

**#462 Thomas Paine and God Trying Men's Souls – The Hour of Temptation and the Church of Philadelphia, part 2, The Matthew 4:8-9 Tempter's Temptation and the Revelation 3:10 Hour of Temptation**

**Key Understanding:** *The tempter's temptation.* Let's correlate a portion of the *temptation* passage of Matthew 4:1-11 (the Temptations of Jesus Christ) with Revelation 3:7-13 (the letter to the Church in Philadelphia) by reading about the tempter's temptation of Jesus Christ in the specific verses of Matthew 4:8-9, and the Hour of Temptation in the specific verse of Revelation 3:10.

*This* Unsealing, #462, is about the fact **that** the theme of *temptation* is in both Matthew 4:8-9 and Revelation 3:10; the *next* Unsealing, #463, will be about **the nature** of the *temptation* in each, drawing the two passages together in a close relationship with one another.

***Matthew 4:1, 8-11 (KJV) Then was Jesus led up of the Spirit into the wilderness TO BE TEMPTED of the devil.***

***8 Again, the devil [called THE TEMPTER in verse 3] taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, AND SHEWETH HIM ALL THE KINGDOMS OF THE WORLD, AND THE GLORY OF THEM;***

***9 And saith unto him, ALL THESE THINGS WILL I GIVE THEE, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.***

***10 Then saith Jesus unto him, Get thee hence, Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.***

***11 Then the devil leaveth him, and, behold, angels came and ministered unto him.***



Here is what is written to the Church in Philadelphia.

***Revelation 3:7-13 (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;***

***8 I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.***

9 Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

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.**

11 Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

12 Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

13 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

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