

IT IS THE LAST HOUR...

Hour = any definite time, point of time, moment

And he cometh the third time, and saith unto them, Sleep on now, and take your rest: it is enough; the **hour** is come; behold, the Son of man is betrayed into the hands of sinners. (Mk 14:41)

For the Holy Ghost shall teach you in the same hour what you ought to say (Lk 12:12)

the master of that servant will come on a day when he does not expect him and at an hour he does not know, and will cut him in pieces and put him with the unfaithful. (Lk 12:46)

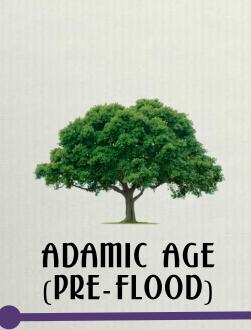
And he sent forth his servant at **supper time** to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready. (Lk 14:17)

Jesus says unto her, "Woman, what have I to do with thee? Mine hour has not yet come." (Jhn 2:4)

And this, knowing the season, that already it is **time** for you to awake out of sleep: for now is salvation nearer to us than when we *first* believed. (Rom 13:11)

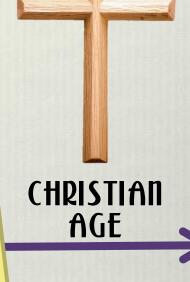
'HOUR' can be a literal hour, a moment in time, a regular season, or even an entire age.

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Since we are in the **CHRIST-**ian age, it shouldn't be surprising that there are people opposed to Christ and denying He came.

YOU HAVE AN ANOINTING

That believers have "an anointing from the Holy One" indicates that this anointing renders them holy, separating them to God. The passage teaches that the gift of the Holy Spirit is the all-efficient means of enabling believers to possess a knowledge of the truth. In the Sept., it is used of the oil for "anointing" the high priest, e.g., Ex. 29:7;30:25, etc. (VINE'S)

Anointing was how **priests** were inaugurated (Ex 40:13,15)

Anointing was how **kings** were inaugurated (1 Sam 9:16; 10:1)

Anointing was how some **prophets** were inaugurated (1 Kgs 19:16)

Anointing was often associated with receiving gifts from the Holy Spirit (Acts 10:38, 2 Cor 1:21)

In this case, the anointing John is talking about is the gifts of the Holy Spirit that the early Christians received through the apostles' hands (Acts 8:18)

YOU HAVE AN ANOINTING

THE FATHER

SENT

THE SON

SENT

THE HOLY SPIRIT

ANOINTED

APOSTLES AND PROPHETS

Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever receives the one I send receives Me, and whoever receives Me receives the one who sent Me. (Jhn 13:20)

"the one who denies the Father <u>and</u> the Son" (vs. 22)

"if what you heard from the beginning abides in you, you also will <u>abide</u> in the Son <u>and</u> in the Father" (vs. 24)

Not only do you abide in Christ, but you are a child of God!

John is teaching one thing – if you have God's Word, you don't need any other.

WHY SHOULDN'T CHRISTIANS SIN?

- 1.Because children emulate their parents. (vs 1-2)
- 2.Because of our hope of heaven. (vs 2-3 see also Php 3:21)
- 3. Because habitual sin is a life of rebellion. (vs 4)
- 4. Because Jesus died to remove sins. (vs 5)
- 5. Because habitual sin blinds us to Christ. (vs 6-8)
- 6.Because the goal of knowledge is to plant a seed that will grow. (vs 9)
- 7.Because our character is built around our Father and **forbids** us from such behavior. (vs 9)