

**Outline – October 4, 2020**  
**Matthew 24:14-21; John 5:43**  
**The Lamb Or The Beast**  
**Revelation 12:9-11; Revelation 13:1-18**

**Know Who You Are, Know Where You Are, Know Your Opponent**

**I. What Bible prophecy does**

- A. It acts like a GPS
  - 1. Tells us where we are
  - 2. Where we are going
  - 3. Warns us what's up ahead
- B. When others "missed it" the Bible got it right

**II. The great warning (of the last days)**

- A. There is an "enemy" working in the shadow of history (many alias')
  - 1. The thief
  - 2. Forces of darkness
  - 3. Abomination of desolation
  - 4. The son of perdition
  - 5. Man of sin – lawlessness
  - 6. The beast
  - 7. The antichrist
- B. Satan is found from Genesis to Revelation
- C. As we get closer to the return of Jesus (Satan's plan becomes more apparent)
- D. We cannot afford to be ignorant of the times in which we are living
- E. Two motives of Satan
  - 1. Casualties
  - 2. Converts

**III. Why is this significant to anyone today?  
(What does this have to do with me?)**

- A. All of us will follow either the Messiah or the Antichrist
  - 1. John 5:43
  - 2. 1 John 4:1-3
- B. Our hearts are being prepared today for one or the other

**IV. So who is the Antichrist?**

- A. A real person
- B. A world leader (like those of yesteryear)
- C. Will have supreme power and authority
- D. Hates God, followers of Jesus, Israel, Bible, morality
- E. Promotes rebellion, division, hate and perversion

- F. Will have a seductive appeal
    - 1. Charisma
    - 2. Power
    - 3. Charm
  - G. Has a sinister ambition
    - 1. Wants worship as deity
    - 2. Wants to deny the Savior
    - 3. Wants to dismiss God
    - 4. Wants to destroy believer
    - 5. Wants to deceive Israel
  - H. Creates social agitation
    - 1. Dominate society
    - 2. More rebellion – less resistance
    - 3. More chaos – less commitment
    - 4. More unrest – less understanding
    - 5. More fighting – less faith
    - 6. More dissension – less determination
  - I. Has a supporting agent
    - 1. Control hearts of those who follow him
    - 2. Control commerce, wealth, and business (must have the mark)
    - 3. Controls beliefs and future
  - J. Has a special agenda
    - 1. Create false doctrine
    - 2. Create division
    - 3. Create deception
- V. Where are we today?**
- A. Everything is in place
  - B. Bible prophecy is being fulfilled
  - C. The world is primed and ready for the return of Jesus
  - D. Where are you today?
  - E. You are following one or the other

**The Warning Has Been Given**  
**The Events Are In Place**

**Hearts Are Being Prepared For One Or The Other**

**Are You Ready? Which Will You Follow?**

