11 - Answering Confusion (2 Thessalonians 2:1-12)

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A. The time of restraining (2:6-7)

I.	The Day of the Lord (2:1-5)	
	A. <u>The Issue (2:1)</u>	
	- Paul addresses the issue of the coming of Jesus Christ and	•
	B. <u>The request (2:2-3a)</u>	
	- He doesn't want them to be unsettled or shaken by	
	- This supposed letter was claiming that	
	- They were not to let anyone deceive them concerning	
	C. The events concerning the Day (2:3b-4)	
	1. The falling away (2:3b)	
	- Paul states that before Jesus' comes, there will be	·
	- The falling away refers to Christians who will	·
	Scripture Hebrews 4:4-6	
	2. The Antichrist revealed (2:3c-4)	
	- Next the	is revealed.
	- The Antichrist is also known	
	- The Antichrist opposes and exalts himself above	•
	- The Antichrist proclaims that he is God and	
	D. <u>Call to remembrance (2:5)</u>	
	- Paul asks the Thessalonians if they don't	
II.	The Mystery of Lawlessness (2:6-12)	

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	1.	The purpose (2:6)
		- Paul reminds them that there is a restraining so that
	2.	The mystery at work (2:7)
		- The mystery of lawlessness is already at work for
		- Paul stresses that the restrainer will continue his work until
В.	<u>Th</u>	e lawless one (2:8-12)
	1.	Revealed (2:8)
		- When the restrainer is removed, the
		- Paul stresses the Lord will
	2.	The working of Satan (2:9-10a)
		- The coming of the Antichrist will be supported by
	3.	The deceived (2:10b)
		- Unbelievers will be deceived by the Antichrist because
	4.	The delusion (2:11-12)
		- God confirms their unbelief and acceptance of the Antichrist with
		- God does this so that they will be condemned for