When the going gets tough,

the tough keep going.

As spiritual war intensifies and even breaks into the physical realm, the role of God’s people is to continue in faith and persevere to the very end.

1. The War between good and evil erupts on the physical plane
	1. The beast emerges
		1. He rises from the sea
		2. Characteristics of the Antichrist
			1. Ten horns
			2. Seven heads
			3. Ten diadems
			4. Body of a leopard
			5. Feet of a bear
			6. Mouth of a lion
	2. Actions of the beast
		1. The best receives the dragon’s power, throne, and authority (John 12:31, 2 Cor. 4:4, 1 John 5:19)
		2. It deceives the inhabitants of the earth through supernatural signs and receives worship from them (Exodus 15:11, Isaiah 44:7)
		3. It utters blasphemy
		4. It seems to be victorious in its war against God’s people
	3. The marching orders of the saints
		1. Do not attempt to avoid the trouble
		2. Instead perceive in faith (1 Peter 4:19)