



Lawlessness

The Increasing Rise of Lawlessness

“And because lawlessness will abound (multiply), the love of many will grow (harden, turn) cold.” (Matthew 24:12)

1. We are living in the day prophesied by Jesus that the rule of law no longer matters.
 - a. People will be disobedient to law, becoming a law to themselves.
 - b. Paul said people will be lovers of themselves, instead of respecting the rights and privacy of others.
2. Institutions we have trusted for direction in life – rule of law and protection against iniquity, are failing us.
 - a. Schools
 - b. Police
 - c. Courts
 - d. Department of Justice
 - e. Catholic Church
 - f. Protestant Churches
 - g. Independent Bible Teaching Churches
3. The ministers no longer fear God or His word. Instead, they fear:
 - a. Political correctness.
 - b. The press
 - c. Any opposing public opinion
 - d. Losing congregational members
4. It's easier to live for the Lord when it's popular.
5. Lawlessness is a complete reversal of right and wrong (Isaiah 5:20-21).
 - a. Right is wrong, and wrong is right.

b. Satan is righteous, and God is unrighteous (2 Timothy 3:1-5).

God Holds His Ministers Accountable

Israel reached this same point before the birth of Jesus

1. The people turned away from God and His Holiness (Hosea 4:19).
2. The priests turned away from God and His Holiness (Malachi 2:1-2, 9-13)

Our Hope is Revival

1. The problem of lawlessness has not changed. Neither has the answer.
2. Revival begins with hearts who hunger to return to God.
3. Believers repenting and confessing their sins begins a revival.
4. Believers humbling themselves.
5. Believers turning from sin, their wicked ways.
6. God will forgive their sins, then heal their land.
7. Our only hope for lawlessness is God's intervention. It begins with hearts returning to prayer, worship, and the word.
8. Our main weapon against Satan is prayer and using our spiritual authority over demons, principalities, powers. Also, winning the lost – the Great Commission – is our first love.
9. We need to pray for kings and all who have authority over us for them to be saved and come to the full knowledge of the truth – become disciples.
10. Satan can outwit and combat any natural answers we come up with. But he cannot combat prayer.