

Christ and the Anti-Christ

1 John 2:18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

Anti "Christs" have filled our world. We do not see nor do we understand that they represent the very fiber of Satan in our society. They fill our television sets, they lead our governments, they teach in our schools, and they even fill our pulpits. Satan is an angel of light, people see this light and think that it is good; because light is good. We must search the Scriptures to find the similarities and differences between Christ and Antichrist. When we know and understand these we will readily recognize the Lord Jesus Christ and all anti-christs.

1. Where does he come from?

a. CHRIST CAME FROM ABOVE: John 6:38 For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.

b. ANTICHRIST WILL COME FROM BELOW: Revelation 11:7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

2. Who's name does he bear?

a. CHRIST CAME IN HIS FATHER'S NAME: John 5:43 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

b. ANTICHRIST WILL COME IN HIS OWN NAME: John 5:43 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

3. How does he portray himself?

a. CHRIST HUMBLLED HIMSELF: Philippians 2:8 And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

b. ANTICHRIST EXALTS HIMSELF: 2 Thessalonians 2:4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

4. How does the world receive him?

a. CHRIST IS DESPISED: Isaiah 53:3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from

him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Luke 23:18 And they cried out all at once, saying, Away with this man, and release unto us Barabbas:

b. ANTICHRIST IS ADMIRER: Revelation 13:3-4 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?

5. How does God receive him?

a. CHRIST IS EXALTED BY GOD: Philippians 2:9 Wherefore God also hath highly exalted him, and given him a name which is above every name:

b. ANTICHRIST IS CAST DOWN TO HELL BY GOD: Isaiah 14:14-15 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit. Revelation 19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

6. Who's will does he do?

a. CHRIST CAME TO DO THE FATHER'S WILL: John 6:38 For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of him that sent me.

b. ANTICHRIST CAME TO DO HIS OWN WILL: Daniel 11:36 And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.

7. What did he come to do?

a. CHRIST CAME TO SAVE: Luke 19:10 For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.

b. ANTICHRIST CAME TO DESTROY: Daniel 8:24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practice, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.

8. How does he care for his followers?

a. CHRIST IS THE GOOD SHEPHERD: John 10:4-15 And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and the sheep follow him: for they know his voice. And a stranger will they not follow, but will flee from him: for they know not the voice of strangers. This parable spake Jesus unto them: but they understood not what things they were which he spake unto them. Then said Jesus unto them again, Verily, verily, I say unto you, I am the door of the sheep.

All that ever came before me are thieves and robbers: but the sheep did not hear them. I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture. The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly. I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for the sheep. But he that is an hireling, and not the shepherd, whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming, and leaveth the sheep, and fleeth: and the wolf catcheth them, and scattereth the sheep. The hireling fleeth, because he is an hireling, and careth not for the sheep. I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep.

b. ANTICHRIST IS THE IDOL SHEPHERD: Zechariah 11:16-17 For, lo, I will raise up a shepherd in the land, which shall not visit those that be cut off, neither shall see the young one, nor heal that that is broken, nor feed that that standeth still: but he shall eat the flesh of the fat, and tear their claws in pieces. Woe to the idol shepherd that leaveth the flock! the sword shall be upon his arm, and upon his right eye: his arm shall be clean dried up, and his right eye shall be utterly darkened.

9. What kind of vine is he?

a. CHRIST IS THE TRUE VINE: John 15:1 I am the true vine, and my Father is the husbandman.

b. ANTICHRIST IS THE VINE OF THE EARTH: Revelation 14:18 And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

10. Is he honest?

a. CHRIST IS THE TRUTH: John 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

b. ANTICHRIST IS THE LIE: 2 Thessalonians 2:11 And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie:

11. What is he?

a. CHRIST IS THE HOLY ONE: Mark 1:24 Saying, Let us alone; what have we to do with thee, thou Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art, the Holy One of God.

b. ANTICHRIST IS THE WICKED ONE: 2 Thessalonians 2:8 And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming:

12. What kind of man is he?

a. CHRIST IS THE MAN OF SORROWS: Isaiah 53:3 He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief: and we hid as it were our faces from him; he was despised, and we esteemed him not.

b. ANTICHRIST IS THE MAN OF SIN: 2 Thessalonians 2:3 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;

13. Who's son is he?

a. CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD: Luke 1:35 And the angel answered and said unto her, The Holy Ghost shall come upon thee, and the power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God.

b. ANTICHRIST IS THE SON OF PERDITION: 2 Thessalonians 2:3 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;

14. What does he try to teach?

a. CHRIST IS THE MYSTERY OF GODLINESS: 1 Timothy 3:16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifest in the flesh, justified in the Spirit, seen of angels, preached unto the Gentiles, believed on in the world, received up into glory.

b. ANTICHRIST IS THE MYSTERY OF INIQUITY: 2 Thessalonians 2:7 For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

15. Who does he picture?

a. CHRIST CAME IN THE IMAGE OF GOD: Colossians 1:15 Who is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of every creature:

b. ANTICHRIST CAME IN THE IMAGE OF SATAN: Revelation 13:1-4 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?

16. Who is he associated with?

a. CHRIST IS PART OF THE HEAVENLY TRINITY: Matthew 28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

b. ANTICHRIST IS PART OF THE UNHOLY TRINITY: Revelation 16:13 And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

17. What animal does he typify?

a. CHRIST IS A SACRIFICIAL LAMB: 1 Peter 1:19 But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot:

b. ANTICHRIST IS A SAVAGE BEAST: Revelation 13:2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

18. Who empowers him?

a. CHRIST'S POWER IS FROM GOD: Matthew 28:18 And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

b. ANTICHRIST'S POWER IS FROM SATAN: Revelation 13:2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

19. Who resurrected him?

a. CHRIST IS RESURRECTED BY GOD: Romans 1:4 And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead:

b. ANTICHRIST IS RESURRECTED BY THE BEAST: Revelation 13:3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. Revelation 13:12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

20. Who worships him?

a. CHRIST RECEIVES WORSHIP OF THE BELIEVERS: Luke 24:52 And they worshipped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy:

b. ANTICHRIST RECEIVES WORSHIP OF THE WORLD: Revelation 13:3,4,8 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him? ... And all that

dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

21. How does he speak?

a. CHRIST IS A GREAT SPEAKER: John 7:46 The officers answered, Never man spake like this man.

b. ANTICHRIST IS A GREAT SPEAKER: Revelation 13:5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months. Daniel 7:8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

22. How long is his ministry?

a. CHRIST'S MINISTRY WAS THREE AND A HALF YEARS: John 2:13 And the Jews' passover was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem, John 6:4 And the passover, a feast of the Jews, was nigh. John 11:55 And the Jews' passover was nigh at hand: and many went out of the country up to Jerusalem before the passover, to purify themselves.

b. ANTICHRIST'S MINISTRY WILL BE THREE AND A HALF YEARS: Revelation 13:5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.

23. What is his number?

a. CHRIST'S NUMBER IS 7: Revelation 5:6,12 And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth. ... Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

b. ANTICHRIST'S NUMBER IS 666: Revelation 13:18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.

24. How does he treat his bride?

a. CHRIST LOVES HIS BRIDE: Revelation 21:1-2 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

b. ANTICHRIST KILLS HIS BRIDE: Revelation 17:16-18 And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make

her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire. For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled. And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

25. What does he ride?

a. CHRIST RIDES A WHITE HORSE: Revelation 19:11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

b. ANTICHRIST RIDES A WHITE HORSE: Revelation 6:2 And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

26. What is on his head?

a. CHRIST WEARS MANY CROWNS: Revelation 19:12 His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

b. ANTICHRIST WEARS A SINGLE CROWN: Revelation 6:2 And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

27. What is his weapon?

a. CHRIST HAS A SHARP SWORD: Revelation 19:15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

b. ANTICHRIST CARRIES A BOW: Revelation 6:2 And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

28. What is his purpose?

a. CHRIST COMES TO RULE: Revelation 19:15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

b. ANTICHRIST COMES TO CONQUER: Revelation 6:2 And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

29. What follows him?

a. CHRIST IS FOLLOWED BY WHITE HORSES: Revelation 19:14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

b. ANTICHRIST IS FOLLOWED BY RED, BLACK, AND PALE HORSES: Revelation 6:4-8 ... another horse that was red: ... a black horse; ... behold a pale horse ...

30. Who follows him?

a. CHRIST IS FOLLOWED BY THE ARMIES OF HEAVEN: Revelation 19:14 And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

b. ANTICHRIST IS FOLLOWED BY DEATH, FAMINE, AND HELL: Revelation 6:4-8 And there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: ... And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand. And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; ... And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him.