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“Enduring the End-Times” ...

Here is a call for the endurance and faith of the saints.” (Revelation 13:10)

End-Times Itinerary

Matthew 24:10-14 – (10) “And then many will fall away (*be offended*) and betray one another and hate one another. (11) And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray. (12) And because lawlessness will be increased, the love of many will grow cold. (13) *But the one who endures to the end will be saved*.

(14) And this gospel of the kingdom will be proclaimed throughout the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come.”

Christians Falling Away & Led Astray

2 Thessalonians 2:1-3 – (1) “Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and *by our gathering together unto him*, (2) that ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. (3) Let no man deceive you by any means: for *that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first*, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition” (KJV)

Response:

Hold on to Jesus

Colossians 2:8, 18-19 – (8) “See to it that no one takes you captive by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the world, and not according to Christ. (18) Let no one disqualify you, insisting on asceticism and worship of angels, going on in detail about visions, puffed up without reason by his sensuous mind, (19) and not *holding fast to the Head*, from whom the whole body, nourished and knit together through its joints and ligaments, grows with a growth that is from God.”

Key Point: Hold Fast to Christ to Survive the Last Days
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Hold Fast to Jesus’ Body

Hebrews 10:24-25 – (24) “And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, (25) not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.”

Keep a Hold on Yourself

Luke 21:34-36 – (34) “But watch yourselves lest your hearts be weighed down with dissipation and drunkenness and cares of this life, and that day come upon you suddenly like a trap. (35) For it will come upon all who dwell on the face of the whole earth. (36) But stay awake at all times, praying that you may have strength to escape all these things that are going to take place, and to stand before the Son of Man.”

Questions:

What impacted me the most in this message?

Am I given to being offended? (Eccl. 7:20-21)

Am I clinging to Jesus and the gospel message? (Acts 4:12; Gal. 1:6-8)