

***“Remain In Him”***  
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**1 John - Part 4**  
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“Dear children, this is the last hour. . .”  
1 John 2:18 (NIV)

**1. There is an external threat.**

“Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—comes not from the Father but from the world. The world and its desires pass away, but whoever does the will of God lives forever.” 1 John 2:15-17 (NIV)

The Garden of Eden in Genesis 3  
&  
The Temptation of Jesus in Matthew 4

**- The Lust of the Flesh: “If it feels good, do it.”**

**- The Lust of the Eyes: “I have to have it.”**

**- The Pride of Life: “I deserve this.”**

**2. There is an internal threat.**

“Dear children, this is the last hour; and as you have heard that the antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come. This is how we know it is the last hour.” 1 John 2:18 (NIV)

“but every spirit that does not acknowledge Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you have heard is coming and even now is already in the world.” 1 John 4:3 (NIV)

**3 Marks of Antichrists:**

**1. They Defect.**

“They went out from us, but they did not really belong to us.”  
1 John 2:19 (NIV)

“And many false prophets will appear and will deceive many people. Sin will be rampant everywhere, and the love of many will grow cold. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.”  
Matthew 24:11-13 (NLT)

**2. They deny.**

“Who is the liar? It is whoever denies that Jesus is the Christ. Such a person is the antichrist—denying the Father and the Son. No one who denies the Son has the Father; whoever acknowledges the Son has the Father also.” 1 John 2:22-23 (NIV)

**3. They deceive.**

“I am writing these things to you about those who are trying to lead you astray.” 1 John 2:26 (NIV)

“We know also that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true. And we are in him who is true by being in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.” 1 John 5:20 (NIV)

“And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.” 1 John 5:11-12 (NIV)

**3 Anchors in a Deceptive World:**

**1. We have an anointing.**

“But you have an anointing from the Holy One, and all of you know the truth.” 1 John 2:20 (NIV)

“As for you, the anointing you received from him remains in you, and you do not need anyone to teach you.” 1 John 2:27 (NIV)

**2. We abide in the truth.**

“As for you, see that what you have heard from the beginning remains in you. If it does, you also will remain in the Son and in the Father.”  
1 John 2:24 (NIV)

**3. We have confidence at His appearing.**

“And now, dear children, continue in him, so that when he appears we may be confident and unashamed before him at his coming.”  
1 John 2:28 (NIV)