**The Antichrist November 1, 2020**

Revelation 13:1-10

The Antichrist

* His name means “**against Christ**” or “in place of Christ”
* Known by different names in Scripture
  + Man of lawlessness
  + Best out of the sea
  + Son of destruction
* He is empowered by Satan and rises to power during the  
  7 year period of the Tribulation
* Will deceive the world
* Will demand **worship** of himself
* Performs false miracles
* Prohibits worship of the Lord God and Jesus Christ

Dragon & Beast from the Sea Revelation 13:1-3

* The dragon or the red dragon is clearly **Satan himself**
* The beast from the sea is the Antichrist who is empowered by Satan to lead the world
* “Beast out of the Sea”
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Worship of the Antichrist Revelation 13:4-10

* For 3 ½ years, the Antichrist will lead the world as the **chief ruler**
  + As he leads, he will demand worship of all people of both the dragon, Satan, and himself, the best of the sea, the Antichrist
* The Antichrist will lead the world to blaspheme God, to profane the name of God, and to reject Him as Lord

What does this mean for me?

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  + We are engaged in a spiritual battle every day
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