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**WE LIVE IN VERY UNCERTAIN, DANGEROUS TIMES.**

- Because of sin
- Wickedness
- **Jeremiah 17:9**

**OUR WORLD, COUNTRY IS CHANGING.**

- Our world – we only have one
- Our country – we have only one of that too
- Our communities – it’s ours, it is our home.

**LET ME EXPLAIN AND ANSWER 2 QUESTIONS YOU PROBABLY HAVE FROM THESE 2 VERSES:**

**I. What is the last hour? (last time) (v.18)**

- A. Telling them or reminding them it is the last hour
- B. He also used it eschatologically about the end times  
*Refers to the time from Christ’s death on the cross → through the end of the millennium.*

We are living in the *last hour*, last times. People have been from John’s time to today. It’s why believers looked to the coming of Christ, expecting it to come at any moment (imminent return).

**NOW JESUS MADE CLEAR:**

- > **Mark 13:32**
- > **Acts 1:7**

Yet, He gave us information about the characteristics of the time when he would return (**Matthew 24; Mark 13:28-37**). Mainly that it would be...

**THE LAST HOUR...**

Can seem like a short time, but it also has been a very long time. But we remember:

> **2 Peter 3:8** – “But do not overlook this one fact, beloved, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.”



But the last final time – the Lord comes back. Jesus said:  
> **Matthew 24:42** – “Therefore be on the alert, for you do not know which day your Lord is coming.”

**THE 2ND QUESTION YOU PROBABLY HAVE FROM THESE 2 VERSES:**

**II. Who are these antichrists? (vs.18-19)**

“antichrist” – concept throughout scripture *transliterates* the Greek word: *αντιχριστος* from *Χριστος* – meaning Christ  
*αντι* – meaning against, or in place of

- A. The future antichrist (18a), beast, false prophet (**Rev. 13:1**)
- B. Present antichrists [uses plural]
  1. They were, are dangerous
  2. They were, are clever and smart. Sneak in with their heresy.

Jesus called them wolves in sheep’s clothing (**Matthew 24:11**)

**CONCLUSION:**

- Watch, be aware, we are in the last hour.
- Antichrist’s are around, don’t fall for their false teachings, know and live the truth.
- Signs of the times – they’re out there!
- Christ is coming again, what a day that will be!
- Are you ready? Prepared? Are you saved?
- Christian: Are you laying up treasure in heaven?

**What is a trillion dollars?**

- \$1,000,000,000,000 – written out
- A trillion in seconds: there are 86,400 seconds in a day,
  - A million seconds is 12 days
  - A billion seconds is 31 years
  - A trillion seconds is 31,688 years.
- A trillion in height:
  - \$100 bills stacked, one million would be 40 inches, 3.3 feet high.
  - \$100 bills stacked, one billion would be 0.63 miles high.
  - \$100 bills stacked, one trillion would be 631 miles high.
- If you had a trillion dollars and spent \$1,000,000 each day it would take 2,740 years to spend it all.
- Our U. S. debt: approx. 34.5+ trillion: Stack \$100 bills – 21, 135 miles high