

## **Facing Reality**

In writing to those of Thessalonica the apostle Paul spoke concerning the mystery of lawlessness and ultimately revealed the cause of those who perish, saying, “with all deceit of unrighteousness for them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God sendeth them a working of error, that they should believe a lie: that they all might be judged who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness” (2 Thess. 2:10-12).

Similar to what Paul said to those of Rome: “Know ye not, that to whom ye present yourselves as servants unto obedience, his servants ye are whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?” (Romans 6:16). ret