

Perilous Times Shall Come

2 Tim.3:1-9

The last days will be a time of great blessings and great hardships all at the same time. The wheat and tares will grow together, darkness will get darker and light brighter. Is.60:1-2. Let us look at what Apostle Paul says about it.

1. Know this - "perilous times will come" for everyone on earth 2 Tim.3:1
 - A. perilous means dangerous, fierce and hard to endure.

2. Why will it come?
 - A. Loss of godly character in general. 3:1-5; 2 Thess.2:1-4 (outcome of New Age)
 - B. Loss of Love for truth. 3:8,13; 2Thess. 2:5-12; Rms.1:18-32 (increases darkness)
 - C. Loosing of demons. 1Tim.4:1. In the church (spiritual warfare) in the world (cults)

3. Admonitions to Christians.
 - A. The light will get brighter. (cleanse means brighten) greater revelation and power.
 - B. Continue to follow godly examples. 2 Tim.3:10-12 (in the midst of ungodliness)
 - C. Expect persecution. Vs.12
 - Reasons: You are not of this world- Jn.15:19
 - You convict the world of sin - Jn.15:18,22
 - The world does not know God or Christ - Jn.15:21; 16:3
 - D. Continue in the word. 2 Tim.3:14-17
 - Reasons: Who you learned it from (Timothy's parents and Paul) - vs.14-15
 - It produces assurance (faith) - vs.14-15
 - It provides wisdom that delivers you (salvation) - vs.15
 - It equips you to fulfill your calling -vs.16-17
 - E. Continue to see the goal. 2 Tim.4:7-8
 - F. Continue to stand with the Lord. He will stand with you. 2 Tim.4:17-18