

1st John #41

“Anti-Christ’s”

1st John 2:18-19

The last hour is the last opportunity that Satan has to attempt to control the entire human race.

So, the last days or last times refer to the Church Age and the Tribulation and we’re living in the last days, just like Peter, Paul and John.

The Antichrist is the major human leader during the Tribulation who opposes the plan of God.

John taught that fellowship with God is based on fellowship with the eye-witness apostle’s doctrine.

Remember; breaks in fellowship aren't primarily due to immoral behavioral sin because God has provided a grace solution for that; in Jn’s day it’s because the false teachers have adopted a false view of Jesus Christ.

The Incarnation of the true humanity of Jesus Christ is the precedent for the Church Age spiritual life, so an attack on the real humanity of Christ is an assault on all humanity’s chances to live the spiritual life.

So, if we don't have our Church Age doctrine correct, we can't have fellowship with the apostles or God the Father or the Son but the right doctrine alone or the right actions alone don't do it; both the right doctrine and proper application are necessary for fellowship with God.

John says the false teachers *separated from us*, not because of a specific physical sin but because they had a different doctrine.

If they had kept the same doctrine, they would’ve remained in fellowship with the apostles and the Father and Son.

Because they chose false doctrine, they couldn’t remain in fellowship with the apostles or God, so they remained antichrists.