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GETTING READY FOR THE ANTI-CHRIST

We shared in one of the last articles (Why Will God Allow This?) that there is a very good probability that we will experience high inflation in the near future. If you do not have a copy of that article, you may obtain one from the paper office or on the World Wide Web at <http://www.bayourouge.net>.

As our national debt becomes larger and larger, the United States will find it harder to find someone or some nation who will lend us the money we need to operate our government and its programs. Somewhere along the way, it will become necessary to monetize even more of our governments' debt. Of course, more money in circulation means that each dollar bill (Federal Reserve note) will buy less goods and services. Put another way, it will take more of those Federal Reserve notes to buy the same thing we bought a year ago. That is what we call inflation. The inflation we experienced 20 or 30 years ago was just a precursor to what lies ahead for the citizens of the United States and for the rest of the world once the Great Tribulation begins (*Matthew 24:1-51; Revelation 6:7-8*).

When we correlate the prophecies of *2nd Thessalonians 2:1-12* and *2nd Timothy 3:1-5* with the prophecy in *Daniel 8:23-25* we see that in the last days there will be a series of national and international leaders who will rise to power through deceptive means, each one being more deceitful and devious than the previous one. Their boldness and corruptness will encourage the one following to be even bolder, more corrupt and more destructive to the cause of Christ and to the liberty of the saved than the previous one. This series will culminate with the most deceitful and dangerous one of all, the Anti-Christ.

These national and international leaders will ascend to power with the support of most of the citizens because the delusion has already begun. ¹¹*And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: ¹²That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.* *2nd Thessalonians 2:11-12 The New International Version*