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(Revelation 3:10)**

The Hour Of Temptation

There is an interesting verse in 2 Thessalonians, chapter two, verse seven, that reads:

“For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.” KJV

The English language has changed over the years since the Bible was translated into the original King James version of the Bible.

For instance the word “letteth” generally no longer has the same connotation that it once had several hundred years ago. One place where it comes close to retaining its original meaning is in the sport of tennis.

The Merriam-Webster dictionary defines the original meaning of “let” as “Middle English letten, from Old English lettan to delay, hinder”.

As you can see the original meaning of 'let', to delay or hinder, is the opposite of what we now consider its meaning, to allow.

The English Standard Version of the Bible interprets this 2 Thessalonians 2:7 closer to its original meaning.

“For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work. Only he who now restrains it will do so until he is out of the way.”

The “mystery of lawlessness” is fully explained in verses one through twelve of this chapter and there can be no mistaking what this “mystery of lawlessness” is, the coming antichrist world dictator who will proclaim that he is God and demand the world's worship and the implementation of the mark of the beast and the ensuing period of Great Tribulation.

Why hasn't the antichrist yet arisen? For want of a better term, God has placed a restraining order on him, but that restraining is due to expire, and it could be soon.

Which makes us look back over the past few months, even weeks. Wouldn't it seem to appear that the crisis enveloping the world has ratcheted up to an unprecedented level not seen before?

Not to worry, God has promised us power for the hour.

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In every crisis and man made disaster happening in the world today look to see who benefits the most and you will know who is behind it! As the saying goes: “Follow the money”!

“For the love of money is the root of all evil.” 1 Timothy 6:10

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