

## #461 Thomas Paine and God Trying Men's Souls – The Hour of Temptation and the Church of Philadelphia, part 1

Back in Unsealing [#454](#), it was said that Thomas Paine's famous words, *These are the times that try men's souls*, were ordained for the purpose of revealing the counterfeit battle for souls, characterized by Tyranny vs. Democracy, and as a part of that, were ordained for the purpose of fulfilling the prophetic passages surrounding Daniel 12:10 and Revelation 3:10. We have now addressed *These are the times that try men's souls* and its relevance to Daniel 12:10. [However, we have more upcoming work to do on Daniel 12:10.]

*Daniel 12:10 (KJV) MANY SHALL BE PURIFIED, and MADE WHITE, and TRIED; but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.*

**Key Understanding:** Now it is time to examine the relevance of Thomas Paine's *These are the times that try men's souls* to the passage of the letter to the Church in Philadelphia (Revelation 3:7-13), focusing on Revelation 3:10.

*Revelation 3:7, 10 (KJV) And to the angel of the CHURCH IN PHILADELPHIA write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth; 10 Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from THE HOUR OF TEMPTATION, which shall come upon all the world, TO TRY THEM that dwell upon the earth.*



We previously focused on the Church in Philadelphia in Unsealings [#9–#20](#). To refresh our memories, here are some of the titles:

Unsealing [#9](#) Six vs. Seven – The Church of Philadelphia, the Six Church vs. The Church of Laodicea, the Seven Church

Unsealing [#10](#) Six vs. Seven – The Church of Laodicea, the Seven Church, is the Church of Philadelphia, *Pennsylvania*

Unsealing [#11](#) Six vs. Seven – The *Declaration of Independence* of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, can be seen in the Church of Laodicea

Unsealing [#14](#) Six vs. Seven – The Church with *The Spirit of '76*

Unsealing [#16](#) Six vs. Seven – October 19, 1781, at Yorktown: *The World Turned Upside Down*, completing the victory for *The Spirit of '76*

Unsealing [#20](#) Six vs. Seven – The 6-year to 7-year Revolutionary War: The prophetic connections with the confusion of the Six Church of Philadelphia and the Seven Church of Laodicea are why the Revolutionary War lasted exactly 6.5 years from its key beginning battle of April 19, 1775, to the surrender at Yorktown on October 19, 1781

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