

Living Authentic in an Anti-Christian Culture - Part 1
“The Prediction of an Anti-Christian Culture”

Text: Matthew 24:1-14

Main Idea: Because Jesus _____ that our age would become increasingly anti-Christian, we must live as authentic Christians _____ by the fulfillment of God's sovereign plan.

1. **Being Authentic Requires an Understanding of God's _____**
 - Disciples' attention to the _____ (v. 1)
 - Jesus focus on the _____ (v. 2)

2. **Being Authentic Requires an Understanding of God's _____** (the beginning of the end, vv. 6b, 8)
 - The appearances of false _____ (v. 5)
 - The ongoing presence of _____ (v. 6)
 - The increase of natural _____ (v. 7)
 - The increase of _____ (vv. 9-12)
 - increase in _____ and being _____ for the name of Christ (v. 9)
 - increase in _____ (v. 10)
 - increase in _____ prophets (v. 11)
 - increase in _____, and decrease in _____ (v. 12)

3. **Being Authentic Requires an Understanding of God's _____** (then the end will come, v. 14b)
 - The Hope of _____ (v. 13)
 - The Hope of the _____ (v. 14)

“Though the fig tree should not blossom, nor fruit be on the vines, the produce of the olive fail and the fields yield no food, the flock be cut off from the fold and there be no herd in the stalls, yet I will rejoice in the Lord; I will take joy in the God of my salvation. God, the Lord, is my strength; he makes my feet like the deer's; he makes me tread on my high places.” (Habakkuk 3:17–19, ESV)