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THE PREACHER AND PERILOUS TIMES

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1. The Character of the last days: three essential perspectives (Context) (Covenant) (The coming of Christ) Num 24:14/Deut 31:29/4:30/Isa 2:2/Daniel 2:28; 10:14/Micah 4:1/John 7:37/Joel 2:28/Acts 2:17/Heb 1:2; 9:26/1Pet1:20 /1 John 2:18/1 Cor 15:28

Context/Covenant/Christ coming

2. The Capstone of His actual coming: Titus 2:11-13/John 14:3/Acts 1:9-11 / 2 Thes 1:7-11/Rev 2-3 ; 22:21 For every sound thinking child of God our true deliverance is at his coming.

3. The characteristics of those who embody last days: 2-4 Self love vs. love for God! Moral decadence hall marks the absence of God's love. It is the vacuum that fills the void. Rom 1:29-31 The Un group: Without Godliness. Dangerous, fierce, grievous, heady, proud, inflated egos.

4. Hypocrisy is their only option: vs5 A shroud of hypocrisy which gives approval to these vices. Religious frauds. Luke 16:10-15: Uncontrolled, reckless, intemperate.

Absent of the power of God: True conversion/conformity/commitment 1 Cor 4:16-20; Liberty from self to Christ: Rom 7:4, 6/Titus 2:11,12/2 Tim 1:9 /1 Pet 4:1-2, 14 (AVOID THEM) 1 Tim 6:20/ 2 Tim 2:16, 23

5. Silly women are their target: Why? Resources! Unsound (little women)/ Burdened with sin/driven by passion/unable to discern the truth: 1 Tim 2:4, 5. They are not saved. Captured by wicked rebellious men. Rev 2:20-21/Gen 3:1-7/ antidote 1 Tim 2:14-15

6. Opposition to the gospel is a given: vs 8,9 It is precisely how God has chosen to glorify Himself in the ministry of the Word. False Teachers vs True! Ex 7:11,22; 8:7,18,19; 9:11/Acts 8:17-20; 13:6-12 bar-Jesus/