

# Lesson 17

## Time Line Prophecies

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### Last Chance, 70 years for Israel

The first several verses of Chapter 9 is Daniel asking God for forgiveness of the sins of the nation of Israel, and his request that God give his people one more chance, as well as to remind God of his promise to bring the people back to Jerusalem after the Seventy Years as promised in the Book of Jeremiah. I find Daniel's prayer to God moving, and important to the reason why the children of Israel lost their covenant with God, and why God allowed being destroyed both the first and the second temples. It is for this reason I include Daniels prayer in these lessons.

### Book of Jeremiah

*In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans; In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah the prophet that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. **Daniel 9:1-2***

Evidently, Daniel had access to the writings of Jeremiah, and learned of God's warnings leading up to the destruction of the temple and the city of Jerusalem, and that God would pour out his anger for 70 years against the children of Jacob.

### Daniel Understood the Babylonian Empire

*And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years. **Jeremiah 25:11***

The words, "and these nations," refers not just to the nation of Israel, but also to all the nations that were in that area including Egypt.

## 70 Years, NOT Days

You should understand that only in “End Time Prophecy” when a day is mentioned, or a phrase that depicts a time period measured in days, does the one day for one year application occur. In this verse, which is in reference to a prophecy of Jeremiah, God uses the words Seventy Years; and it is a prophecy concerning the period that the nation of Israel, shall know God’s wrath and not an “End Time Prophecy.” It is therefore a literal seventy years, not prophetic. It should also be noted that this 70 year prophecy comes before the one day one year meaning as it is established in the Book of Ezekiel, which further gives support to the fact that this is not subject to the one day one year calculation.

## Daniel Prays to God

*And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes: And I prayed unto the Lord my God, and made my confession, and said, “O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments.”* **Daniel 9:3-4**

## Mercy to them that love him

Even Daniel knew that the correct worship of God requires the keeping of the Ten Commandments, it is a shame to me that those who call themselves Christian today tend to believe Satan’s lie, that the Ten Commandments are fulfilled to the point of rendering them obsolete by Christ when he was nailed to the cross, which of course is a lie. I personally consider it Satan’s Greatest Lie, because there is nothing in Scripture that gives support to it, yet the whole world accepts this lie as God’s truth. So successful has Satan been at deceiving Man.

## Them that keep his commandments

This verse is then another example where God tells us to Love him, then gives us definition of how to manifest that love, which is to keep his commandments.

## Israel Has Sinned

*We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments:* **Daniel 9:5**

*We have sinned, and have committed iniquity*, Daniel is admitting to the sins of the People of Israel, and his taking upon himself the prayer to God, asking that God forgive his people.

## By Departing from thy precepts and thy judgments

The word “Precept” is defined as: teachings, instructions, or laws. The word “Precepts” is also defined as: a rule, instruction, or principle that guides somebody’ s actions, especially one that guides moral behavior, which of course is another way of saying, “God’s Ten Commandments.”

The word “Judgment” is defined as: rulings, verdict, and decrees.

What Daniel is saying, is that he understands why God is punishing the nation of Israel, it is because the people have stopped keeping Gods Laws, the Ten Commandments. Don’t you the reader consider it correct that if God will punish his chosen people, the sons of Jacob, for failure to keep his Commandments, which he would also punish the Gentiles who call themselves Christian but fail to keep those same commandments? For a Christian to think himself above the Commandments of God is nothing short of idiocy, created by Satan’s Lies.

## Ignored the Prophets of God

*Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land. Daniel 9:6*

*O Lord, righteousness belongeth unto thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, that are near, and that are far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against thee.*

**Daniel 9:7**

Again, Daniel shows recognition that the people trespassed or failed to keep God’s laws, the Ten Commandments and that it is for that reason that God is punishing them.

## A Nation’s Sins

*O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee. To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgiveness’s, though we have rebelled*

against him; Neither have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets. **Daniel 9:8-10**

Did you catch that? Daniel is telling us that it was because of the sins of the nation of Israel that God caused the nation of Israel to be destroyed. Do you know what constitutes a sin?

Moses is considered a prophet of God, and it is by him that God set before the children of Israel his laws, and by the other prophets did God give warning that if they did not return to obeying Gods laws, they would lose their covenant with God.

If you had any doubts before as to what constitutes a sin, this verse should have made that clear. When you rebel or are in disobedience to the Word of God, then you are in sin. If you keep the first day Sabbath, rather than the seventh day Sabbath, as God spells out in the Fourth Commandment, then you are in rebellion and disobedience to the Word of God, and are in sin.

## All Israel Transgressed

*Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that is written in the Law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him. **Daniel 9:11***

## A Witness Against Israel

That oath which Daniel is referring to is from the laws of Moses, and has to do with a warning that God and Moses gave to the people of Israel as they were about to cross over the Jordan River and enter the promised land. You can read this warning in:

*When thou shalt beget children, and children's children, and ye shall have remained long in the land, and shall corrupt yourselves, and make graven image or the likeness of anything, and shall do evil in the sight of the Lord thy God, to provoke him to anger: **Deuteronomy 4:25***

*I call heaven and earth to witness against you this day that ye shall soon utterly perish from off the land whereunto ye go over Jordan to possess it; ye shall not prolong your days upon it, but shall utterly be destroyed. **Deuteronomy 4:26***

If you wish to continue reading this warning, it will help you to understand why God is providing these prophecies of Daniel, as well as Jeremiah and Ezekiel. God foresaw that the children of Israel would falter in

their faith and in their obedience to God's laws hundreds of years earlier, even before they originally entered the Promised Land and established the Nation of Israel.

## A Prophecy Fulfilled

*And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem. **Daniel 9:12***

Daniel is confirming in this verse that he realizes that the warnings of God and Moses were well founded for the children of Israel did in deed fall from God's grace, and break his commandments, and lost their faith and in so doing, brought God's punishment upon them as God had foretold that he would.

## Our Father in Heaven

*As it is written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our prayer before the Lord our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth. **Daniel 9:13***

As do our fathers of flesh reprimand and give punishment when we are disobedient, so too does our Father in Heaven chastise and punish when we are disobedient to his Word and his Law. Mankind is the Children of God, just as you as a parent punish your child when he or she breaks your rules, so too has God punished his children for breaking his rules.

## God is Righteous

*Therefore hath the Lord watched upon the evil, and brought it upon us: for the Lord our God is righteous in all his works which he doeth: for we obeyed not his voice. **Daniel 9:14***

In this verse, Daniel is agreeing with God that his treatment of Jerusalem and the Nation of Israel, was just and not unfair, and could have been avoidable, if the people had simply held their faith, and continued to keep God's Commandments. Daniel is showing that he accepts that God is the Almighty, and that Man must give obedience to him.

**Take Note:** At the Time of Daniel, the people of the nation of Israel are on the verge of losing their covenant with God. Why, because they stopped keeping the laws of God, which are the Ten Commandments. If God would take his covenant away from his chosen people, for not keeping his commandments, then why do

you think God would show favor on those who call themselves Christian, when they do not keep his commandments, all ten of them? Do you think you are somehow more important to God than his chosen people? To worship God, you must do so as he commands, (by his pleasure not yours), or you do not worship him at all.

Not keeping his Ten Commandments, puts you in opposition to God's will, therefore any worship, that does not include the keeping of his commandments, is not a worship of the God of Creation, but a worship of the False God, who has lied and deceived you into thinking that the Ten Commandments are no longer a necessary part of the worship of the true God.

## A Plea for Mercy

*And now, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast gotten thee renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly. O Lord, according to all thy righteousness, I beseech thee, let thine anger and thy fury be turned away from thy city Jerusalem, thy holy mountain: because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people are become a reproach to all that are about us. Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake. O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by thy name: for we do not present our supplications before thee for our righteousness's, but for thy great mercies.*

### **Daniel 9:15-18**

Daniel is showing us that he is aware that the people of Israel do not deserve any favors of God because of their righteousness, for they have none; however he is beseeching God that he should extend his mercy because God is merciful, even to sinners that repent their sins.

## Called by thy Name

*O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake, O my God: for thy city and thy people are called by thy name. **Daniel 9:19***

I don't know about you, but I can see Daniel, on his knees, lamenting the sins of his fathers, and beseeching God to forgive them, not for their sakes but for God's own sake.

## Thy City and thy People

What then is the name of God if the people and the city are called by the name of God? The City is called Jerusalem and the people are called, Jews, or the Children of Israel, therefore how do these names translate to that of the name of God, which Jesus tells us is Jehovah?

## What is the Name of God?

To understand this, you need to fully understand what the name of God is, and as I showed you in earlier lessons, the name of God relates to the personality, honor, and moral character of God, not to any specific name. The Ten Commandments of God gives us understanding of whom God is, his personality and his moral character. The City is called by the Ten Commandments, because within the Temple had been the Tables of Stone that the Ten Commandments had been written upon. The People are called by the Ten Commandments, because it was by Faith as revealed by Abraham, and by overcoming our sins as taught by Jacob, that they were taken out of slavery and made into a great nation.

## Gabriel returns to Daniel

*And whiles I was speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the Lord my God for the holy mountain of my God; Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation. **Daniel 9:20-21***

An oblation is a prayer to God, sometimes added with an offering of bread and wine. Gabriel was the angel in a previous vision, if you recall. That Daniel refers to him as the man, suggests that he has the appearance of a man, and the same appearance as before, so Daniel recognized him as being the same man without a problem.

## To Give Understanding

*And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, "O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding." **Daniel 9:22***

I never quite understood the importance of being given understanding, until God so blessed me with the ability to understand that which had been confusion before. My understanding of Bible scripture is not due to any abilities of my own, but are a gift given to me by God, just as he is about to give Daniel that same gift.

*At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew thee; for thou art greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision. Daniel 9:23*

The phrase, "*At the beginning,*" refers to when Daniel first began to give the above prayer to God. Now Gabriel, at the command of God, wants Daniel to have a better understanding of the first vision, and those that will follow. If you recall, Daniel was sick for a time after the last vision, and seemed to not understand the meaning of that first vision, so I guess God wanted to make sure that he truly understood what he had seen.

## Understanding the End Time Prophecies

There is a huge misconception about the End Time Prophecies, and it all revolves around the fact that those who are deceived by Satan's lies, do not allow for the one day for one year aspect of those prophecies. For this reason, it is commonly believed that these prophecies have yet to occur, and that they are something that will happen just before the Second Advent of Jesus Christ.

## Satan instills confusion

Not allowing for the one day for one year, makes the prophecies so confusing that they are not informative but just the opposite, which is as Satan wants them to be. So confusing are they that most people believe that there will be a third temple built. God gave his son to take on the sins of Man, that they could be reconciled with him. God would never allow a third temple to be built. Why do you think the Muslims were allowed to build their Dome of the Rock on the site of the first two temples? God allowed this so as to prevent the Jews of ever building another temple, because he knows that if they were to do so, they would once again begin animal sacrifice to cleanse themselves of their sins. This would be an abomination to God, having given such a precious sacrifice (Jesus) for that purpose already. God gives support to the above in the following verses.

## Weary of Animal Sacrifices

*To what purpose is the multitude of your sacrifices unto me? Saith the Lord: I am full of the burnt offerings of rams and the fat of fed beasts; and I delight not in the blood of bullocks, or of lambs, or of he goats.*

**Isaiah 1:11**

The above warning was given to the people of the Nation of Israel by the Prophet Isaiah, around 120 years before Babylon destroys Jerusalem and its temple. As God has said and Daniel has admitted in his prayer, the people of the Nation of Israel paid no attention to the prophets of God, not even Isaiah.

In this warning, God is telling the people that their animal sacrifices are no longer desired of by God. The whole purpose of the sacrifice was to wash away a sin you had committed, but to do that you must actually admit to having committed a sin, and then repent your evil ways and through the sacrifice as a symbolic jester renounce your sinfulness and thereby endeavor to not sin ever more.

The people of Israel, used the sacrifice as a way of cleansing themselves of sin, but then went out the next day to commit the sin all over again. This is as it is in the Catholic Church, you give confession on Sunday and are absolved of your sins by a priest, only to go out on Monday and sin again. If you are not truly repentant of having committed sins, then you will not receive God's forgiveness. If you are unwilling to commit to living in Righteousness or freedom from sin, then you are not a child of God but a child of Satan.

## Time Lines of the Bible

*And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. Daniel 7:25*

The words, "Shall speak great words against the most High," suggest to me that the anti-Christ, which is what this verse is speaking of, preaches Blasphemy against the Word of God.

The words, "And shall wear out the Saints of the most High," suggest to me that the anti-Christ is not only speaking Blasphemy but that it is also persecuting the Saints of God, and wearing them out, or in some way causing their numbers to be reduced.

The words, "And think to change times and laws," suggests that the anti-Christ is somehow altering the way of keeping times that had been established by God.

The words, "And they, (the Saints of God), shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time," which tells me that the anti-Christ will have only a given period of time to persecute the Saints of God and no more.

In the context of the above verse, God is saying that the power of the anti-Christ, to persecute the saints and to blaspheme God, will be allowed to last 1260 prophetic days or 1260 literal years. This is calculated out as follows:

Time equals 1

Times equals 2

Dividing of Time equals  $\frac{1}{2}$

Add them together and you get  $3 \frac{1}{2}$ .

The way that the verse is worded, it suggests that this  $3 \frac{1}{2}$  relates to a passage of time, therefore we must determine what unit of time it is speaking of, days, months, or years. This can be determined logically in that God is giving the anti-Christ a limited amount of time to persecute the Saints. With what is spoken of in the above verse I don't see how the anti-Christ could accomplish very much in only days, nor months, but it would take years to accomplish.

Therefore, let's assume the  $3 \frac{1}{2}$  is in years. If you take this to mean  $3 \frac{1}{2}$  years, that will not be very long to accomplish anything don't you agree? There must be some other meaning for determining the time that God is giving the anti-Christ to persecute the Saints of God.

## Remember Ezekiel?

### Context of Ezekiel

God does not always give the full meaning of what he is explaining to us in the same book or even by the same prophet. In my diligent study of the Bible, God revealed a possible way of calculating out the  $3 \frac{1}{2}$  prophecy as shown in the Book of Daniel. I found this when I read the book of Ezekiel, which gave me to understand the context of what God revealed to Daniel.

Ezekiel wrote his prophecies at and around the year 595 BC. Daniel wrote the above verse at or around 555 BC or about 40 years after Ezekiel. Daniel is a slave of the King of Babylon some years after the destruction of Jerusalem and its temple. Ezekiel lived during the time leading up to and during the destruction of the temple.

God has given Ezekiel visions of the destruction of Jerusalem and the first temple. This causes Ezekiel to pray to God for mercy not for the sake of the children of Israel, but for God's sake, that the city bearing God's name, should not be destroyed and only ruins left as a reminder of what it had stood for, and how its people had failed God.

## Three Hundred Ninety Days

*For I have laid upon thee the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days, three hundred and ninety days: so shalt thou bear the iniquity of the house of Israel. **Ezekiel 4:5***

God tells Ezekiel to lie on his left side for 390 days as compensation for the inequities of the Nation of Israel which for 390 years failed to keep the Commandments of God.

## Forty Days

*And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year. **Ezekiel 4:6***

Then God tells Ezekiel to lie upon his right side, thus giving compensation for Judah's breach of promise or breach of the covenant between them and God.

The Nation of Israel as a whole faltered in keeping the Commandments of God for 390 years, whereas the people of Judea had only lost their faith for the last 40 years before Ezekiel.

This then established the one day for a year, which God continues in all end time prophecies. It is because of this breach of the Covenant that God is threatening to destroy Israel; therefore it is for Ezekiel's payment that God extends this mercy upon the people of Israel, and makes the one day for one year usage in End Time Prophecy. This also sets the stage for God to give the Nation of Israel one more opportunity to stay true to the worship of God as is God's pleasure that he be worshiped.

God established in this verse and others from the Book of Ezekiel, for the purposes of End Time Prophecy, that each day is in fact representative of one year. You might want to think of this one day for one year as the mercy that God extended to Ezekiel as payment for his taking upon his person the penance for his entire countrymen.

## The Calculation

*Therefore thou shalt set thy face toward the siege of Jerusalem, and thine arm shall be uncovered, and thou shalt prophesy against it. **Ezekiel 4:7***

This then allows us to determine that 3 ½ years equals 1260 days, as calculated using 360 days in a year, as it was in the days of Daniel and Jesus. As you can see, (3.5 years, multiplied by 12 months gives you 42

months. If you multiply 3.5 by the number of days in a year, or 360, you get 1260 days.) These are expressed as prophetic days. Instead of being days in prophecy the 1260 prophetic days becomes 1260 literal years because of the payment made by Ezekiel, one day for one year.

With this calculation determined we now know that the “Time, Times and dividing of time equals 1260 literal years.

## Prophecies equaling 1260 days

The following is a breakdown of **all** the time line prophecies that equal 1260 days with the verses where they can be found. As you continue your study of these lessons, you will agree with me when I conclude that each of these prophecies relates to the same time period in history, that they are congruent with each other. In each of these verses, you can calculate out 1260 days from their meaning. These are referred to as Prophetic Days. Each Prophetic Days equals one literal year, as I have shown you from the book Ezekiel.

### One Day For One Year

*After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, even forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, even forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise. **Numbers 14:34***

To put this verse in context, the people of Israel have followed Moses out of Egypt, and for forty days they have wandered in the wilderness, continuously complaining and never giving worship to God. Angered by their lack of faith, God forbids that those of that generation shall ever step foot in upon the Promised Land, but instead will wonder for Forty Year, one year for each day, until that generation is consumed with age and passed away.

The **breach of promise** spoken of here by God is the breach of covenant that the children of Jacob have done against God and his Laws. God made a covenant with the Nation of Israel, where the people were required and commanded to keep and perform certain laws that God imposed upon them, primarily the Ten Commandments, therefore when the people of the Nation of Israel failed to keep their side of the Covenant, he punished them, and established this one day for one year policy.

## THE NUMBER 1260

There are two prophecies that I have found which come straight out and uses the number 1260.

## Two Witnesses Prophecy

*And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, (1260 days,) clothed in sackcloth. **Revelation 11:3***

The two witness of God will give testimony of the Word of God for 1260 prophetic days. When you allow one day for one year, as given in Ezekiel, this translates out to 1260 years, which is the same time that the anti-Christ has to make war upon the Saints of God as revealed in the next prophecy.

## Church of Christ Protected

*And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days, (1260 days.) **Revelation 12:6***

The woman is symbolic of the Church of Christ or the people who follow in the Teachings of Jesus Christ, which are called the Saints of God.

These Saints of God are given protection from the anti-Christ for 1260 prophetic days. When you allow one day for one year, this translates out to 1260 years the Saints of God are given protection from the anti-Christ in the wilderness.

## Time, Times and half a Time

### Anti-Christ has 1260 years

*And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. **Daniel 7:25***

The anti-Christ is given 1260 years to blaspheme God and to persecute the Saints of God.

**Remember:** Time equals 1, Times equals 2, and Dividing of Time equals ½. This totals to 3 1/2 years, which equals 1260 prophetic days. One day for one year gives you 1260 years.

## 1260 years to scatter the Holy People

*And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and sware by him that liveth forever that it shall be for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished. **Daniel 12:7***

This verse is telling us that the anti-Christ won't just persecute the Saints of God, but because of that persecution, the Saints will "Scatter," into the wilderness in several different places throughout the Roman Empire and beyond.

## The Woman is given refuge 1260 years

*And the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent. **Revelation 12:14***

The woman is the Church of Christ or the Saints of God; they are given 1260 years to take refuge in the wilderness where they will be free to worship God as God commands without interference or persecution from the anti-Christ.

## When Does the 1260 years Begin?

*And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days, (1290). **Daniel 12:11***

**Take Note:** This above verse does not refer to 1260 prophetic days but 1290 prophetic days.

The question should have entered your thoughts, when do these time prophecies begin. Does the 1260 year time period begin the same time that the 1290 year time period begins?

You need to have all the evidence concerning the identity of the anti-Christ before I make this known to you, so I will give this information in a later time, when we have made clear who and what the anti-Christ is.

Even though I have already explained that the Church of Rome is how the anti-Christ starts out, there is much more to understand about the anti-Christ that will give you proof that is it without a doubt, the Church of Rome which is the original depiction of the anti-Christ as a little horn.

## The anti-Christ in Revelation

### Beast Rises out of the Sea

*And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. **Revelation 13:1***

In his visions given to the Apostle John, Jesus uses graphic symbolisms similar to those shown Daniel six hundred years earlier. This he does to insure that we see that Jesus is giving description to the same thing that God showed to Daniel.

**A beast rise up out of the sea:** As you may recall, the four empires of Man were depicted as four beasts raising out of the sea, so a beast seen rising out of the sea is symbolic of a nation with Imperial qualities, or as can be defined as an empire and not just a kingdom or nation. In this case there is only one Beast not four.

The word **“Empire”** is defined as: **a group of diverse nations, territories, or peoples ruled by a single authority.**

### Having Seven Heads

The Seven Heads are symbolic of **“Seven Mountains”** on which the beast sits. This is an identifier of the place where the Capital City of the anti-Christ, Babylon the Great, is built.

### Ten Horns

**The Ten Horns** are symbolic of **“Ten Kings or Kingdoms”** who are not kings yet. This is again a reference to the Ten Kingdoms that fill the void left by the fall of the Imperial City of Rome, which occurred in history in the year 476 AD.

## Ten Crowns

*The Ten Crowns* upon the Ten Horns is symbolic that these kingdoms will be given all the powers of true kings, even though they currently do not have the ultimate power of a true king. In history the power of the kings of those seven remaining kingdoms after the three were plucked out, was lost to democratic governments. What this verse is telling me, that a person from each nation will acquire powers of ruler ship comparable to the ultimate powers that the kings once had.

## Burning Flame

This tells me that the anti-Christ power will be destroyed by Christ at his second coming. The reference *to the burning flame*, is a reference to Hell's Fire, but it is also a reference to the fire that God's Truth emits upon Satan's Lies. Which tells me that the Word of God, when seen by the people to be God's True Word, will cause that lies of Satan to fall away and seen by the people to be the lies that they are.

## Four Beasts in One

*And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. Revelation 13:2*

**Remember:** this beast is a symbolism of the anti-Christ, and what does Jesus show this beast to look like, a reverse listing of the four beasts that come out of the sea in the Book of Daniel? God used the four empires of Man to show how Satan will take control of all the nations and peoples of those ancient empires and through them the ten kingdoms that fill the void left by the fall of the Roman Empire, all tied into one extensive world empire. This tells me that the Nations of Europe are every bit apart of the anti-Christ as is the Church of Rome.

## The Dragon

The Dragon is a symbolic depiction of Satan. I will give much more extensive explanation to these verses in the Book of Revelation, in latter lessons, so that you will know what I am saying is the truth and not just my opinion.

## Wounded to Death

*And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, "Who is like unto the Beast? Who is able to make war with him?"* **Revelation 13:3-4**

## The Entire World

There is a lot of information being given in the above two verses; however what I want to point out at this time is the fact that Jesus is telling us that the entire world will give worship to the anti-Christ. Are you part of this world, if you are, then doesn't it sound logical that you are included in definition of what the entire world entails.

## Two Gospels

Yes I am sure that you do not consider yourself as one who worships the anti-Christ then alone Satan, Right? All that I have shown from the first lesson should make you aware that there are two gospels and two churches in this world, **God's Holy Gospel which is the Church of Christ**, and Satan's False Gospel and the Church of Satan. You may think that you attend the Church of Christ, and I'll bet your church in fact calls itself the Church of Christ, but remember, Satan lies, and his lies are his gospel, so the chances are good that the church you attend is in fact the Church of Satan.

## Know for Certain

The way to know for certain is to compare the first four of the Ten Commandments with the traditions, customs and practices of your church. Does your church uphold every one of those first four commandments, exactly as they are written, and in the meaning that the words actually have? If not, then it is the Church of Satan based upon Satan's False Gospel.

## First Four Commandments

**Remember:** the first four of the Ten Commandments reveals to us how God commands that we worship him. So if the Church you go to has distorted or removed any one of those first four commandments from the church dogma and practices, then it does not give worship to God as God commands.

## A Mouth Speaking Blasphemies

*And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months. And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. **Revelation 13:5-6***

The **Little Horn** was depicted as having the eyes of a man and **a mouth** speaking blasphemies, in the Book of Daniel; see how this verse speaks of the mouth, and the blasphemies that it utters. This God does to show us that the subject of both verses from Daniel and Revelation are one and the same.

To speak in blasphemies does not have to entail actual words being spoken. Traditions and customs that are established, that are in violation of The Ten Commandments as well as other of God's Word, are ways of blaspheming the Lord as well.

## Most Apparent Lie

The most apparent and easy tradition to notice is the observance of the first day of the week, (**Sunday**), as the Lords Sabbath, when the Fourth Commandment is very clear that it is the Seventh Day of the week that God has set aside for that honor.

## Forty and Two Months

**And power was given unto him to continue forty and two months.** If you Divide 42 by 12 months in a year, you get Three and a Half years. If you then take the 3.5 and multiply it by the number of days in a year as the calendar was up until the 1800's AD, which were 360 days, you will get, 1260 years.

## Makes War on the Saints of God

*And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations. **Revelation 13:7***

This above verse from Revelation is saying the same thing essentially as the following verse.

*And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. **Daniel 7:25***

To make war, doesn't necessarily mean with swords and army's, you can also make war with persecutions, torcher and murder.

## The anti-Christ will be worshiped

*And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. If any man have an ear, let him hear. **Revelation 13:8-9***

In these two verses Jesus gives a qualifier to who it is that will give worship to Satan by way of his anti-Christ. All will worship him, “whose names are **NOT** written in the book of life.” Is your name written in the Book of Life? How could we possibly know? If you can't know with any kind of certainty, then shouldn't you consider that perhaps your name is not written in the Book of Life? That being the case, don't you think it wise, to take a look at your faith, and compare it to the Word of God as it is written in the Bible, to compare it to determine if your believes are all supported by the Word of God. If you observe Sunday as the Lords Sabbath, then I can tell you right now that you most likely do not have your name written in the Book of Life, because you are in violation of God's Fourth Commandment. It is not too late to change all that. The Book of Life is not written in stone; names can and are added and removed as our life experiences dictate.

## The Evolution of the anti-Christ

Jesus uses this symbolism of a **beast rising out of the sea**, to show that the anti-Christ is not only a man, but a nation that has control and influence of other nations, and peoples. This little horn, therefore achieves the status of a world empire, and is no longer a little kingdom surrounded by the other larger kingdoms that filled the void left by the fall of the Roman Empire, but the Little Nation evolves into an Empire in fact even if not in name.

## In Review

**Babylon** is represented in the first part of the statue, the Head of Gold, as well as the first beast to come out of the sea, the Lion with wings of an Eagle.

**Persia** is represented by the second part of the statue, the Chest of Silver, and the second beast that comes out of the sea, the Bear with three ribs in its mouth and walks with one side greater than the other.

**Greece** is represented by the third part of the statue, the bronze girdle, and the third beast, the winged four headed leopard.

**Rome** is represented by the fourth part of the statue, the long Legs of Iron, and the fourth beast, that Daniel saw to be so terrible, that he could not describe it, except that it had 10 horns.

**The 10 horns** correspond with the ten toes of the statue, which are representative of ten kingdoms or nations that will arise out of the division of the fourth kingdom which I have suggested is the Roman Empire, or more specifically, the Western Roman Empire.

**Remember:** the fourth conquering nation is divided in half first, (the two legs and two feet), and then one of those halves is divided into the ten nations.

If you are a student of history you will know that the Roman Empire was first divided in two sister Empires, the Western Roman Empire and the Eastern Roman Empire, which first occurred in 235 AD. Then in 476 AD the city of Rome is sacked and this brings to an end of the Imperial Government of the Western Roman Empire that had held Europe together, but only just. With the end of the Imperial Government ten smaller nations arise to fill the void thus created.

## Chart of the Empires

I once again give you the chart that shows the time periods of the Empires. As you can see, Divided Rome is still going on. Those original Kingdoms, except for the three pulled up by the roots by the little horn (anti-Christ); still exist today as I write these words.

Verse	Kingdom	Metal identifier	Date	Years
32	Babylon	Head of Gold	605 BC - 539 BC	66
32	Mede-Persia	Chest of Silver	539 BC – 331 BC	208
32	Greece	Belly and Thighs of Brass	331 BC – 168 BC	163
33	Rome	Long legs of Iron	168 BC – 476 AD	644
33	Divided Rome	Feet and toes of Iron & Clay	476 AD - Present	1539

When the City of Rome fell in 476 AD the Eastern half of the Empire continued on and eventually renamed itself to that of the Byzantine Empire, until the time of the Christian Crusades, when the Christian Crusaders encouraged to do so by the Roman Pope, sacked the capital city of Constantinople, (modern day Istanbul), which in time resulted in the destruction of the Eastern Empire.

## Ten Nations Arise

It was from the western half of the empire that the ten toes or horns emerge, within Europe and North Western Africa. It is from within them that the little horn emerges as well. Knowing this, the logical identity of the ten toes, or horns is ten nations of Europe and Northwestern Africa, which is the area controlled by the Western Roman Empire, and therefore where the nations would form out of.

## Ten Horns, Ten Kingdoms

To best understand this we need to do a review.

1. Four great kingdoms (empires) of Man will arise.
  - a. Babylonian Empire
  - b. Persian-Mede Empire
  - c. Greek Empire
  - d. Roman Empire
2. The Roman Empire will be divided, first in half.
  - a. The Eastern Roman Empire with its capital in Constantinople, Modern Day Turkey.
3. Then again it will divide into ten kingdoms in the Western Roman Empire.
  - a. Alamanni, or the Germans;
  - b. Burgundians, or the Swiss;
  - c. Franks, or the French;
  - d. Lombards, or the Italians;
  - e. Saxons, or the English;
  - f. Suevi, or the Portuguese;
  - g. Visigoths, or the Spanish;
  - h. Heruli, Germanic tribes from northern Italy, which are now extinct;
  - i. Ostrogoths, from the area we now call Austria, which are now extinct;
  - j. Vandals, from modern day Morocco, which are now extinct;

4. An eleventh kingdom will arise, (a little horn).
  - a. This little nation will pluck up three of the original ten nations, the Heruli, Ostrogoths, and the Vandals.
  - b. This little nation's ruler will speak blasphemies against God.
  - c. This little nation's ruler will not be a king, but will be chosen in some other fashion.
  - d. This little nation will be ruled as a theology, with a religious person as its ruler.
  - e. This little nation will have influence and control over the nations of Europe.
  - f. This little nation (the anti-Christ) will make war upon the Saints of God.
  - g. This anti-Christ will be successful in destroying the Saints of God.
  - h. This anti-Christ will have 1260 years to make war on the Saints of God.
  - i. God's judgment on Satan will sit, and the anti-Christ will be destroyed in the End of Days.

I am sure you have noticed that the last three are extinct. If you recall, **Daniel 7:8**, said that the little horn would pluck three of the ten out by the roots. That means to destroy totally, with no way of ever growing back. We know that this did in fact happen in history, however for me to give further explanation of this event, would require me to inform you of the identity of the anti-Christ before you have all the evidence giving proof that it is as I suggest.

## Last Three Empires

### The Ram, the Persian Empire

*In the third year of the reign of King Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, even unto me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first. **Daniel 8:1***

If you refer back to Daniel Chapter 5, you will find that Belshazzar is the son of the Great King, Nebuchadnezzar who became king when Nebuchadnezzar was dethroned by God and made to eat with the animals of the field.

We continue with the visions given to the Prophet Daniel. This next vision takes place around 553 BC which would make Daniel about 66 years old.

*And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I was at Shushan in the palace, which is in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai. Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw,*

*and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last. Daniel 8:2-3*

God is once again using symbolisms to depict something already shown to us, but in a different way. This is a description given of the two horns on the Ram, so as to reveal a different aspect of what he has shown before in the imagery of the statute composed of four metals from King Nebuchadnezzar's Dream.

## One Horn Higher than the other

*But the one was higher than the other:* This description which depicts one of the Ram's horns as being higher than the other is a way of informing us, that this Ram is representing the same kingdom or nation as the bear like creature because it had one side higher than the other. If you recall the bear like beast came out of the sea in the previous vision. As we now understand, the Bear was symbolic of the Persian Empire as did the Second Part of the Statue, the Shoulders and Chest of Silver, so therefore the Ram with the two horns, one higher than the other, is also symbolic of the Persian Empire.

## Came Up Last

*And the higher came up last.* My above conjecture is supported by the fact that one horn is higher than the other, which is a reference to the Bear being higher on one side over the other side, then a further reference is made to the fact that the higher horn, or more powerful horn, came up after the first. This is consistent with history, in that the kingdom of the Medes, the weaker kingdom, came before that of the Persians, or the stronger kingdom.

You might also have noticed that God does not speak again of Babylon. This is because the history lesson has now passed Babylon, as well as the fact, that the whole reason for the history lesson is to reveal the anti-Christ, and its attempts at deceiving Man as to the true worship of God; therefore any further reference to Babylon is pointless in that its purpose of showing Babylon as resistant to the will of God has been accomplished.

## Directions of Conquest

*I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great. Daniel 8:4*

As I have said before, God gives us information, then in the next vision reviews what he gave us from before, then gives us new information, so to insure the understanding that we gleaned before is true and with full understanding. I find this to be true in this and the following verses, for he is now giving new information that we can use to compare with what we think we know, to determine our correct understanding of what God is revealing to us in these prophecies.

## Not to the East

The ram is pushing three different directions but not to the East. This is consistent with history, for the Persians did not try to extend their kingdom East past the Indus River into India, but their empire did extend up to the border with India from before the Persians conquered Babylon.

The words, no beasts might stand before him, refers to the fact that no other nation could stand up against the Persians, at least in its early years after it conquered the Babylonians.

**Remember:** a beast is symbolic of a Nation or Empire, just as horns are symbolic of kingdoms or nations.

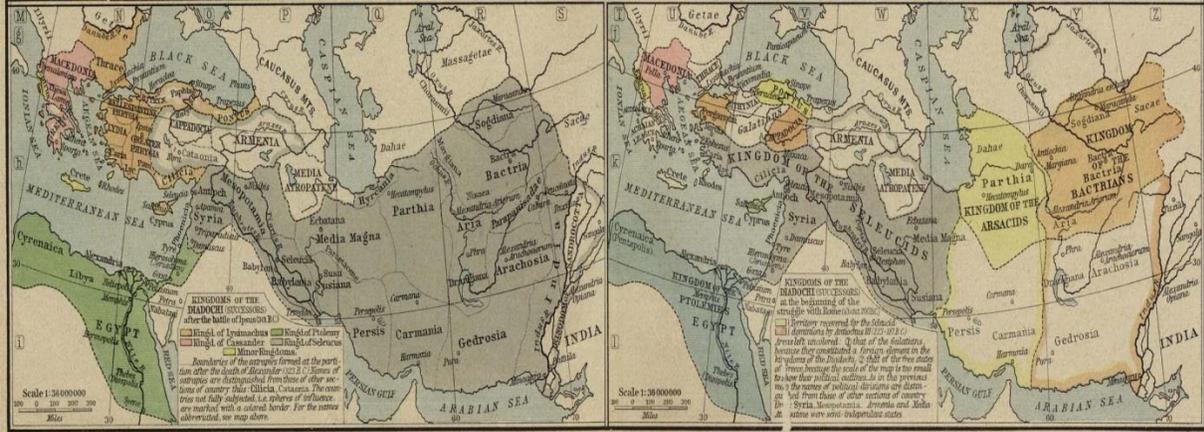
## The He-Goat, Greek Empire

*And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes. Daniel 8:5*

In the previous visions, we determined, or should I say assumed, that Greece would be the next great kingdom to come after the Persians, in that history tells us it was the Greeks who conquered the Persian Empire. This verse gives us more evidence that this is true as being prophesized by God.

## Comes From the West

The He Goat comes from the West: If you look at a map of the Region, Greece lies to the West of the Persian Empire, thus giving additional evidence to support our earlier assumption, that the Third Part of the Statue, “Skirt of Bronze,” and the Third Beast, “Leopard like beast, are symbolic of the Greek Empire.



## Does not touch the ground

This verse also tells us that the he goat did not touch the ground, which is another way of indicating that it came with great speed. This of course agrees with the idea of a leopard with wings.

## A Notable Horn

The he goat has a notable horn. This, notable horn, I believe to be a reference to Alexander the Great. Alexander is the one who mobilized the Greeks to invade Persia, and it is a historically accepted fact that it was Alexander, that caused the Greeks overwhelming influence over the entire Mediterranean, to come to its fullest potential.

## Fury of his power

*And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power. Daniel 8:6*

When Alexander invaded Persia, he did it with the full power of his army and his force of character, leaving nothing back. This is given support once more to this he goat being symbolic of the Greek Empire.

## Moved with choler

*And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand. Daniel 8:7*

As a student of history, I don't know any other words, which so precisely describe the venom of Alexander's attack against the Persian Empire or the devastating consequences of his assault.

## The Great Horn was Broken

*Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven. **Daniel 8:8***

**When he was strong, the great horn was broken:** This is an excellent description of the death of Alexander. He was still young and had the full power of his conquests behind him when he died.

## Four Notable Ones

**And for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven:** This is a reference to the four Generals of Alexander who upon his death divided his kingdom between themselves. History tells us that the Four Generals that divided Alexander's Empire were, Cassander, who took the area of Macedonia, see the above map; Lysimachus, who took the areas of Thrace and the western portion of modern day Turkey; Seleucus, who took what was known as Asia, which includes Syria through the Mesopotamia region east to the Indus River; and last, Ptolemy, who took Egypt.

**Take Note:** that in this vision the beasts are not horrific monsters, but are depicted as a Ram and a Goat, these are the two animals upon which sacrifices in the temple in Jerusalem were made. I consider this a possibility that God is telling us that he is using these two nations as sacrifices, to lead us to the true purpose of these visions. It is also possible that this imagery is to inform us that these two kingdoms were not dominated by Satan or his Earthly power the anti-Christ, but that the next and fourth Empire to arise will be.

## The anti-Christ Power

## The Little Horn

*And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land. **Daniel 8:9***

You might say, wait a minute, this goes from Greece right to the little horn, what about the Roman Empire? This is a thing best told from a historical point of view. Rome though Latin, was heavily influenced in its early history by Greece, so you could say that the Roman Empire was nothing more than a continuation of the Greek Empire, as you could say that the United States is but a continuation of the nations of Europe. In that light, and the fact that we by now know that Rome should come next, God jumps forward to the little horn to impress upon us, that it is not Rome that he is showing all of these visions for, but that it is this little horn, or the anti-Christ that he wants us to be made aware of.

## The Evil Empire

I should also point out however, that the Roman Empire is historically known as the Evil Empire. This is not without cause. Long before the establishment of the little horn or the anti-Christ, the Roman Empire began the systematic execution and persecution of the Saints of God. I consider this proof of the influence Satan had over the rulers or Emperors of Rome. When it became apparent that the Empire would fall, Satan through his influence caused the establishment of the little horn or the anti-Christ, so that he would still have a force on the Earth that he had influence over, so as to continue his war against the saints of God.

The two points of the compass that this little horn pushed towards, supports that it is the anti-Christ to which God is referring. The anti-Christ already had its power established in Western Europe, so as it grows in power and influence, it attempts to exert its influence over the Eastern Roman Empire as well.

The pleasant land of course is a reference to the land of the nation of Israel otherwise known as the Palestine. In the Bible, God always refers to that area of the world as either the pleasant land or a land of milk and honey.

## Cast Down Some

*And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them. **Daniel 8:10***

One definition of the word Host is, “The animal or plant on which or in which another organism lives.” The Host of Heaven is God or the Christ Jesus. God gave life to the earth, and without God there would be no life, which is why God can be referred to as the host of heaven. In that regard, God is the host on which all life exists.

Another definition of the word Host is, “A great number; a multitude.” This too is a good description of what God is saying in **Daniel 8:10**. This verse is a reference to the Little Horn or the Anti-Christ, and that it casts down, or changes the commandments and times of God. This could also be a reference to...

*And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.*

#### **Revelation 13:4**

You see, the wording is similar in meaning, therefore, that which is being spoken of in both the Book of Daniel and the Book of Revelation, is one and the same.

## Magnified Himself

*Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down. **Daniel 8:11***

This then gives support to my assertion that God is the “Host of Heaven” spoken of in the previous verse, because the prince of the host is a reference to the Christ Jesus, The Son of God, which is to say that Satan or his anti-Christ set themselves up (magnified himself) to be greater than or to replace the Christ Jesus, the God of the universe.

## Daily Sacrifice Taken away

The next few words have multiple meanings. The words, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, is both confusing to many as it once was to me, and enlightening to me now that God has given me understanding.

You first need to know who does the word “him” refer. In the above verse there are two personages that are referenced, the anti-Christ, “himself,” and the “prince of the host,” Jesus. Then the verse tells us, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away. Which one of the two is being referred to by the word “him?” Was the daily sacrifice taken away by the anti-Christ, or did the “prince of the host (Jesus),” cause it to be taken away?

The knee jerk interpretation would be that the anti-Christ or Satan caused the daily sacrifice to be taken away. But I ask you, to what purpose? The sacrifices conducted in the Temple, were for the purpose of those

who had sinned prior to the coming of Jesus the Messiah. These sacrifices allowed that those who had sinned to have their sins washed away. Therefore, you would think that would be a good reason for Satan to want to take it away, right. I suggest that Satan would have preferred that the sacrifices continued. Why, you ask? The sacrifices no longer have God's approval. With Christ giving his life on the cross for our sins, the purpose of the sacrifice, which was symbolic of the true tabernacle in heaven, was fulfilled. Any additional sacrifices would be an effrontery and an insult to the sacrifice of Jesus. Therefore, it is because of the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross that causes the daily sacrifice to be taken away.

## Sanctuary Was Cast Down

The last part of this verse is the key to understanding of which of the two it was that caused the daily sacrifice to be taken away. "The place of his sanctuary was cast down," the word "his" is the key. Whose sanctuary is the question? Was the temple in Jerusalem the sanctuary of Christ or Satan? Sometimes you might wonder, with all the sins and blasphemy that were taking place inside the temple by the elders that perhaps it was more the house of Satan than the house of God, but its purpose was to point to the coming of Christ, which means it was the sanctuary of the Christ. Therefore, the words "BY HIM" means that because of the sacrifice of Christ on the cross, the daily sacrifice was taken away, there no longer being a need for it.

Of course, the Jews who refuse Christ don't see it that way, but they turned their backs on God, during the time before Jeremiah and Ezekiel, which resulted in the destruction of the first temple, it only took those years in between the destruction of the first temple to the destruction of the second temple, that God offered to Israel to redeem itself, and they failed. I will be discussing this failure in greater detail latter.

You need to be careful when reading this verse. The words, "he magnified himself even to the prince of the host," which tells me that he, Satan, or the anti-Christ, challenged even the prince of the host, which I interpret as being the Christ Jesus (prince of the host). It was this confrontation that brought about the sacrifice of Jesus on the cross, thereby bringing to an end the need for the daily sacrifice. That this verse says that the sanctuary would be cast down means that it would be destroyed, which from history we know did happen when the Romans tore it down around 70 AD or about 30 years after the crucifixion of Jesus.

## It Practiced and Prospered

*And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practiced, and prospered. Daniel 8:12*

**The Host against the daily sacrifice.** The Host is again a reference to Christ. Christ would be the host against the daily sacrifice, because the sacrifice of animals to clean away sins was no longer tolerated by God because of his sons sacrifice.

**“By reason of transgression,”** suggests to me, that the sanctuary was allowed to be destroyed by God, and the daily sacrifice was ended, because of the transgressions of the people of Israel, because of their accepting the lies and traditions of Satan and men over the Commandments of God, and because the People of Israel refused to accept Jesus as the long awaited Messiah.

The words, **“and it cast down the truth to the ground;”** is a reference to the establishment of the anti-Christ and the blasphemies that it spouts, and the lies that it tells, thus casting truth to the ground. The words, **“and it practiced, and prospered,”** is a reference to the fact that the anti-Christ grew and prospered despite its lies and blasphemies. In history we know this occurred for 1260 years. I will show the beginning and ending years of this 1260 year period a bit further on in this Bible Study.

## The Power to Punish

Keep in mind, that the anti-Christ is Satan’s power on Earth to influence and in some cases control men and their rulers. The anti-Christ has existed on the Earth since Adam and Eve were removed from the Garden of Eden. What all these prophecies that God is giving are pointing to is not the establishment of the anti-Christ but the establishment of the anti-Christ as a power capable of giving punishment to any and all who oppose him. As I have already shown, this occurs when the anti-Christ is given the power and authority of a sovereign state or nation, which is what the symbolism of the Little Horn represents.

## 2300 Prophetic Days

As with the other prophecies, 2300 Prophetic Days equals 2300 Literal years. This time prophecy has within it all of the 1260 years that have come to known as the Dark Ages, as well as the time after the Prophet Daniel of 70 years when the Nation of Israel are given a second chance at redemption.

## How Long

*Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, “How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of the desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?”* **Daniel 8:13**

The question is being asked: “How long will Satan have to make war on the Saints of God, and defile the holy sanctuary of God.” The sanctuary is the Temple in Jerusalem. The Second temple has almost from the start been under the influence of Satan. With Jesus crucified and the Temple destroyed, the holy mountain on which it stood was given over to those who are **desolate**, which is to say, those who do not have God. If you do not worship God as he commands, then you do not worship God at all, therefore you are desolate, with no hope of salvation.

## Sanctuary to be Cleansed

*And he said unto me, “Unto two thousand and three hundred days (2300); then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.”* **Daniel 8:14**

Up till this point we have been shown time prophecies of less than 2300 days. This then being 2300 prophetic days tells us that there is a much longer time period that all the other shorter time periods are embedded into.

The phrase, “then shall the sanctuary be cleansed,” is a reference to the Tabernacle in Heaven, thus at the end of these 2300 prophetic days or 2300 literal years, the head Priest, **Christ**, of the Church of Christ, will cleanse it (the tabernacle) of the sins of Man. To better understand this, I suggest you read the section in the **Book of Leviticus Chapter 22**, where the duties of the priests and high priest of the tabernacle are explained.

This is 2300 prophetic days, or 2300 literal years. When does this begin and when does it end, you might ask. There are differing opinions as to when this 2300-year time line begins, however the Bible is very specific as to when these all begin, if you read the words of the Bible for their true meaning rather than the miss-interpretations given by Satan. At the end of this Chapter, I have placed a graph, which will help you to see this time line in relation to other time lines prophesied by Daniel in Chapter 9.

## Gabriel’s Explanation

*And it came to pass, when I, even I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man. And I heard a man’s voice between the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, “Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision.”* **Daniel 8:15-16**

Having had the vision, Daniel wants to understand the meaning of it, as I am sure so do you.

The angel Gabriel is given permission by God or Jesus, to give Daniel the interpretation of this vision.

## Time of the End

*So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, "Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end shall be the vision." **Daniel 8:17***

I interpret this to mean, that no one will understand without a doubt what this vision is all about until the End of Time, or End of Days. That I have been given by the grace of God, the understanding of these visions of Daniel, suggests to me that I live in the End of Days or very close to them. This also tells me, that those who lived before me, over the centuries, will not have understanding of what these verses mean, which is a truth, born out by history.

## As in a Deep Sleep

*Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and set me upright. And he said, "Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at that time appointed the end shall be." **Daniel 8:18-19***

*The last end of the indignation* refers to the lies and accusations that Lucifer has made against God Almighty. At that time, when all of Satan's lies are revealed to be lies and all the angels in heaven and the people of the Earth will know them to be lies, and then will the end be, and God will have cleared his good name, and then God will be able to deal with Satan once and for all.

## God Interprets his Prophecies

In the following God through his angel *Gabriel*, gives us explanation of the previous verses.

## Persian Empire

*The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia. **Daniel 8:20***

This then gives verification to my earlier assertions that the second part of the statue or the chest and arms of silver, as well as the second beast, the bear that was hunched on one side, and then again the ram with one horn higher than the other are all symbolisms of the Media-Persian Empire.

## Greek Empire

*And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.*

### Daniel 8:21

Again, this supports what I said, that the third part of the statue represents Greece, as does the third beast, the leopard, as too the He Goat. This also gives verification that the first king spoken of is in fact Alexander the Great and that it was Alexander who unified the Macedonian-Greco coalition, which then conquered the Persian Empire establishing the Greek Empire.

## The Four Greek Kings

*Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power. Daniel 8:22*

The one horn of the He Goat is broken, which is to say that Alexander dies, and four stand up in its place. Alexander dies at the height of his power, and because there is no heir to the throne, his four Generals split the empire between them. But not in his power, means that these four kings do not have the power or the character of Alexander the Great, and therefore the Empire remains at the borders that Alexander establishes and does not expand further.

## A King of Fierce Countenance

*And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up. Daniel 8:23*

This verse jumps right past the Roman Empire and tells us about an even more distant king. This is done to illustrate, that the focus of End Time Bible Prophecy is not on Rome, but on its seed or off spring, and specifically on the little horn or the anti-Christ and its arrangement with the Ten Nations that fill the void created when the City of Rome fell.

A king of fierce countenance refers to the anti-Christ, as a king, thus giving verification that the little horn is a kingdom. This verse also gives clues to the anti-Christ's identity. The word "Fierce," means that it has a violent or savage nature, not forgiving or merciful.

## In the Latter Time

And in the latter time, is an interesting phrase to me. The words, "latter time" refers to the **End of Times**. Do not confuse the difference between the End of Times and the End of Days. As I have already explained, I am convinced that the End of Times begins when Julius Caesar, declares himself dictator for life, thus ending the Roman Republic and establishing the Roman Empire, this occurs somewhere around 30 BC. This I see as the End of Times because with only one person, (the Emperor), to control, Satan is able to obtain a much firmer grasp of control of the Roman Empire, thus giving Satan far more power over the masses.

## The End of Days

The End of Days on the other hand is not so specific in its beginning, but that it refers to those last several years, prior to the Second Advent of Christ. Through God's Grace, I have been shown that we are now in the End of Days, and that the Great War and Tribulation spoken of in the Book of Revelation, is upon us. I see the beginning of the End of Days as being the same day that the Abomination of Desolation, or the leader of the anti-Christ religion, (the Catholic Pope), stands in the holy place, and this occurred in the month of May 2014.

Of their kingdom, refers to the Kingdoms or Empires of the Greeks and Romans, and it is from their kingdoms that the transgressors will come into their full. Which of course means that the anti-Christ, (the transgressor) will be established, and achieve its full power and authority as a sovereign nation.

## Dark Sentences

Understanding dark sentences is a reference to it being in partnership with Satan. It also means it knows how to deceive and tell lies that when told sound like the truth, which again is a reference to Satan, whom God calls the Prince of Lies.

## Not by his own power

*And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practice, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. **Daniel 8:24***

**Remember:** I showed you earlier concerning the use of "he, and Him, or his". God is referring in this verse to the anti-Christ as, "HE." The anti-Christ entity will have power to accomplish what it will, despite it being inferior in size to the nations around it.

**Remember:** it is a Little Horn which is symbolic of a little nation and it is that little nation that is the anti-Christ, which has the power to punish and persecute those who oppose its False Gospel. Before the anti-Christ power, (the little nation), is established, the anti-Christ only had the ability to influence men who had similar personalities and who engaged in immoral activities as is the Way of Satan. With the establishment of the anti-Christ nation and church it gained the power to punish and destroy those who would otherwise give true and correct worship to the God of Creation. Satan now had real power in the world of Man to exact vengeance and punishment upon the Saints of God, which it makes full use of in the Trials of Inquisition of the Dark Ages.

The Phrase, **“but not by his own power,”** is another good clue as to the anti-Christ’s identity. It doesn’t have an army to force its will on others, but relies on the other nations of Europe, which it has strong influences over, to carry out its punishments and persecutions for it. It is for this complicity in the advance and strengthening of the anti-Christ which makes those nations of Europe an extension of the anti-Christ, and why God will punish those nations during the End of Days.

## The Holy People

And of course, it is **the holy people** or the Saints of (The Most High) that the anti-Christ seeks to destroy or wars against, however if anyone else gets in its way, or shows any opposition to its dogma, it will destroy them as well, even if he is a King of another country, all of which is proven out in history.

## Destroy By Peace

*And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand. **Daniel 8:25***

**And through his policy** refers to the religious dogma and traditions that the anti-Christ will establish.

**He shall cause craft to prosper in his hand.** The word **“Craft,”** as used in this verse is the English word that translates from the Hebrew word, **“Mirmah,”** which means **to deceive, fraud, false, guile, subtly, treachery.** So it is by these blasphemies that the anti-Christ prospers.

**By peace shall destroy many.** This means that **“he,”** the anti-Christ, will not wage a war with the normal weapons of armies against all who oppose him, but by guile, lies and deceit, and by giving false testimony against its adversaries, it will cause the vassal nations to carry out those executions it doesn’t do it self. So successful is the anti-Christ that it is able to send its henchmen into the very borders of the other

countries, without fear of reprisal by those nations, and take its citizens for torture and death without consideration of the civil laws of those other nations.

## Prince of Princes

*And the metal statue and the feet and toes that were broken to pieces by a stone not cut out by hand.*

### **Daniel 2:34-35**

*The prince of princes* is a reference to the Christ Jesus, who at the time of Daniel, was not to be born for 600 more years. The anti-Christ will, through his lies and deceptions, pollute and alter the Teachings of Jesus, to the point that they will be unrecognizable as being of Jesus by those that diligently study the Teachings of Jesus. Through the lessons to come, I will show how the anti-Christ accomplishes this. The reference to the phrase, *“but he shall be broken without hand,”* is a reference back to:

As you might recall, this verse was another reference to the Christ Jesus. With these definitions, let's rephrase the above verse.

“And through the policies of the anti-Christ, using, deceit, lies and false testimony, the anti-Christ will magnify himself in his own heart, and by use of these treacheries, he shall destroy many Saints of God. The anti-Christ will even stand up against the Son of God, but in the end he will be broken without hand by Christ.”

## Not for Many Days

*And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days. Daniel 8:26*

## A True Vision

The Vision given to Daniel and explained by the Angel Gabriel is further attested by Gabriel, *that it is true*, and therefore a vision from God. When God says something will happen, then it will happen, of that there should be no doubt.

## For many days

The reference that it will be for many days is another reference that these prophecies are meant for those who live in the End of Days to understand and not for those in the days of Daniel or for many centuries afterwards.

## One Day for One Year

The reference to for many days also helps to establish that a day in End Time prophecy is symbolic for a year. Can you not see that the phrase, "for it shall be for many days," actually means for many years? This goes along with what God revealed to us in the Book of Ezekiel, therefore God is showing us that one day equals one year in End Time and End Day prophecies.

## None Understood the Vision

*And I Daniel fainted, and was sick certain days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, but none understood it. **Daniel 8:27***

This suggest to me, that I am right about the prophecies being for those who live in the End of Days, for evidently Daniel discuss' his visions with others of his day, and they had no clue what the dreams meant, and yet God has given to me this understanding, and through me you can also understand. This is yet another proof, in my mind, that we live in the End of Days.

## The Long Road

God has taken this long road of showing us the identity of the anti-Christ so when we are finally given the identity, we will know it to be true because of all the evidence he has given us. I will be giving a full discussion and explanation of all of the Identifiers of the anti-Christ in another lesson.