation about what it actually means to live in, but not of the ever-changing world of technology. The way we spend our screen time is a clear indicator of what we are following. How can we leverage screens for the sake of the gospel?

## GROW

*Thursday, September 2, 7p - 9p  
Launch of our Fall Semester  
of Growth Phases*

Get signed up today at the Next Steps table for our Fall Semester of Growth Phases!

*Thursday, August 19, 7p - 9p  
A Conversation of Faith*

This is an open and informal conversation about life, spirituality, and the person of Jesus without judgment or pressure. We want to hear your thoughts and questions as we explore these themes together without the pressured atmosphere that usually comes with these conversations.

*Sunday, August 29, 5p - 8p  
Welcome to DP Party*

Join us for our Welcome to DP Party! Connect with others while enjoying a meal. Learn more about Dwelling Place and our vision/mission and discover how you can make a difference in becoming a member! Childcare will be provided.

## GIVE

*"His Blueprint" Capital  
Campaign - He Has Chosen Us!*

We encourage each of you to continue to ask God what He would have you give to our capital campaign!

Goal by June 2022  
\$220,000

Commitment Levels:

One time Legacy Gifts

20K - Gold Legacy Gift

10K - Silver Legacy Gift

1K - Precious Stone Legacy Gift

Monthly Pledges

\$500, \$250, \$150, \$50

Did you know you can give via text? Just text any dollar amount to 84321 to give. You will follow a quick, self-guided setup process to tie your mobile phone to our church, your donor account, and a payment source. After that, donating is as easy as sending a text.

## GROUP

*Sunday, July 25, 2p - 5p -  
Picnic in the Park*

Join us at Logan Park Farm in Acworth under the pavillion as we group together for an afternoon of fun. Bring sides for your family; we will provide chicken and drinks. This is a great time to connect with other DP families, we hope to see you there!

*Sunday, August 1 + 15 -  
Connect Group Night*

Our connect groups will be meeting all over the area this evening.