

First Reformed Presbyterian Church of Cambridge, Massachusetts
The Lord's Day, 8 January Anno Domini 2006

1John 2:18-27

Christ, Christians and Antichrists.

- I. Antichrists attack in the final hour.
 - A. Time at the end.

The 'last days' Micah 4:1; And the 'last times' 1Pet 1:20, 1Cor 10:11.
The last days of the last days, 2Tim 3:1 ff.; 2Peter 3:3; and the last times of the last time, Jude 1:17.
The culminating last time, 1Pet 1:5; Jas 5:3. The final last day, John 6:39, 40, 44, 54; 11:24; 12:48.
 - B. John's "last hour".

Mark 13:32; 1John 2:18, by which we know...
 - C. The adversary and adversaries.

2Thess 2:3, 4; 1John 2:19.
 - D. Their attack: to deny the Son.

- II. Christ's protection is effective.
 - A. You have the Holy Spirit.

Anointing, Anointed, anti-anointed. Luke 4:18; 2Cor 1:21-22.
 - B. The Holy Spirit seals the truth in you.
 - C. You have apostolic teaching.

1John 2:27; John 14:26.
 - D. You remain in communion with Christ and the Father.

Abide: 1John 2:6, 10, 14, 17, 19, 24, 27, 28

- III. Christ's promise and the perseverance of his saints.
 - A. The true believer is blessed with God's indwelling word.
 - B. The true believer confesses Christ.

Matthew 10:32-33.
 - C. The test of gospel faithfulness: perseverance in the truth.
 - D. The Lord's promise to the true believer is eternal life.

1John 1:2. Gen 2:7, 9; Deut 30:15, 19; Mat 7:14; John 14:6; John 17:3; Rev 2:7; Rev 2:10; Rev 3:5; Rev 7:17.
 - E. Abide in him:

1John 1:3-4.