

Daily Devotion For January 7, 2021

³Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and **the man of lawlessness** is revealed, the son of destruction," 2 Thessalonians 2:3

Vance Havner, the former Chaplain of the United States Senate once said, "The Scriptures teach that the age will end in **anarchy, apostasy, and apathy** – **anarchy** in the world, **apostasy** in the professing church, and even **apathy** in the true church – because **lawlessness** shall abound, the love of most will wax cold. Men will turn from the truth to fables."

What Vance Havner said over 50 years ago looks a lot like what happened at our nation's capitol yesterday. Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines "**anarchy**" as: a situation of confusion and wild behavior in which the people in a country, group, organization, etc., are not controlled by rules or laws."

The United States Constitution grants us freedom of speech and the "right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the Government for a redress of grievances." Peaceful protests are good and valid in our society. However, it appears to me that the protests we saw yesterday comes dangerously close to anarchy. Property at our nation's capitol was destroyed and one woman even lost her life.

I have mentioned many times that there is a spiritual battle taking place between God and Satan for the heart and soul of our nation. Satan is referred to in scripture as the **man of lawlessness**. As Christians we should pray that the Lord would bind the work of the **man of lawlessness**.

Thought For Today: What are your reflections on what happened at our nation's capitol yesterday?

Today's Prayer Focus: In a divided nation, our only help is in the Lord. "Take time to pray for our nation and that we truly might be "one nation under God." Pray for wisdom and guidance for our nation's leaders. Continue to pray this week's prayer fuel. Deo Volente.