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## What Kind of Christian Are You? Part IV

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We are living in perilous times. Our cities, communities and environment are dangerous, unsafe, risky, unhealthy, hazardous, and grave. Death is everywhere, murder is common in society, and we are used to living in this type of atmosphere. The pandemic has affected the world and has changed economics on a global level. Biblical prophecy in Matthew 24:7-8 was spoken by our Lord Jesus Christ that these days will come before us and although we are living in perilous times, my focus is on the church.

In 1 Timothy 4:1 it is revealed as a last day sign that apostasy and hypocrisy will be strong in the church. There will be Christians departing from the faith giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons. Deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons have changed the culture of worship, preaching, fellowship and how one is converted to become endowed with the Holy Spirit. Today in church, many young people we call Millennials and Generation Z follow charisma in young pastors. Their worship before God is like worldly rock concerts full of the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life. The churches are dark with smoke and ultraviolet lights while musicians wear hats, t-shirts, jeans with holes, sneakers, gym clothes, hip-hop attire, and hoodies as they play their music and dance before a holy God. Young men and women wear tight and revealing clothes just like sinners in the world. The mentality in the church today for most young people is to stay away from sanctification.

Holiness before a holy God is not preached to millennials from worldly charismatic ministers. This is why in 1 Peter 4:17 God says judgement must first start at the house of God. When Jesus comes back for the church, His saints will be without a spot, wrinkle, or a blemish. After the rapture of the church the seals will be opened, and the judgement of God will come upon the world. What kind of Christian are you?

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