

Study Guide: "1 John Lesson 42"

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Quiz: Short Answer Questions

Answer the following questions based on the source material. Each answer should be 2-3 sentences.

1. In Revelation 13, the Beast is seen rising out of the sea. According to the lesson, what do the sea and the Beast represent?
 2. Who gives authority to the Beast, and what is the world's reaction to this display of power?
 3. What specific act does the Antichrist commit to begin the Great Tribulation, and how long does his authority last?
 4. According to 2 Thessalonians, what is currently restraining the Antichrist, and what must happen for him to be revealed?
 5. How will the Antichrist ultimately be defeated, and what is his final destiny?
 6. The lesson states that the gospel will still be preached during the end times. Name the three sources that will be proclaiming the gospel during the Great Tribulation.
 7. How does the teacher in 1 John differentiate between the final Antichrist and the "many antichrists" who have already arisen?
 8. What happens to the world when the church is raptured at the beginning of the Tribulation?
 9. According to 1 John 2:22, what is the primary identifying characteristic of an antichrist?
 10. What does it mean to "confess" Jesus, according to the lesson's explanation of Romans 10:9 and the Greek word *homologial*?¹
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Answer Key

1. The sea represents humanity and the nations of the world. The Beast rising out of the sea signifies that the Antichrist is a man who comes out of humanity to become a frightening and deadly world ruler.
 2. The Dragon, who is Satan, gives authority to the Beast. The world is so amazed and impressed by the Beast's power, including a seemingly miraculous healing from a mortal wound, that they follow him and worship both the Beast and the Dragon.
 3. The Antichrist goes into the temple in Jerusalem and performs an act of his own deification, proclaiming himself to be God. He is given authority to continue speaking great things and blasphemies for 42 months, which is the three-and-a-half-year period of the Great Tribulation.
 4. God, through His Holy Spirit, is the one restraining the Antichrist from coming into power. The Antichrist, or the "man of sin," cannot be revealed until God puts aside this restraint in His own perfect timing.
 5. The Lord Jesus Christ will overthrow the Antichrist with the breath of His mouth; He only needs to speak, and the Antichrist is dead. Immediately following his defeat, the Antichrist and the False Prophet will be cast into the Lake of Fire.
 6. The gospel will be preached by the two witnesses in Jerusalem, the 144,000 Jews from the twelve tribes, and an angel flying in mid-heaven. This angel will be visible and audible to all as he professes the gospel of Jesus Christ.
 7. The difference is described as one of quantity, not quality. The final Antichrist is the single most blasphemous and evil individual, but any non-believer who rejects Jesus Christ possesses the same spirit of antichrist in quality, making them no different in their core belief.
 8. When the church is gone, its influence is removed from the world, which is a primary reason the world becomes so wicked. Later, the Holy Spirit will also be withdrawn from the world, further allowing lawlessness and evil to flourish.
 9. The defining characteristic of an antichrist is being a liar who denies that Jesus is the Christ. The verse states, *"Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son."*
 10. To confess Jesus means to say the same thing with your mouth that God says about Him. It is to agree with God that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, which, according to Romans 10:9, is the path to salvation.
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Essay Questions

The following questions are designed for deeper reflection and study. Answers are not provided.

1. Analyze the character and role of the Antichrist as a composite figure drawn from Revelation 13 and 2 Thessalonians. Discuss his symbolic appearance, his source of power, his blasphemous actions, and his ultimate goals for humanity, Israel, and believers during the Tribulation.
2. Explain the concept of the "spirit of antichrist" as presented in the lesson on 1 John. How does the speaker use this concept to connect the singular, future Antichrist with any person throughout history who denies that Jesus is the Christ? Discuss the argument regarding the "quality" versus "quantity" of unbelief.
3. Detail the sequence of key events during the end times as described in the source material. Your explanation should include the Rapture of the church, the revealing of the Antichrist, the role of the divine restrainer, the 42-month Great Tribulation, and the final judgment of the Antichrist and the False Prophet.
4. The speaker states that during the Great Tribulation, the world will be divided into two groups: believers and Satan worshippers. Based on the lesson, describe the experiences and fates of both groups, including how people come to believe, the persecution they face, and why the non-believers are deceived into worshipping the Beast.
5. Discuss the significance of confessing Jesus as Christ and Lord. Using the provided definitions and scriptural references (1 John 2:23, 1 John 4:3, Romans 10:9), explain what it means to truly acknowledge the Son and why, according to the lesson, any belief short of this is considered the "language of an antichrist."

Glossary of Key Terms

Term	Definition
Antichrist	The final, supreme evil shepherd God will raise up in the end times. He will perform an act of self-deification in the temple, speak blasphemies against God for 42 months, make war with the Jews and saints, and be empowered by Satan. It is also a term John uses to describe any person who denies that Jesus is the Christ.
Beast	The term used in Revelation 13 to describe the Antichrist. He rises out of the sea (humanity), has seven heads and ten horns, and is an amalgamation of a leopard, bear, and lion.
Book of Life	A book containing the names of those who belong to "the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." Those whose names are not written in it will worship the Antichrist.
Christ	The Hebrew equivalent of Messiah. It means the anointed one: the anointed prophet, priest, and king.

Confess	To acknowledge the Son, Jesus Christ. The Greek term for this means to say the same thing God says about Jesus Christ.
Dragon	The term used in Revelation to refer to Satan. The Dragon gives authority to the Beast (Antichrist).
False Prophet	An associate of the Antichrist. He and the Antichrist are the first two residents of the Lake of Fire.
Great Tribulation	The second half of the seven-year tribulation period, lasting 42 months. It begins when the Antichrist breaks his pact with the Jews, deifies himself in the temple, and begins to murder Jews and believers.
Holy Roman Empire	A historical European empire. Many theologians believe the Antichrist will come from this region (modern Europe, including England, Germany, and France).
Lake of Fire	The final place of judgment for the Antichrist, the False Prophet, Satan, all demons, and all non-believers.
The Lawless One	Another name for the Antichrist, used in 2 Thessalonians.
Messiah	Anointed one. Jesus is the Messiah, the anointed prophet, priest, and king. The word "Christ" is its equivalent.
Rapture	The event where the church is removed from the world. According to the lesson, this happens at the start of the Tribulation.
The Sea	A symbol in Revelation representing humanity and the nations of the world.
Spirit of Antichrist	An attitude of unbelief that has been at work since the Messiah came. Anyone who does not believe in the true Christ possesses this spirit.
Tribulation	A seven-year period of judgment at the end times.

Greek Terminology

• **Homologial**¹ (ho-mo-lo-GEE-al): A Greek word meaning "to confess." It is broken down into *homo* ("same") and *logio* ("word"). The term means to say the same thing with your mouth that God says; to agree with God's word concerning Jesus Christ.

¹This term is referenced in Quiz Question #10.