

5 Signs You're Falling Into End-Times Deception and Don't Even Know It

Revivalist Isaiah Saldivar is urging Christians to open their eyes to the widespread spiritual falling away that was prophesied in Scripture. During a recent livestream teaching from 1 Timothy 3–4, Saldivar walked viewers through the signs of the coming apostasy, and explained why he believes it's already begun.

Quoting 1 Timothy 4:1, "The Spirit expressly says that in latter times some will depart from the faith," Saldivar explained that this is not a warning for a far-off future. "We're in the latter times right now," he said. "We're seeing people turn from God. We're seeing deception take root in the church."

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According to Saldivar, the apostasy is marked by a willingness to embrace demonic teachings dressed up in spiritual language. "There are doctrines of demons spreading in churches today. Not every supernatural thing is from God," he warned. "Many are departing from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits."

5 Signs Someone Is Vulnerable to Apostasy

Saldivar outlined five key traits commonly found in people who are most likely to fall away from biblical truth:

1. Emotion-Led Spirituality

Christians who base their faith primarily on emotions or

spiritual experiences rather than Scripture are easy targets for deception. Constantly seeking emotional highs or mystical encounters leaves them unstable when truth challenges their feelings.

2. Overdependence on Church Leaders

When believers place more trust in charismatic personalities than in God's Word, they lose discernment. Saldivar emphasized that while spiritual leaders can help guide, they are not a substitute for a personal walk with Christ.

3. Undiscerning Acceptance of Supernatural Events

Many people assume any miracle, prophecy, or word of knowledge is from the Holy Spirit. Saldivar warned that Satan can also produce signs and wonders to imitate God's power and deceive the naive.

4. Rejection of Suffering and Persecution

The modern desire for a comfortable Christianity is incompatible with the gospel. Saldivar explained that a refusal to endure hardship leads many to accept false teachings that promise ease and prosperity at the cost of truth.

5. Lack of Biblical Understanding

Without a solid grounding in Scripture, believers have no defense against manipulation. Saldivar said biblical illiteracy has become one of the most dangerous open doors to spiritual deception in the church today.

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A Present-Day Example of Apostasy

Saldivar pointed to real instances of cult-like behavior emerging in the church as evidence of the apostasy described by Paul. One involved people legally changing their last names to match a well-known spiritual leader's and calling him

"Papa."

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"That's apostasy," Saldivar said. "That's cult behavior. That's giving heed to doctrines of demons."

A Call to Integrity and Sound Doctrine

Saldivar didn't stop with warnings, he also laid out a biblical roadmap to safeguard faith. He urged viewers to prioritize spiritual discipline, submit to the authority of Scripture, and pursue godliness with intentionality.

"You don't drift into holiness," he said. "Godliness takes effort. You have to exercise yourself toward it."

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He continued by emphasizing Paul's charge to Timothy: "Take heed to yourself and to the doctrine. Continue in them, for in doing this you will save both yourself and those who hear you."

The call is clearly urgent: we live in a world where apostasy deception is growing, and the church must remain rooted and committed to truth.

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