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# The Gospel of Grace — What Is Restraining Evil in the World Right Now?

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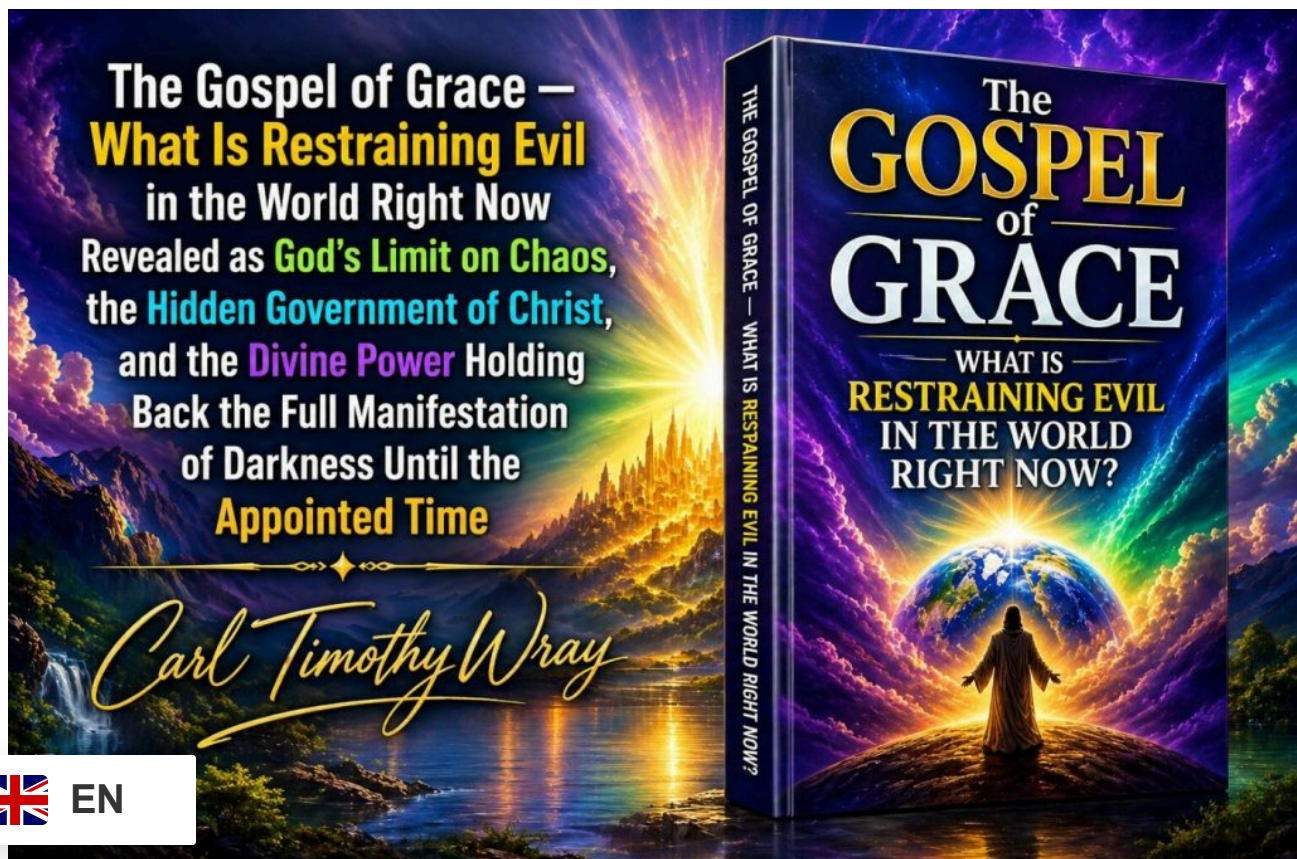


# Manifestation of Darkness Until the Appointed Time

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The Gospel of Grace — What Is Restraining Evil in the World Right Now? answers one of the most urgent and widely searched questions of our time. Through the full counsel of Scripture—from Genesis to Revelation—this book reveals that evil is not operating freely, but under divine restraint. Exploring key passages such as 2 Thessalonians 2:6–7, Matthew 24:22, and Colossians 1:17, Carl Timothy Wray uncovers the hidden government of Christ that limits chaos, shortens the age, and prevents the full manifestation of darkness until the appointed time. This teaching brings clarity to global instability, removes fear, and reveals the active reign of God in the [present world](#).

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## **The Gospel of Grace: INTRODUCTION**

If you look honestly at the condition of the world, one question rises above all others:

Why hasn't evil taken over?

Corruption is visible. Darkness is active. Systems are unstable. The noise of the nations grows louder, and the waves of chaos seem to rise higher with every passing day. To the natural eye, it appears as though everything is moving toward total collapse.



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happened.

Evil has not overtaken everything.  
The world still stands.  
The field has not been consumed.

And that raises a deeper question:

👉 What is holding it back?

Scripture reveals that what you are witnessing is not unrestrained darkness—but restrained manifestation. There is a boundary that has not been crossed, a limit that has not been broken, and a government that is actively enforcing both.

This is not future.  
This is not theoretical.

👉 This is happening right now.

It is limited.  
It is governed.  
It is being held in place.

From the beginning, God has never allowed chaos to run without boundary. When the waters covered the deep, He gathered them. When the sea rose, He spoke to it. When the storm raged, Christ rebuked it. And even now, something is sustaining the world, holding it together, and preventing darkness from overtaking the whole field.

This book will take you on a journey through the full counsel of God—from Genesis to Revelation—to uncover what is restraining evil in the world right now. You will see that this restraint is not random, not fragile, and not temporary without purpose.

It is intentional.  
It is consistent.



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Once you see what is holding evil back, you will no longer interpret the world through fear or confusion. You will recognize the boundary. You will understand the timing. And you will see that what appears to be chaos is actually operating within limits that it cannot cross.

Because the truth is this:

Evil is not in control.

It is being restrained.

And once you see the restraint, you will never see the world the same way again.

## CHAPTER 1 — WHAT IS RESTRAINING EVIL IN THE WORLD RIGHT NOW?

### ? The Question

What is restraining evil in the world right now?

If darkness is real...

If corruption is active...

If chaos is increasing...

👉 Then why hasn't it taken over?

Why has evil not consumed everything?

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### 📖 The Answer



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restrained by the active government of God—through His Word, His authority, and the sustaining power of Christ—limiting chaos, shortening the age,

and preventing the full manifestation of darkness until the appointed time.

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## **GOD HAS ALWAYS GOVERNED WHAT HE ALLOWS**

### **Romans 13:1**

“There is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.”

This establishes a foundational truth:

☞ Nothing operates outside of divine authority

Even what appears chaotic...  
Even what appears rebellious...

☞ Exists within a **governed system**

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## **THE PATTERN YOU MUST SEE**

This is the first key to understanding restraint:

- ☞ Evil is not absent
- ☞ Evil is not imaginary
- ☞ Evil is not inactive

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It operates...  
but within boundaries

It moves...  
but under restriction

It presses...  
but cannot pass the line

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## **THE LIMIT IS NOT NATURAL — IT IS DIVINE**

The restraint is not coming from:

- human systems
- political stability
- social order

If those were removed...

☞ everything would collapse immediately

The restraint is coming from:

☞ **God Himself**

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## **THE TIMING IS CONTROLLED**

### **Ecclesiastes 3:1**

“To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.”

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This includes:

- the rise of systems
- the activity of evil
- the revealing of darkness

☞ All of it has a **time**

And until that time:

☞ it is restrained

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## 🔥 WHAT YOU ARE SEEING IN THE WORLD RIGHT NOW

You are not seeing:

☞ unrestrained evil

You are seeing:

☞ restrained chaos

☞ limited corruption

☞ governed instability

The waves are rising...  
but they are not crossing

The noise is increasing...  
but it is not prevailing



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s shaking...  
collapsing

## **DECLARATION**

Evil is not free.

Darkness is not sovereign.

Chaos is not in control.

-  It is being restrained.
-  It is being limited.
-  It is being governed.

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## **CALL TO ACTION**

Do not interpret the world through appearance alone.

Return to the Word.

See what God has revealed.

Recognize the restraint that is already in place.

Continue into the next chapter and discover:

 **Did God always put a limit on chaos from the very beginning?**

Because once you see the pattern...  
you will understand the present.

## **CHAPTER 2 — DID GOD ALWAYS PUT A LIMIT ON CHAOS FROM THE BEGINNING?**



## ? The Question

Did God always place a limit on chaos from the very beginning?

Or is restraint something that came later...  
after things began to fall apart?

If chaos exists...  
was it ever free?

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## 📖 The Answer

From the very beginning, God did not remove chaos—He limited it. He established boundaries, separated order from disorder, and governed creation by His Word so that chaos could exist, but never rule.

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## 📖 THE EARTH BEGAN IN CHAOS — BUT NOT IN CONTROL

### Genesis 1:1–2

“In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth.  
And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep...”

Before structure... there was disorder.  
Before clarity... there was confusion.  
Before separation... there was mixture.

But notice carefully:



- ☞ Chaos was present...
- ☞ but it was not in control

Why?

Because:

- ☞ God was already there

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## **THE SPIRIT WAS PRESENT OVER THE CHAOS**

### **Genesis 1:2**

"...and the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the waters."

Before anything was fixed...  
before anything was formed...

- ☞ God was already hovering over the chaos

This establishes the first principle:

- ☞ God does not react to chaos
- ☞ He governs it from within its presence

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## **GOD DID NOT REMOVE CHAOS — HE SPOKE INTO IT**

### **Genesis 1:3–4**

"And God said, Let there be light: and there was light... and God divided the light  
from darkness."



Notice what God did not do:

- He did not eliminate darkness immediately
- He did not destroy the deep
- He did not remove the void

☞ He **spoke**... and then **divided**

This is critical:

☞ Creation advances through separation

Light from darkness

Order from disorder

Purpose from confusion

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## THE WATERS WERE GATHERED — CHAOS WAS CONFINED

### Genesis 1:9–10

“And God said, Let the waters... be gathered together unto one place... and let the dry land appear...”

This is the defining moment:

☞ The waters were not removed

☞ They were **restricted**

The sea still existed.

The deep remained.



But now:

☞ It had a boundary

It was gathered.

It was contained.

It was no longer free.

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## GOD SET THE BOUNDARY BY HIS WORD

### Jeremiah 5:22

"...which have placed the sand for the bound of the sea by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it..."

This confirms the pattern:

☞ The boundary was not temporary

☞ It was not fragile

☞ It was a **perpetual decree**

That means:

☞ Chaos cannot break it

☞ The sea cannot cross it

☞ The limit cannot be overridden

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## THE PATTERN FROM THE BEGINNING

From Genesis, you see clearly:



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existed

• God entered it

- God spoke into it
- God separated it
- God limited it

👉 This is not reaction

👉 This is **design**

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## **THE LIMIT IS WHAT MAKES LIFE POSSIBLE**

When the waters were gathered:

👉 Dry land appeared

What was hidden under chaos  
became visible when chaos was restrained

This is the pattern:

- 👉 When chaos is unchecked → nothing stable appears
  - 👉 When chaos is limited → purpose is revealed
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## **THIS IS STILL HAPPENING TODAY**

What you are seeing in the world right now:

- instability
- confusion
- rising pressure

- ☞ It is the same “deep”
- ☞ the same “waters”
- ☞ the same pattern

And just like in the beginning:

- ☞ It is still being restrained
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## **DECLARATION**

Chaos was never in control.  
Darkness never governed the outcome.  
The deep was never free.

- ☞ God set the boundary from the beginning
  - ☞ And that boundary still stands
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## **CALL TO ACTION**

Go back to the beginning and see what God established.

Do not interpret the present without understanding the pattern.

Continue into the next chapter and discover:

- ☞ **Did God actually speak directly to chaos and command it to stop?**

Because what He spoke in the beginning  
is still governing everything now.

# CHAPTER 3 — DID GOD REALLY TELL THE SEA “NO FURTHER”?

## ? The Question

Did God actually speak to chaos and command it to stop?

Is the boundary something implied...  
or something **declared**?

If chaos rises like waves—  
who tells it where to end?

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## The Answer

God did not merely set a boundary—He **spoke** it. By His Word, He commanded chaos to stop at a fixed point, establishing a limit that it cannot cross and a decree it cannot overturn.

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## GOD SPEAKS DIRECTLY TO THE SEA

### Job 38:8–11

“Or who shut up the sea with doors, when it brake forth...  
And said, Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall thy proud waves  
be stayed?”

This is not poetic suggestion.

☞ This is direct speech.



God addresses the sea as something that **moves**, **rises**, and **presses**—and then He says:

☞ "You may come this far..."

☞ "No further..."

The boundary is not assumed.

☞ It is **commanded**.

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## **CHAOS HAS A NATURE — BUT NOT AUTHORITY**

"...thy proud waves..."

The sea is described as:

- rising
- forceful
- aggressive

It surges.

It presses.

It appears unstoppable.

But notice:

☞ It is "proud"—but it is not sovereign

This is the nature of chaos in every age:



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It **sounds** like control

But it does not have the authority it pretends to carry.

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## **THE LIMIT WAS SET BEFORE THE WAVES EVER ROSE**

“Hitherto shalt thou come...”

This is not reactive language.

☞ It is **pre-determined**

The line was drawn:

- before the surge
- before the pressure
- before the waves tested it

This reveals something critical:

- ☞ God is not reacting to chaos
  - ☞ He is governing it by prior decree
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## **THE SEA WAS “SHUT UP WITH DOORS”**

“Who shut up the sea with doors...”

This is powerful imagery:



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Like:

- a force behind a gate
- a surge behind a wall

Chaos is not loose.

☞ It is **contained**

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## **CREATION DOES NOT NEGOTIATE — IT OBEYS**

There is no argument here.

The sea does not:

- resist
- debate
- negotiate

☞ It stops where God said stop

This confirms what Genesis already showed:

- ☞ The authority of God is final
  - ☞ Chaos does not challenge it—it yields to it
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## **THE SAME VOICE STILL GOVERNS TODAY**

The voice that said:



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re be light"

- "Gather the waters"
- "Come no further"

👉 Has not changed

It is still:

- active
- governing
- enforcing the boundary

Nothing in creation has outgrown that command.

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## 🔥 **WHAT THIS MEANS FOR THE WORLD RIGHT NOW**

When you see:

- rising instability
- global pressure
- systems shaking

It can feel like the waves are overtaking the shore.

But this chapter reveals:

- 👉 They are not crossing the line
- 👉 They are reaching it—and stopping

Because the boundary is not human.



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## DECLARATION

The sea may rise—but it cannot rule.

The waves may surge—but they cannot reign.

Chaos may press—but it cannot pass the line God has spoken.

 "You may come this far... and no further."


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## CALL TO ACTION

Do not interpret the noise as authority.

Return to the Word that set the limit.

Continue into the next chapter and discover:

 **Are the nations and systems of the world like the sea—and do they follow the same pattern?**

Because what you see in the earth  
is not different from the sea—

 It is the same pattern, unfolding.

# CHAPTER 4 — ARE THE NATIONS AND SYSTEMS LIKE THE SEA IN SCRIPTURE?

## The Question

Are the nations and systems of the world like the sea in Scripture?



When the Bible speaks of waves, noise, and rising waters—  
is it only describing nature...

👉 or is it revealing something about humanity itself?

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## **The Answer**

Scripture reveals that the sea is not only natural—it is symbolic. The nations, peoples, and systems of the world are often described as waves of the sea: restless, rising, and noisy, yet still under the same divine restraint that limits chaos.

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## **THE SEA AND THE PEOPLE ARE CONNECTED**

### **Psalm 65:7**

“Which stilleth the noise of the seas, the noise of their waves, and the tumult of the people.”

This verse makes it unmistakable:

- 👉 The sea
- 👉 The waves
- 👉 The people

Are all linked together.

The same God who stills the waters

- 👉 stills the nations
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## **NATIONS RISE LIKE WAVES**

## Isaiah 17:12–13

“Woe to the multitude of many people, which make a noise like the noise of the seas...

The nations shall rush like the rushing of many waters: but God shall rebuke them...”

Here the comparison is direct:

- ☞ Nations = rushing waters
- ☞ People = waves
- ☞ Movements = noise

They surge.

They collide.

They appear overwhelming.

But notice the outcome:

- ☞ God rebukes them

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## WHAT LOOKS POWERFUL IS ACTUALLY LIMITED

To the natural eye:

- the waves look massive
- the noise sounds dominant
- the movement feels unstoppable

But Scripture reveals:

- ☞ It is **appearance**, not authority



The same way the sea looks like it can overtake the land...  
but never does...

☞ The nations rise—but they do not prevail

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## **THE MULTITUDE IS UNSTABLE BY NATURE**

### **Revelation 17:15**

“The waters which thou sawest... are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.”

Now the symbolism is fully revealed:

☞ Waters = humanity

This means:

- instability in the sea = instability in systems
- rising waves = rising movements
- noise of waters = noise of nations

The “sea” is not just out there in nature.

☞ It is the collective condition of the world.

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## **THEY GATHER — BUT THEY CANNOT HOLD TOGETHER**

Revelation 17:13



...they shall mingle themselves... but they shall not cleave one to another...”

This explains something critical:

- 👉 The systems of the world look united
- 👉 but they are internally divided

They attempt:

- unity
- structure
- stability

But:

- 👉 They cannot hold

Why?

- 👉 Because they are built on **mixture**

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## 🔥 WHY THE WORLD FEELS OUT OF CONTROL

Because what you are seeing is:

- 👉 the “sea” of humanity in motion
- voices rising
- systems clashing
- instability increasing

It feels overwhelming...



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... pulls back the curtain:

👉 It is still under restraint

The same God who said to the sea:

👉 "No further"

Is saying the same thing to the nations.

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## **GOD IS NOT MOVED BY THE NOISE**

### **Psalm 2:1–4**

"Why do the heathen rage...  
He that sitteth in the heavens shall laugh..."

This is not panic.

This is not reaction.

👉 This is position

God is not shaken by what shakes the world  
because He already knows:

👉 its limit

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## **THE PATTERN HAS NOT CHANGED**

From Genesis to now:



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ers were gathered

- The sea was bounded

- The waves were limited

Now:

- ☞ The nations rise
- ☞ The systems move
- ☞ The noise increases

But one truth remains:

- ☞ They cannot cross the line
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## **DECLARATION**

The nations may rage—but they cannot rule.

The systems may rise—but they cannot stand.

The waves may crash—but they cannot cross the boundary God has set.

- ☞ What is restrained in the sea
  - ☞ is restrained in the world
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## **CALL TO ACTION**

Do not be moved by the noise of the nations.

Look deeper.

See the pattern.

Recognize the restraint.

Continue into the next chapter and discover:



## 👉 Is this present world truly evil—and still under control at the same time?

Because once you understand the nature of the age,  
you will stop misreading what you see.

# CHAPTER 5 — IS THIS PRESENT WORLD EVIL AND STILL UNDER CONTROL?

## ? The Question

Is this present world truly evil...

👉 and still under control at the same time?

If darkness is active...

if corruption is visible...

if instability is real...

Then how can we say God is still governing?

Is it one or the other?

👉 Evil... or control?

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## 📖 The Answer

This present world is indeed an evil age—but it is not outside of God's control. Evil is active, yet limited; present, yet governed; real, yet restrained within a divine timeline and purpose.

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## SCRIPTURE DEFINES THE AGE CLEARLY

### Galatians 1:4

“Who gave himself for our sins, that he might deliver us from this present evil world...”

The Bible does not hide the condition:

☞ This is a **present evil age**

Not future.

Not theoretical.

☞ Present.

That means:

- corruption exists
  - darkness operates
  - instability is real
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## BUT EVIL DOES NOT MEAN UNGOVERNED

### Ecclesiastes 3:1

“To every thing there is a season, and a time to every purpose under the heaven.”

Even in an evil age:

☞ there is still **timing**



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Everything has:

- a season
- a limit
- a purpose

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## **GOD DECLARES THE END FROM THE BEGINNING**

### **Isaiah 46:9–10**

“I am God... declaring the end from the beginning... saying, My counsel shall stand...”

This reveals something critical:

- ☞ God is not discovering what is happening
- ☞ He has already determined the outcome

That means:

- ☞ Even this present evil age
- ☞ is operating inside His counsel

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## **THE ERROR OF THE NATURAL MIND**

The natural mind sees:

- corruption increasing
- systems weakening
- instability spreading



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les:

☞ “Things are out of control”

But that conclusion is false.

Why?

Because it judges by:

☞ appearance... not revelation



## THE AGE IS REAL — BUT IT IS LIMITED

This is the balance you must see:

☞ The age is evil

☞ but it is not sovereign

☞ Darkness is active

☞ but it is not ultimate

☞ Corruption is present

☞ but it is not in control



## EVEN EVIL OPERATES WITHIN DIVINE BOUNDARIES

### Job 1:12

“Behold, all that he hath is in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand.”



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trial:

👉 limits were set

The adversary could act...  
but only within:

👉 boundaries God defined

This pattern has never changed.

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## 🔥 WHY THE WORLD FEELS LIKE IT'S SPIRALING

Because the closer something gets to its limit...

👉 the more intense it appears

Just like the sea:

- waves grow stronger near the shore
- pressure increases at the boundary

But:

- 👉 it is not breaking free
  - 👉 it is revealing where the boundary is
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## 📖 GOD IS NOT WATCHING — HE IS GOVERNING

God is not:



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ing from a distance

to chaos

- trying to regain control

☞ He is actively governing the age

- setting limits
- maintaining restraint
- guiding it toward completion

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## 🔥 THIS IS NOT DECLINE — THIS IS PROGRESSION

The world says:

☞ “Everything is getting worse”

Scripture reveals:

☞ “Everything is moving toward fulfillment”

The difference is:

☞ perspective

Natural view → decline

Spiritual view → completion

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## 📣 DECLARATION

This age is evil—but it is not out of control.

Darkness is active—but it is not ruling.

Evil is present—but it is not sovereign.



- ☞ God is governing
  - ☞ God is limiting
  - ☞ God is bringing it to completion
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## ☞ CALL TO ACTION

Do not let the condition of the world define your understanding.

Return to the Word.

See the timing.

Recognize the limits.

Continue into the next chapter and discover:

☞ **What does it mean that the days are shortened—and how is time itself being restrained?**

Because the limit is not just space...

☞ It is time.

# CHAPTER 6 — WHAT DOES IT MEAN THAT THE DAYS ARE SHORTENED?

## ? The Question

What does it mean that the days are shortened?

Is this symbolic language...

or is God actually limiting time itself?



if chaos is restrained in space...

👉 is it also restrained in duration?

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## The Answer

The days are shortened by God to prevent total corruption and to preserve His purpose. Time itself is limited, compressed, and governed so that evil cannot fully consume the field before the appointed completion of His work.

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## JESUS DECLARES THE SHORTENING OF THE DAYS

### Matthew 24:22

“And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect’s sake those days shall be shortened.”

This is not figurative language.

👉 This is direct revelation

Jesus makes it clear:

- If time were left alone → total destruction
  - Because God intervenes → preservation remains
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## THE SAME TRUTH IS CONFIRMED AGAIN

### Mark 13:20

“And except that the Lord had shortened those days, no flesh should be saved...”



ted for emphasis:

- ☞ Without divine intervention
- ☞ the age would collapse into corruption

But God does not allow that.

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## **GOD FINISHES THE WORK — AND CUTS IT SHORT**

### **Romans 9:28**

“For he will finish the work, and cut it short in righteousness...”

Notice the language:

- ☞ “finish the work”
- ☞ “cut it short”

This is not delay.

- ☞ This is precision

God is not losing control of time.

- ☞ He is controlling it
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## **TIME ITSELF HAS A BOUNDARY**

Up to this point, you have seen:

- ☞ Chaos has a boundary (space)



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☞ Chaos has a limit (time)

It cannot:

- rise forever
- increase endlessly
- dominate indefinitely

Because:

☞ God has set a clock

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## **GOD DOES NOT LET THE AGE RUN ITS FULL COURSE**

If left alone:

- corruption would multiply
- systems would collapse
- flesh would be consumed

So God does something decisive:

☞ He **cuts the process short**

Not after destruction...

☞ but before it

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## **THIS IS MERCY — NOT JUST JUDGMENT**



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...ct's sake..."

The shortening of the days is not random.

☞ It is purposeful

God is:

- preserving a people
- protecting His purpose
- ensuring completion

The boundary of time exists:

☞ to safeguard what God is bringing forth

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## 🔥 WHY THE MOMENT FEELS MORE INTENSE

Because the closer something gets to its limit:

☞ the more pressure you feel

- the waves rise higher
- the noise increases
- instability becomes visible

But this does not mean:

☞ it is escaping the boundary

It means:



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## GOD COMPRESSES WHAT HE COMPLETES

God does not:

- rush prematurely
- delay unnecessarily

But when the moment comes:

☞ He accelerates the outcome

What took time to prepare...

☞ can manifest suddenly



## THIS IS NOT A RUNAWAY AGE

The world appears to be:

- spiraling
- increasing in chaos
- losing stability

But Scripture reveals:

☞ it is being **brought to its end on time**

Not late.

Not early.






Exactly as determined



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## DECLARATION

Time is not out of control.  
The age is not endless.  
Chaos is not increasing forever.

-  The days are shortened
-  The work is being finished
-  And God will complete it on time

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## CALL TO ACTION

Do not fear the intensity of the moment.


Recognize what it means.

Return to the Word.  
See the timing.  
Understand the limit.

Continue into the next chapter and discover:

 **Did Jesus demonstrate authority over chaos—and what does that reveal about the restrainer?**

Because what limits the age...

 is not just time—

 it is a Person.

# CHAPTER 7 — DID JESUS DEMONSTRATE AUTHORITY OVER CHAOS?

## ? The Question

Did Jesus actually demonstrate authority over chaos?

Was His power symbolic...  
or did He literally command disorder to stop?

If evil and chaos are being restrained...

👉 did Christ reveal how that restraint operates?

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## 📖 The Answer

Jesus did not merely teach about authority—He demonstrated it. By His Word, He commanded chaos to cease, revealing that the same divine authority that set the boundary in the beginning is actively enforcing it through Him.

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## 📖 CHRIST SPEAKS — AND CHAOS STOPS

### Mark 4:39

“And he arose, and rebuked the wind, and said unto the sea, Peace, be still. And the wind ceased, and there was a great calm.”

There is no struggle here.

No process.



NO RESISTANCE.

- 👉 One command
- 👉 Immediate obedience

The storm did not negotiate.

- 👉 It stopped

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## 📖 THE DISCIPLES FEARED THE STORM — BUT THE STORM FEARED HIM

### Mark 4:41

“What manner of man is this, that even the wind and the sea obey him?”

Men feared the storm.

- 👉 But the storm obeyed Christ

This reveals something profound:

- 👉 What terrifies man
- 👉 is subject to Him

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## 📖 THE SAME AUTHORITY IS CONFIRMED AGAIN

### Luke 8:24–25

“...he rebuked the wind and the raging of the water: and they ceased, and there was a calm.”

- chaos rises
- Christ speaks
- chaos stops

Not gradually...

👉 Immediately

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## **EVEN THE STORM RESPONDS TO HIS VOICE**

### **Matthew 8:26–27**

“...Then he arose, and rebuked the winds and the sea; and there was a great calm.”

The repetition across the Gospels is intentional.

👉 This is not a one-time event

👉 This is a pattern

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## **THIS IS GENESIS IN MOTION**

What you are seeing in Christ is not new.

It is the same pattern from the beginning:

- God spoke → light appeared
- God spoke → waters gathered
- God spoke → boundary set

☞ Christ speaks → chaos stops

The voice is the same.

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## **CHRIST DOES NOT MANAGE CHAOS — HE ENDS IT**

Notice what Jesus never does:

- He does not analyze the storm
- He does not attempt to manage it
- He does not negotiate with it

☞ He rebukes it

☞ He commands it

☞ He ends it

This is authority—not effort.

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## **DARKNESS RECOGNIZES WHAT MAN QUESTIONS**

### **Luke 4:41**

“And devils also came out... crying out, Thou art Christ the Son of God...”

Darkness responds instantly.

☞ It recognizes authority



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need explanation.

It does not require persuasion.

👉 It yields

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## 🔥 THE BOUNDARY IS NOW A PERSON

Up to this point, you have seen:

- the boundary set
- the boundary declared
- the boundary holding

Now something shifts:

👉 The boundary is not just spoken

👉 It is **standing in a man**

Christ is:

- the voice of the boundary
  - the authority of the boundary
  - the enforcement of the boundary
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## 📖 THIS IS WHY CHAOS CANNOT OVERTAKE THE EARTH

Because:

- 👉 The One who said "No further"
- 👉 is present within creation

is everything:



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- why evil has not taken over
- why chaos has not consumed the field
- why the world still stands

☞ It is not just restrained

☞ It is restrained by **Him**

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## **WHAT THIS MEANS RIGHT NOW**

The world may look:

- unstable
- shaken
- pressured

But the truth is:

☞ It is still under the authority of Christ

The same voice that silenced the storm:

☞ is still governing the age

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## **DECLARATION**

The storm may rise—but it cannot rule.

The sea may rage—but it cannot reign.

Darkness may move—but it cannot stand.

- ☞ Because Christ is present
- ☞ Christ is authority
- ☞ And Christ is the boundary where chaos stops

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## ☞ CALL TO ACTION

Do not fear what obeys Him.

Fix your eyes on the One who commands the storm.

Continue into the next chapter and discover:

☞ **What is holding the world together right now—and why everything has not collapsed?**

Because what restrains chaos...

☞ is also sustaining everything within the boundary.

# CHAPTER 8 — WHAT IS HOLDING THE WORLD TOGETHER RIGHT NOW?

## ? The Question

What is holding the world together right now?

If systems are unstable...

if nations are divided...

if chaos is pressing from every side...



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't everything fallen apart?

What is actually keeping the world from collapsing?

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## **The Answer**

The world is being actively sustained by Christ. By His Word and power, He is holding all things together, maintaining the boundary, and preventing total collapse until His purpose is fully revealed.




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## **CHRIST IS THE ONE HOLDING ALL THINGS TOGETHER**

### **Colossians 1:17**

“And he is before all things, and by him all things consist.”

The word “consist” means:

-  held together
-  sustained
-  kept from falling apart

This is not passive.

-  This is active, continuous, divine power

The world is not stable because of itself.

-  It is stable because it is being held.
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 **EVERYTHING IS BEING UPHELD BY HIS WORD**

## Hebrews 1:3

“...upholding all things by the word of his power...”

This reveals something deeper:

- ☞ Creation is not self-sustaining
- ☞ Reality is not independent

Every moment the world continues:

- ☞ it is being carried by His Word

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## IN HIM ALL LIFE CONTINUES

### Acts 17:28

“For in him we live, and move, and have our being...”

This means:

- existence itself depends on Him
- movement depends on Him
- life depends on Him

Without Him:

- ☞ nothing continues

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## THIS IS WHY THE WORLD HAS NOT COLLAPSED



condition of the world:

- systems are fragile
- truth is contested
- stability is temporary

Nothing about this age suggests it can sustain itself.

And yet...

☞ it still stands

Why?

☞ Because Christ is holding it together

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## **WITHOUT HIM — EVERYTHING WOULD FAIL IMMEDIATELY**

If Christ removed His sustaining power:

- systems would collapse instantly
- order would dissolve
- chaos would consume everything

There would be no gradual decline.

☞ It would be immediate

The fact that this has not happened proves:

☞ He is actively sustaining it





## RESTRAINT AND SUSTAINING WORK TOGETHER

Now you see something critical:

- ☞ Chaos is being restrained
- ☞ Creation is being sustained

At the same time

This explains everything:

- why evil exists
- why it rises
- why it does not win



## THE NATURAL MIND MISREADS THIS

People say:

- “Things are holding together”
- “We’re managing”
- “Systems are working”

But Scripture reveals:

- ☞ This is not stability
- ☞ This is **sustained existence**

The difference is everything.



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## THE SAME VOICE IS STILL SPEAKING

The voice that said:

- "Let there be light"
- "Gather the waters"
- "Peace, be still"

☞ is still speaking

Not always audibly...

☞ but continually

That Word is:

- holding
- governing
- sustaining



## THE PURPOSE OF SUSTAINING

God is not holding the world together forever.

He is sustaining it:

- until the appointed time
- until the work is finished
- until the transition comes

☞ Sustaining is not the end





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☞ It is preparation for fulfillment

## DECLARATION

The world is not holding itself together.  
It is being held together.

Chaos has not been removed...  
but it has been restrained and sustained.

-  Because Christ is before all things
-  and by Him all things consist


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## CALL TO ACTION

Stop giving credit to systems that cannot sustain themselves.

Lift your eyes to the One who is upholding all things.

Continue into the next chapter and discover:

 **Who or what is the restrainer today—and how is that restraint actively working right now?**

Because what holds everything together...

 is also what holds everything back.

### CHAPTER 9 — WHO OR WHAT IS THE RESTRAINER TODAY?

#### The Question



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What—**is** restraining evil right now?

Is it:

- the Holy Spirit?
- the Church?
- human government?
- divine decree?

Or is the answer deeper than any single explanation?

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## The Answer

The restrainer is the active government of God expressed through Christ—by His Spirit, through His Word, and in His sustaining presence. It is not one isolated force, but the unified operation of divine authority limiting evil until the appointed time.

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## THE SCRIPTURE REVEALS A DIVINE LIMIT

Job 38:11

“Hitherto shalt thou come, but no further: and here shall thy proud waves be stayed.”

This is not symbolic language.

👉 This is a direct decree.



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Beginning, God did not remove chaos—  
He limited it.

He spoke to it.  
He defined it.  
He set its boundary.

☞ "You may come this far... and no further."

This establishes the foundation you must see:

- ☞ Chaos is real
- ☞ Darkness is active
- ☞ Evil is present

But...

☞ It is not free

It does not determine its own reach.  
It does not decide its own outcome.  
It does not control its own expansion.

☞ God does.

## 📖 THE PATTERN FROM THE BEGINNING

Genesis 1:9–10

"And God said, Let the waters... be gathered together unto one place... and let the dry land appear..."

The waters were not removed.

☞ They were restricted.



Jeremiah 5:22

"...which have placed the sand for the bound of the sea by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it..."

This confirms it:

☞ The boundary is not temporary

☞ The limit is not fragile

☞ It is a perpetual decree

That means:

☞ Chaos cannot cross it

☞ The waves cannot break it

☞ The boundary cannot be overturned

🔥 WHAT THIS MEANS RIGHT NOW

What you are seeing in the world today is not unrestrained evil.

☞ It is restrained manifestation

The waves are rising...  
but they are not crossing

The pressure is increasing...  
but it is not prevailing

The system is shaking...  
but it is not collapsing



👉 Because God has already spoken the limit

## 📣 DECLARATION

Evil is not in control.

Darkness is not sovereign.

Chaos is not free.

- 👉 It is being limited
- 👉 It is being governed
- 👉 It is being held in place by the Word of God
  
- 👉 "Hitherto shalt thou come... and no further."

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## 📖 THE RESTRAINER OPERATES UNTIL AN APPOINTED TIME

This means:

- 👉 The restraint is not permanent
- 👉 It is purposeful

It exists:

- to limit evil
- to preserve the field
- to ensure the appointed timing



## THE SPIRIT OF GOD WORKS AS RESTRAINT

### John 16:7–8

“...when he is come, he will reprove the world of sin, and of righteousness, and of judgment...”

The Spirit does not just comfort.

- ☞ He confronts
- ☞ He restrains
- ☞ He exposes

He limits the full expression of darkness by:

- convicting
- revealing
- opposing



## CHRIST'S PRESENCE IS GREATER THAN DARKNESS

### 1 John 4:4

“...greater is he that is in you, than he that is in the world.”

This is not symbolic.

- ☞ This is authority

The presence of Christ:

- limits the power of darkness
- enforces the boundary



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is full manifestation

## ALL AUTHORITY ORIGINATES FROM GOD

### Romans 13:1

“There is no power but of God...”

Even authority structures in the earth:

☞ exist within divine permission

Nothing operates independently.

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## THE RESTRAINER IS NOT ONE DIMENSIONAL

This is where many go wrong.

They try to reduce the restrainer to:

☞ one single thing

But Scripture shows:

☞ it is a **multi-layered operation**

- God’s decree
- Christ’s authority
- the Spirit’s activity
- the sustaining Word

All working together as:



☞ one unified government

## THE SAME PATTERN FROM THE BEGINNING

Look at what you've already seen:

- Genesis → God set the boundary
- Job → God declared the boundary
- Gospels → Christ enforced the boundary
- Now → that same authority continues

☞ The restrainer has always been:

☞ God Himself

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## WHY EVIL CANNOT FULLY MANIFEST YET

Because:

☞ it is not its time

No matter how much it:

- rises
- presses
- appears to increase

☞ it cannot cross the line

Until:



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vs the next phase

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## THE RESTRAINER IS ACTIVE RIGHT NOW

Right now:

- chaos is being limited
- darkness is being held back
- the world is being sustained

Not by chance.

Not by human strength.

👉 By divine government

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## DECLARATION

The restrainer is not weak.

The restrainer is not absent.

The restrainer is not losing control.

- 👉 The restrainer is God
  - 👉 The restrainer is Christ
  - 👉 The restrainer is active now
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## CALL TO ACTION

Do not reduce what God has revealed to a single idea.

See the fullness of His government.



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that is actively holding evil back.

Continue into the final chapter and discover:

👉 **Will there be a time when restraint is no longer needed—and what happens then?**

Because restraint is not the end...

👉 it is the bridge to fulfillment.

## **CHAPTER 10 — WILL THERE BE A TIME WHEN EVIL IS NO LONGER RESTRAINED?**

### **? The Question**

Will there be a time when evil is no longer restrained?

Will the restraint simply be lifted...  
and chaos take over?

Or is something else waiting at the end of the age?

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### **📖 The Answer**

There will come a time when restraint is no longer needed—not because evil takes over, but because evil is removed. The boundary that once limited chaos gives way to the fullness of God’s order, where instability is no more and all things are brought into completion.

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**THE END IS NOT RESTRAINT — IT IS**



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**FORMATION**

## 1 Corinthians 15:24–26

“Then cometh the end... when he shall have put down all rule and all authority and power...

The last enemy that shall be destroyed is death.”

This reveals the trajectory:

☞ Not endless restraint

☞ Not eternal conflict

### ☞ **Completion**

Everything that opposes God’s order:

☞ is brought down

☞ is removed

☞ is ended



## **DEATH ITSELF IS ELIMINATED**

### 1 Corinthians 15:54

“Death is swallowed up in victory.”

The final enemy is not restrained.

☞ It is consumed

This shows clearly:



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n is not containment forever  
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## THE SEA — SYMBOL OF CHAOS — IS REMOVED

### Revelation 21:1

“And I saw a new heaven and a new earth... and there was no more sea.”

This is the completion of everything you’ve seen.

From the beginning:

- the waters were gathered
- the sea was bounded
- chaos was restrained

Now:

☞ it is no more

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## WHAT WAS LIMITED IS NOW GONE

The “sea” represented:

- instability
- unrest
- separation
- chaos

And now:

☞ it does not exist



There is no need for a boundary  
when there is nothing left to restrain

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## **THIS IS THE COMPLETION OF THE PATTERN**

Trace it:

- Genesis → chaos limited
- Job → boundary declared
- Prophets → chaos revealed
- Gospels → chaos rebuked
- Epistles → chaos sustained under limit
- Revelation → chaos removed

👉 The pattern is complete

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## **THE KINGDOM IS FULLY ESTABLISHED**

### **Revelation 11:15**

“The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ...”

This is not partial control.

👉 This is full establishment

No mixture

No instability

No competing authority

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# THE WORLD DOES NOT COLLAPSE — IT IS FULFILLED

The natural mind expects:

- destruction
- collapse
- total breakdown

But Scripture reveals:

 fulfillment

God did not sustain the world  
so it could fall apart

 He sustained it

 to bring it to completion

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## GOD BECOMES ALL IN ALL

### 1 Corinthians 15:28

"...that God may be all in all."

This is the final state:

 no opposition

 no mixture

 no restraint needed

Because:



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g is aligned

## **WHAT HAPPENS WHEN RESTRAINT IS NO LONGER NEEDED**

Not chaos unleashed...

☞ but chaos removed

Not darkness expanding...

☞ but darkness gone

Not instability increasing...

☞ but order established

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## **DECLARATION**

Evil will not win.

Chaos will not overtake the field.

Darkness will not reign forever.

☞ What is restrained will be removed

☞ What is limited will be ended

☞ What God began will be completed

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## **CALL TO ACTION**

See the end from the beginning.



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Understanding the pattern.

Do not fear what is already limited.

Stand in the truth that:

- ☞ the restraint is temporary
- ☞ the completion is certain

And what God has governed, sustained, and prepared—

- ☞ He will bring to fullness.

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