

# **Power, Signs and Lying Wonders**

( 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12)

The spreading of mis-information is a very real concern in our modern day society. With the huge mass of electronic information available at our finger tips we are perhaps the most informed generation in the history of mankind. It is said that “knowledge is power” (*Thomas Hobbs, philosopher 1588-1679*) and with it comes great responsibility. With advancements in software technology and graphics we can no longer trust what we see and hear to be the absolute truth.

When it comes to the spiritual well-being of God’s people the search for the truth has always been of the utmost concern. The second letter to the church at Thessalonica seems to indicate that they were receiving some very disturbing teaching. Had the resurrection passed and they had missed it? Could it be possible that the persecution they were facing was the beginning of the end? According to some teachers it would seem that these things were true. But Paul assures them this is the work of Satan and that God will take vengeance on those who worry his people with such nonsense.

Spiritual mis-information is still being taught and in this information age it would seem an impossible task to tell the truth from a lie. But with diligence and study Jesus assures us “you shall know the truth and the truth shall set you free.” (Jn, 8:32)

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