



“Our Christ”

The Message
I John 2:18-23

The antichrists lack the:

I. Abiding - “would ...have continued with us” (vs. 18-19)

They are :

A. **Predicted** - “as ye have heard”

B. **Present** - “even now are there many”

C. **Pretenders** - “made manifest that they were not...of us”

Professing not possessing

II. Anointing –“But ye have an unction” (vs. 20-21)

They lack truth that’s:

A. **Universal** - “ye know all things”

B. **Understanding** - “because ye know it (the truth)”

C. **Unadulterated** - “ye know ...that no lie is of the truth”

III. Acknowledging - “he that acknowledges the Son” (vs. 22-23)

They will :

A. **Deny** – “is a liar”

Refuse

B. **Defy** – “is antichrist”

oppose

C. **Decry** – “hath not the Father”

Devalue

Sentence Sermon:

“He that begun a good work in you will complete it without fail.”

Additional Verses

- *Psalm 105:15*
- *II John 9*
- *Matthew 2:22*
- *Luke 11:11*
- *Matthew 24:24*
- *II Thessalonians 2:3-4*
- *Revelation 13:1-10; 19:20; 20:10*
- *Matthew 7:15*
- *Philippians 1:6*
- *I John 4:3*
- *John 10:30*
- *John 4:29, 42; 20:31; 14:26*
- *Hebrews 1:1-2*
- *Matthew 13:24-30*

Questions to Ponder:

1. Who is John writing to? How do we know?
2. Who is this passage about?
3. What is meant by “the last time?”
4. How does John know that they heard of antichrist?
5. What are we to make of the absence of a definite article?
6. What is the difference between “from us” and “of us?”
7. What is an unction? When does someone get one?
8. What is John trying to convey in verse 21?
9. What is the Truth connected to?
10. Who denies the Son?
11. Why is having the Father important?

v. 18.

- Little children= “paidia” small children (same v.14)
- It is the last time = 4th quarter, 3rd period or more like 9th Inning for us because we don’t know how long it lasts.
- As ye have heard= you were told in the past
- That the antichrist = anti Christ....anti can mean at least 2 things:
 - Substitution - In the place of, instead of
 - Opposition - In opposition to, or against
- Shall come = “is coming”
- Are there many antichrists= plural....not the but many
- Whereby we know = by the very fact that there are
- That this is the last time =

V. 19

- They went out from us = simple origin not likeness....speaks of group of people who were following Jesus and the Apostles but have left the group....
- But =
- Were not of us = likeness or genuineness
- For if they had been of us = likeness
- They would have continued with us= to remain... (found 7 times between v. 19-28) where does he get an idea like that....perhaps Philippians 1:6
- But =

- That they might be made manifest = it helps clarify who they are when they left....WHEAT and TARES of Matthew 13
- That they were not all of us = Some were clearly not teaching sound doctrine.

v. 20.

- But ye =
- Have an unction = an anointing
- From the Holy one = from the Father and the Son....He is the Holy Spirit (John 14:26)
- And =
- Ye know all things = better --- ye all know things
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v. 21.

- I have not written to you = the reason I wrote to you was not

v. 22.

- Who is a liar = better....it has the definite article in the greek ...so, “who is the liar”
- But he that denieth = does not agree
- That Jesus is the Christ = cp. I John 4:3
 - **To deny the deity of Christ is to reveal that you do not have the Father living inside of you.**

- **To confess the Son as Savior shows that the Father dwells within you as well. John 14:21**



- **Islam does not acknowledge the deity of Christ, they do not have the Father.**
- **Judaism does not acknowledge the deity of Christ, They do not have the Father.**
- **The Jehovah's Witnesses do not acknowledge the deity of Christ. They do not have the Father.**
- **Mormons do not acknowledge the deity of Christ. They do not have the Father.**
- **Theologians who do not acknowledge the deity of Christ. They do not have the Father.**

- **Look at what a teacher is saying about Christ, and if he is a false teacher, an antichrist, you will see the denial of Christ somewhere in his teaching.**

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- He is the antichrist =
- That denies the Father and the Son =

v. 23.

- Whosoever = all those who do this
- Denieth the Son =
- The same hath not the Father = is not in a relationship with the Father ...therefore not born again.
- Be that acknowledges =

- The Son =
- Has the Father also = (John 14:6)