# when lawlessness abounds

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#### signs of the times

<sup>10</sup> And then many will be offended, will betray one another, and will hate one another.

<sup>11</sup> Then many false prophets will rise up and deceive many.

<sup>12</sup> And because lawlessness will abound, <u>the love of many will grow</u> <u>cold</u>.

matthew 24:10-14

#### signs of the times

<sup>13</sup> But he who endures to the end shall be saved.

<sup>14</sup> And this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in all the world as a witness to all the nations, and then the end will come.

matthew 24:10-14

## what is lawlessness?

<sup>4</sup> Everyone who makes a practice of sinning also practices lawlessness; sin is lawlessness.

1 john 3:4 (ESV)

#### what is lawlessness?

<sup>1</sup> But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come:
<sup>2</sup> For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
<sup>3</sup> unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal,
2 timothy 3:1-5

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despisers of good, <sup>4</sup> traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, <sup>5</sup> having a form of godliness but denying its power. And from such people turn away!

2 timothy 3:1-5

## what is lawlessness?

<sup>22</sup> Many will say to Me in that day, 'Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?'

<sup>23</sup> And then I will declare to them, 'I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!'

matthew 7:22-23

## josiah restores true worship

- 2 Kings 23:1-25
- Burned articles made for Baal.
- Removed idolatrous priests.
- Burned wooden image of Asherah.
- Tore down ritual booths (perversion).
- Broke down high places.
- Burned chariots of the sun.
- Broke down and crushed altars.

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- Defiled places for pagan worship.
- Broke sacred pillars in pieces.
- Burned bones that were in tombs.
- Removed shrines for pagan worship.
- Executed priests of pagan worship.
- Put away those who consulted spiritists.
- Put away all abominations.

## as in the days of noah...

<sup>37</sup> But as the days of Noah were, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be.

<sup>38</sup> For as in the days before the flood, they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered the ark,

matthew 24:37-39

## as in the days of noah...

<sup>39</sup> and did not know until the flood came and took them all away, so also will the coming of the Son of Man be. matthew 24:37-39

#### rescued from lawlessness

<sup>6</sup> If we say that we have fellowship with Him, and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth. <sup>7</sup> But if we walk in the light as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus Christ His Son cleanses us from all sin.

1 john 1:6-9

## rescued from lawlessness

<sup>8</sup> If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

<sup>9</sup> If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 john 1:6-9