

**Why does evil continue?**  
**2 Thessalonians 2:9-12**

**Reason 1**

The lawless one (evil embodied) receives \_\_\_\_\_ from Satan

The lawless one deceives those who are \_\_\_\_\_

Because they (the perishing) \_\_\_\_\_ to love the truth and be saved they are led into the deceptive traps of evil

**The first reason evil continues and increases until Christ returns is because much of humanity refuses to \_\_\_\_\_ the gospel**

**Reason 2**

Since humanity refuses to love the truth and be saved, God gives them over to their \_\_\_\_\_

Divine \_\_\_\_\_ is seen in the present through the hardening of the wicked

**The second reason evil continues and increases until Christ returns is because of the \_\_\_\_\_ of God**