

“Do not _____”
First John 2:18-27
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Introduction: Rumor has it that the world is about to end! They say this Corona virus proves it, that this is the big thing that has indicated the world is coming to an end. True, the world is coming to an end but it may not be tomorrow and it certainly isn't because of this Pandemic. In fact it may not even end by next year, the truth of the matter is only God knows the exact time and day. Believers are warned over and over not to be deceived, careful who you listen to. Careful what preachers/teachers you are watching. There are many false teachers and preachers out there, this is what we will be talking about today.

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Children, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. Therefore we know that it is the last hour. ¹⁹ They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it might become plain that they all are not of us. ²⁰ But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge. ²¹ I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and because no lie is of the truth. ²² Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. ²³ No one who denies the Son has the Father. Whoever confesses the Son has the Father also. ²⁴ Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you too will abide in the Son and in the Father. ²⁵ And this is the promise that he made to us—eternal life. ²⁶ I write these things to you about those who are trying to deceive you. ²⁷ But the anointing that you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you.

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Love does not trump truth!

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4. Why _____?

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Ephesians 4:11-12 (ESV)

11 And he gave the apostles, the prophets, the evangelists, the shepherds and teachers,
12 to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ,

Illustration:

Joseph Smith & Mormonism.

All except the Christian faith refuse to confess that Jesus is God's Son

Application:

Stay connected to God through the Lord Jesus Christ.

Stay connected to solid teaching of God's Word.

Stay connected to a solid church family h

that preaches, teaches and practices the truth of God's Word.