

NIV MEMORY VERSE: 1 Peter 5:8**PROPHECY/REVELATION 3-1**

Be self-controlled and alert. Your enemy the devil prowls around like a roaring lion looking for someone to devour.

**"THE CONDITIONS IN THE WORLD AND IN THE CHURCH
IN THE LAST DAYS"**

1. What thoughts impressed you in the last week's lecture?
2. a. People have always been curious about the future. In Matthew 24:2-3, what questions did the disciples ask Jesus on the Mount of Olives after He revealed the temple would be destroyed?

b. Write the question (and answer) asked Jesus in Acts 1:6,7.
Q:

A:

c. What question regarding the future would you like to ask Jesus?

d. Share some advantages/disadvantages you think a person would have by knowing future events.
3. a. In Matthew 24:36, what did Jesus say about the time of His return?

b. Describe in a sentence or two the world at His coming from Matthew 24:37-39 and Luke 17:26-30.
4. According to 2 Peter 3:3-4, what attitude is evident in the "last days?"
5. a. Read 2 Timothy 3:1-5 and fill in the characteristics people will have in the last days.

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2)	7)	12)	17)
3)	8)	13)	18)
4)	9)	14)	19)
5)	10)	15)	

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5. b. From either your personal experience or as demonstrated in TV and movies, share a modern example of two of the characteristics given above.
 - c. In your opinion, what can a Christian do to remain faithful and persevere in an evil society?
6. What did Jesus tell His followers to expect in the future according to these Scriptures?
 - a. Matthew 24:9
 - b. Matthew 24:10
 - c. Matthew 24:11
 - d. Matthew 24:12,13
 - e. John 15:18-20
7. a. What was Paul's observation in 2 Timothy 3:12?
 - b. What are some forms of persecution Christians face today both in the U.S. and around the world?
8. What warning did Paul give the church in . . .
 - a. 1 Timothy 4:1,2?
 - b. 2 Timothy 4:3,4?
 - c. Titus 1:16?
9. Jesus knew that apostasy would enter the church.
 - a. What did He teach in the parable of Matthew 13:24-30?
 - b. Identify the "good seed" and the "weeds" as defined in Matthew 13:37-43.

PROPHECY/REVELATION 3-4

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10. These are perilous times for the world and the church. Summarize in your own words the message you receive from the following verses:
 - a. Hebrews 2:1
 - b. Hebrews 10:36-39
 - c. 1 John 5:4,5
11. Do you know someone who has the attitude of a "scoffer" or is unaware that we are living in the "last days?" What have you learned in this lesson that you think they should know?
12. Consider the world we're living in today – how do you think it's fulfilling Bible prophecy?

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: