FOR THE BROTHERS: A STUDY IN THE EPISTLES OF JAMES, JOHN, JUDE AMEN BIBLE STUDY 2016-2017

John: The Anointing I John 2:18-27 February 2, 2017

I. Antichrists will come in the last days.

cf. II Thessalonians 2:3-10; Revelation 3:11-18

A. The last days are now.

¹⁸ Children, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. Therefore we know that it is the last hour.

cf. Daniel 8-12; Matthew 24:5, 24; Acts 2:17; I Corinthians 10:11; II Timothy 3:1; Hebrews 1:2; James 5:3

B. The antichrists will leave believing churches.

¹⁹ They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us. But they went out, that it might become plain that they all are not of us.

cf. Acts 20:29-31; John 13:30; Jude 24

II. Believers will stand firm in the last days.

A. They have the anointing.

²⁰ But you have been anointed by the Holy One, and you all have knowledge.

cf. Isaiah 61:1; Acts 10:38; Hebrews 1:1-9; II Corinthians 1:21, 22

B. They know the truth.

²¹ I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, ...

cf. John 14:26; 16:13, 14

C. They recognize lies.

... and because no lie is of the truth.

1. Liars deny that Jesus is the Christ.

... 22 Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ?

2. Liars also deny the Father.

... This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son. ²³ No one who denies the Son has the Father. Whoever confesses the Son has the Father also.

cf. John 5:22, 23; 14:6; 15:23; Acts 4:12; I John 4:3, 15

III. Believers must abide.

A. In the gospel.

²⁴ Let what you heard from the beginning abide in you. If what you heard from the beginning abides in you, then you too will abide in the Son and in the Father. ²⁵ And this is the promise that he made to us—eternal life. cf. John 3:16; 5:24-27; 15:7; 17:1-3; I John 5:11-13

B. In the anointing.

²⁶ I write these things to you about those who are trying to deceive you.²⁷ But the anointing that you received from him abides in you, and you have no need that anyone should teach you....

cf. Ephesians 4:11; Hebrews 8:11

C. In Him.

... But as his anointing teaches you about everything, and is true, and is no lie—just as it has taught you, abide in him.

cf. John 15:1-7