

Daniel, Prophet of the End

*Lesson 12 (Daniel) - From North and South to the Beautiful Land

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Introduction

In Daniel 11 we have a direct continuum from chapter 10, wherein Gabriel was speaking to Daniel, uncovering to him the truths of those kings that shall succeed the Persian empire, namely Greece, Rome and her successors. Further too, Gabriel had already told Daniel these words, “and now will I return to fight with **the prince of Persia**: and when I am gone forth, lo, **the prince of Grecia shall come.**” Dan. 10: 20.

Therefore, not only was Gabriel having to battle under the Persian kingdom, but under the Grecian as well! This angel assured Daniel that the Grecian empire would come, and how it would eventually morph into two distinct kingdoms—the King of the North and the king of the South, reduced from four, as we have previously studied in Chapter 8. Eventually, out of one of these two “kings” another kingdom would emerge, taking to itself the title “king of the North.” That kingdom was Pagan Rome, in fulfillment of the prediction in Chapter 8: 9, “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.” It is this military power that would next bear rule over, and ultimately oppress the church of God, till the time of the end, under its new phase, Papal Rome.

Because Daniel 11 extends from ancient Persia and meets its terminus in the “time of the end,” when Michael stands up in the midst of the “time of trouble,” (Dan. 12: 1), we will not spend a lot of time on the early history of these past empires, but will treat them with sufficient detail as to provide a guiding light from those days till ours, and then bring the full force of the whole prophetic word of God to bear on these end-times scenes from Daniel 11. We should also state, for the record, that Daniel 11 does not end with v. 45 but continues till Chapter 12:4, just as we are now seeing that the theology of Chapter 10, did not terminate with verse 21, but with Chapter 11: 4 instead! For in Chapter 11, the angel Gabriel was but in the middle of his thoughts when he continued speaking, “Also [**in addition to what I’ve already said**] I [**Gabriel**] in the first year of Darius the Mede, even I, stood to confirm and to strengthen him.” Dan. 11: 1.

I must apologize before commencing this study: It is most unfair that our church should embark on this study over the course of one week! This is the longest prophecy with many interpretational details that must be clearly understood if we will appreciate the concluding verses from 40-45. What I’m preparing is an in-depth exposition on the subject that the reader may be securely anchored upon the “sure” principles of God’s holy Word. So, I beg your patience, as we delve into this very timely prophecy, extending from Daniel’s days to ours!

The Fall of Persia; Sabbath Afternoon, March 14

- “1 ¶ Also I [**Gabriel**] in **the first year** of **Darius the Mede**, even I [**Gabriel**] , stood to confirm and to strengthen him. (2) And now will I [**Gabriel**] shew thee [**Daniel**] the truth. Behold, there shall stand up

yet three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than they all: and by his strength through his riches **he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia.**” Dan. 11: 1, 2*

Comment: Although Gabriel mentions “the first year of Darius the Mede,” we should recall that Daniel was having this visitation “In the third year of Cyrus king of Persia,” (Dan. 10: 1), which caused the angel to say “now” [in Darius’ third year] will I shew thee the truth.

The “three kings” that were to arise are:

- 1) Cambyses (530-522 BC)
- 2) The False Smerdis, a usurper (522 BC)
- 3) Darius I, the Great (522-486 BC)
- 4) **The Fourth King:** Xerxes 1 (486-465). He is recognized in the Bible as King Ahasuerus (Artaxerxes-1), the husband of Queen Esther. The prophecy says of him that “**the fourth shall be far richer than they all:** and...through **his riches** he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia.” (v. 2). And such was the case of Artaxerxes, his wealth exceeded that of his predecessors combined, and when he went to invade Greece, he amassed an army of more than a million strong, and a navy of over 1200 ships!

“The Battle of **Salamis**, which followed, was a disaster for the Persian fleet and cost Xerxes dearly...Xerxes returned home ‘limping’ with a fraction of his army and was forced to eat bark, weeds, and leaves because there was no food left in the regions they traveled through.” https://www.ancient.eu/Xerxes_I/

The naval battle at **Salamis, Greece** was fought in September, 480 BC, in the Saronic Gulf, in which Xerxes (Ahasuerus) squared off against the Grecian armies, and was defeated! Prior to this battle, however, in August of that year, his army had scored a signal victory against the Greeks, at the Battle of Thermopylae, during which they burnt the city of Athens. This vexation would eventually lead to the return of the Hellenistic king, Alexander the Great, to settle old scores. The last of the Persian kings, Darius III, engaged Alexander the Great in battle of Gaugamela (near Irbil, Iraq) and was roundly defeated, and thus was the Kingdom of Greece made a world empire with Alexander as its first king.



- “Then said he, Knowest thou wherefore I come unto thee? and now will I **return to fight with the prince of Persia:** and **when I am gone forth, lo, the prince of Grecia shall come.**” Dan. 10: 20**
- It is of little knowledge how God rules in the political affairs of nations, and many even today will inquire: How can God use or protect, or oversee the appointment of such and such a one? But in His own wisdom, YHWH rules in the kingdoms and affairs of mankind for His own good pleasure and for the redemption of the Church of God. In this passage, Gabriel announced that he would go back “to fight with” and not

against, the king of Persia! When God is on the side of any army, even though it remained one man standing, that one man can route millions, for the battle is not man's but the Lord's! This is what gave power to the Persian empire, as long as the angel Gabriel was overseeing the command of the nation's forces. But that covering would not be forever extended, for God will plead with the heart of the king, and when he spurns Divine grace, then that shelter is removed, and he is left to the chastening of the wind and the whirlwind! On account of the Media-Persian's moral failings, the angel of God moved on to joining the fight "with" the new king of Grecia—Alexander The Great! And with only an army of 40,000 warriors, Alexander secured a victory against the Persians against whom he was outflanked by at least 10:1, yet he lost less than 1,000 of his men in that ferocious battle!

- Today, many Christians chafe at the US President, Donald Trump, but just as God fought with the Persians and later the Greeks, the same he is doing with the Americans, and when they shall have filled up the cup of their transgressions, he will leave them and fight with their enemies! In such a situation, "national apostasy will result in national ruin." Great nations have fallen when they were best equipped and most independent of God's protective care.

Fall of Persian & Rise of Greece; Sunday March 15

- "(3) And a **mighty king shall stand up**, that shall **rule with great dominion**, and do according to his will. (4) And when he shall **stand up**, his kingdom shall be **broken**, and shall be **divided toward the four winds of heaven**; and not to his posterity, nor according to **his dominion** which he ruled: for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for **others** beside those." Dan. 11: 3, 4*



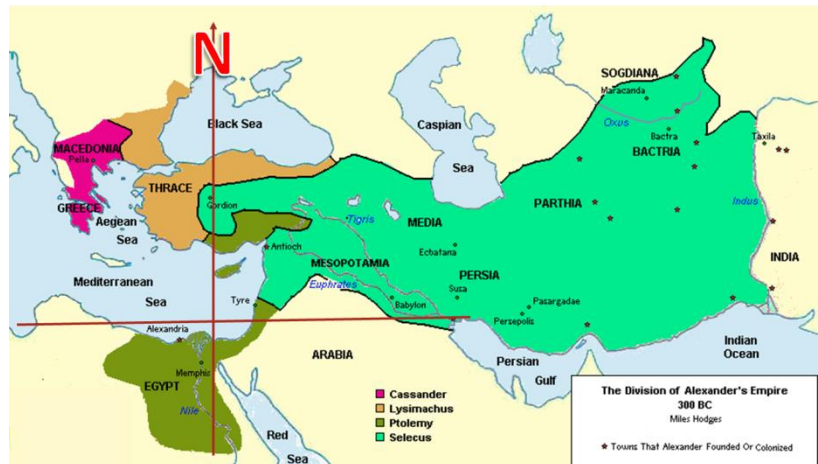
- This "mighty king" who was to "rule with GREAT dominion," is the historical intrepid Spartan warrior, Alexander **The Great!** With God on his side, Alexander's army wasted the indomitable Persians, and secured the throne to himself!
- "When the Amorites had filled up the measure of their iniquity, **their place was given to Israel**, the people of God. When Israel, following the way of the heathen, filled also the cup of iniquity, God brought up the kingdom of Babylon, and took all away. When Babylon had filled up the cup of its iniquity, the power was **transferred to Persia**. And **when the angel was turned away by the wickedness of the Persians, then the prince of Grecia comes in and sweeps it away.**" {1893 ATJ, CYMFC = The Columbian Year and the Meaning of the Four Centuries, An address delivered by Alonzo T. Jones, on Columbus Day 1892, p. 6.1}.
- After his death, Alexander's empire was eventually divided among his four generals: **Seleucus** (east), **Cassander** (west), **Lysimachus** (north), and **Ptolemy** (south). In time Lysimachus engulf Cassander's

kingdom, and then in one fell swoop, Selucius took all that Lysimachus had, and in so doing earned the title “king of the north.”

The Battle of Arbela

- “The **Battle of Gaugamela** took place in 331 BC between the Hellenic League, led by **Alexander the Great** of **Macedon** and the **Persians** led by **Darius III**. Also called the **Battle of Arbela**, it was a decisive victory for the Hellenic League and led to the fall of the Persian Empire.”—[Wikipedia.org](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Battle_of_Gaugamela)

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As chapter 11 is very long, and since we have already covered this leg of history quite extensively in Chapter 8, we encourage you to revisit those details in Lesson 9’s commentary, which are foundational for chapter 11.

- “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**.” Dan 8:8.**
- ** The “four winds of heaven” are a symbolic language for the four cardinal points of the compass: East, West, North. and South. Out of these four kings two will dominate and they will become the progenitors of the King of the North (KON) and the King of the South (KOS)

Fall of Persian & Rise of Greece

- “And upon Elam will I bring **the four winds** from the **four quarters of heaven**, and will scatter them toward all those winds; and there shall be no nation whither the outcasts of Elam shall not come.” Jer 49:36
- “(5) And the **king of the south {KOS}** shall be strong, and one of his princes; and he shall be strong above him, and have dominion; his dominion shall be a great dominion. (6) And **in the end of years** they shall join themselves together; for **the king’s daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north {KON} to make an agreement**: but she shall not retain the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be given up, and they that brought her, and he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in these times.” Dan. 11: 5, 6
- The **King of the North** (The Selucid Dynasty) and the **King of the South** (The Ptolemaic, and later Muslim/Arab Dynasty) are the kingdoms of prophecy for these last days. The point of reference being Judea with **Jerusalem** at its epicenter. The Jerusalem land holdings determined these two kings in the past, and it will remain true to the close of the chapter. To abandon Jerusalem from the prophecy, is to attempt opening a locked door without the proper **key**.

- “From this point on through much of the chapter, the prophecy focuses on **the two kingdoms** emerging from Alexander’s empire with which God’s people, the Jews, had most to do. These were Syria, ruled by the Seleucids [KON], and Egypt, ruled by the Ptolemies [KOS]. From the **geographical standpoint of Palestine**, the former was **north**, and the latter, **south**.” – *SDA Bible Commentary*, 1978, Vol. 4, p. 866
- “Seeing that no human being has lived on and on throughout these centuries, it is obvious that **the titles, "king of the south" and "king of the north," are applicable to two lines of rulers**. Seeing also that no government or kingdom has stood intact throughout the ages, it likewise is obvious that **these two lines have undergone many supersessions of sovereigns -- many regimes**. For this reason, the Bible differentiates them by their lineal-geographic titles.
- “It is now clear from the Scriptures that **the Grecian division south of the Mediterranean**, the Ptolemaic, first receives the title, "king of the south," whereas **the division north of the Mediterranean, the Lysimachian, first receives the title "king of the north."** In relation to the territories of these two lines of rulers, **the Mediterranean, therefore, becomes the point of compass** from which they must be reckoned.” – V.T. Houteff, 1941, Tract 12, pp. 61, 62

Prophecies of Syria and Egypt— **The Key!**

- “In 281 B.C., **Lysimachus added to his dominion** Cassander's; then in 279 B.C., **Seleucus defeated Lysimachus** and seized his kingdom, whereupon **the eastern, the northern, and the western divisions became one**, while Ptolemy held his own, the southern division. The Seleucid dynasty, therefore, ushered in the second northern regime, whereas the Ptolemaic dynasty continued to be the first southern regime.
- “To this point, the prophetic vision has been open to all, but from here on, it has remained closed though many have tried to open it. To open, without a key, a locked door, is, of course, to break the door. But, being unbreakable, **the locked door of Prophecy is impossible to open without The Key.**” –V.T. Houteff, 1941, Tract 12, pp. 61, 62
- “15 So **the king of the north** shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the most fenced cities: and the arms of **the south** shall not withstand, neither his [KOS's] chosen people, neither shall there be any strength to withstand. 16 But he [KON] that cometh against him [KOS] shall do according to his [KON] own will, and none shall stand before him [KON]: and he [KON] shall **stand in the glorious land**, which by his [KON] hand shall be consumed... 41 He [KON] shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his [KON's] hand, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon.” Dan. 11: 15, 16, 41
- “The simple and positive way **not to lose sight** of the identity of these two kings, is to let the pen of Prophecy trace on the map of history, **the successive rulers of Egypt and Palestine**. For the **titles of the kings** who conquered and who lost these ancient countries, **are chronicled in this prophetic chapter** to preserve the identity and to expose **the evil intents of both** the king of the south and the king of the north.
- “Remember now, to begin with, the king of the south rules the "glorious land," Palestine, along with Egypt, and the king of the north takes the glorious land twice (Dan. 11:16, 41). If he takes it twice, then he must have lost it once. Consequently, **both kings ruled it twice, and lost it twice**. But **the king of the north, the last to rule it rules it "in the time of the end,"** the time many run to and fro, and the time knowledge has increased (Dan. 12:4) -- **our time**. Mark this carefully, for **these transactions of the land provide the key to the identity of these kings from the time of Alexander's death to our time.**” –V.T. Houteff, 1941, Tract 12, pp. 62, 63
- **Lesson’s notes:** “Most Bible students understand the wars between the king of the North and the king of the South prophesied in Daniel 11:5-14 as referring to the many battles involving these two dynasties [KON & KOS]. According to the prophecy, an attempt would be made to unite these two dynasties by marriage, but that alliance would be short lived (Dan. 11:6). Historical sources inform us that Antiochus II Theos (261-246 B.C.) grandson of Seleucus I, married Berenice, a daughter of the Egyptian king, Ptolemy II Philadelphus.

However, **that agreement did not last**, and the conflict that directly involved the people of God soon resumed. Thus, **Daniel 11 deals with some important events that will touch the lives of God's people during the centuries after the prophet Daniel passes from the scene.**"

- "The angel emphatically declared that **the kings to rule Palestine, together with Egypt**, were to be as follows: **First**, the king of the south (Ptolemy); **second**, the king of the north (Pagan Rome); **third**, the king of the south (Turkey); and **fourth** the king of the north (England*)."—V.T. Houteff, 1941, Tract 12, pp. 64, 65

The Rise of Antiochus Epiphanes

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- The "daughter of women" Queen Cleopatra is known throughout history as an insatiably beautiful woman—she was the lady's lady, the queen of voluptuous pageantry, and romance, charming the hearts of the king and a great ruler in Rome. In the first triumvirate, she was wedded to Julius Caesar. After his assassination, Cleopatra was wedded to Mark Anthony, Octavius Augustus Caesar's rival. In time though, at the Battle of Actium, Mark Anthony sensing defeat committed suicide, and Cleopatra abandoned her navy and retreated to Egypt, where she also committed suicide with the deadly bite to one of her breasts, from an Egyptian viper. Having lost the battle with Rome, the KOS was left to heal his wound. It was this battle that placed Rome on the map as the triumphant KON! Having conquered the territories both north and south of the Holy Land, Rome for a while wore both titles KON and KOS, Rome was a super power nation! Almost 600 years later, a successor to the title KOS would eventually emerge through the house of Ishmael: the Arab/Muslim "prophet," Mohammed.

Pagan Rome and the Prince of the Covenant; Tuesday March 17

- "Then shall stand up in his [**king of the North's**] estate **a raiser of taxes** in the **glory** of the kingdom: but within few days he shall be destroyed, neither in anger, nor in battle." Dan. 11: 20
- "1 ¶ And it came to pass in those days, that there went out **a decree from Caesar Augustus**, that **all the world** should be **taxed**. 2 (And this **taxing** was first made when Cyrenius was governor of Syria.) 3 And all went **to be taxed**, every one into his own city. 4 And Joseph also went up from Galilee... with Mary his espoused wife, **being great with child**. 6 And so it was, that, while they were there, the days were accomplished that she should be delivered. 7 And she brought forth her firstborn son, and wrapped him in swaddling clothes, and laid him in a manger; because there was no room for them in the inn." Luke 2: 1-7
- "37 After this man rose up Judas of Galilee in **the days of the taxing**, and drew away much people after him: he also perished; and all, even as many as obeyed him, were dispersed." Acts. 5: 34-37

- When Rome rose to her “glory” she started exerting her international sway on all provinces within her political realm, thus she required of her kingdoms to pay taxes to the crown. The first wave of this taxation occurred at the time of the birth of Messiah.
- The fact also that Inspiration stated in the “glory” of the kingdom, prefigures that this “glory” shall wane, thus this period continued until 476 AD when indeed, the glory of the Pagan Roman Empire came to an end, and Ecclesiastical (Christianized) Rome began to rise to prominence. In 538 AD, Rome took on a decidedly Christian appearance, as the Ostrogoths, Vandals, and Heruli powers of Europe were supplanted by the Papacy, see Dan 7:8, 20. The title “king of the north” was now worn by the Roman Empire—both Pagan and Papal.
- Octavian Augustus died a natural death in 14 AD, “neither in anger nor in battle,” and was succeeded by Tiberius Caesar.
- Since Caesar Augustus, a Roman, has been credited by both sacred and secular history as the world’s renowned raiser of taxes, it is clear that verse 20 brings us to the inflection point of the Old Testament period vs. the New Testament period, moving from the period of the Jewish church to that of the Jewish-Christian church.
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- From the Bible dictionary we read: “Augustus—The cognomen of the first Roman emperor, C. Julius Caesar Octavianus, **during whose reign Christ was born** Lu 2:1. His decree that "all the world should be taxed" was

the **divinely ordered occasion of Jesus' being born...** Before his death (A.D. 14) he associated Tiberius with him in the empire (Lu 3:1) by whom **he was succeeded.**"—*Easton's Revised Bible Dictionary*, p. 364.

- "Augustus was convinced that **belief in the old gods** had made Rome great so he set out to encourage his subjects to **return to the worship of these gods**. He restored eighty-two temples in Rome alone! He became the **pontifex maximus*** (highest priest) in the state cult."-- <http://formerthings.com>
- *This title, **pontifex maximus**, would later be worn by the Pope of Rome, showing the close link with the Pagan Roman Empire and its "Christianized," Papal counterpart.
- "The **Pontifex Maximus** (which literally means "Greatest Pontiff") was the high priest of the Ancient Roman College of Pontiffs. This was the most important position in the ancient Roman religion, open only to patricians until 254 B.C.E... The title of "Pontifex Maximus," ... was eventually **adopted by the leader of the Roman Catholic Church**. The terms *pontifex maximus* and *summus pontifex* were for centuries used by **the Bishop of Rome also known as the pope**. After Christ himself, the pope is considered to be **the "high priest"** (the veritable meaning of *summus pontifex* and "pontifex maximus").— [New World Encyclopedia](#)

Papal Rome, The Next Power-I; [Wednesday March 18](#)

- "And **in his estate** shall stand up a **vile person**, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but **he shall come in peaceably**, and **obtain** the kingdom **by flatteries.**" Dan. 11: 21.*
 - This marks the rise of the papal leaders—the system of popery, which though not given "the honour of the kingdom" did gain political and spiritual momentum through the arm of the church, and thereby "peaceably" obtained the kingdom by "flatteries"-- slipperiness, fine promises, or smoothness. In this manner has the Papacy risen to prominence, in stealth and "fine promises," stealing the vital Truths from the word of God and hiding them from the common people. He masquerades himself of Christ's viceroy, and through this form of trickery and deception, the KON was able to bully the Church into submission, during which time he destroyed many! To this Daniel has much to say, as we have previously seen in chapter 8:
- "23 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, [**"a vile person"**] shall stand up. 24 And his power shall be mighty, but **not by his own power**: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and **shall destroy the mighty and the holy people**. 25 And through his policy also he shall cause craft [deceptions and disguises] to prosper in his hand; and **he shall magnify himself in his heart**, and by peace ["peaceably"] shall destroy many: he shall also **stand up against the Prince of princes**; but he shall be broken without hand." Dan. 8: 23-25
- **Lesson Notes:** "Also, according to the prophecy this ruler will be succeeded by a "vile person" ([Dan. 11:21](#)). As history shows, Augustus was succeeded by **Tiberius**, an adoptive son of Augustus. Tiberius is known to have been an eccentric and vile person."*
 - While the historical Adventist position has held that the "vile person" is Tiberius Caesar, we ought to be more discerning in our understanding, and correct errors where they had no light. We have done this with their Arian doctrine of the Godhead, for example, among other errant views, and knowing that there is more light to be shone on the Book of Daniel and Revelation, we were admonished by Sister White accordingly:
- "Those who eat the flesh and drink the blood of the Son of God will bring **from the books of Daniel and Revelation** truth that is inspired by the Holy Spirit. They will start into action forces that cannot be

repressed. The lips of children will be opened to proclaim the **mysteries that have been hidden from the minds of men.**" {TM 116.1}

- "Study Revelation in connection with Daniel, for history will be repeated. . . . **We, with all our religious advantages, ought to know far more today than we do know.**" {TM 116.3}
- "And with the arms of a flood [fortified armies] shall they [his enemies] be overflowed from before him [KON], and **shall be broken**; yea, also **the prince of the covenant.**" Dan. 11: 22.*
- Verse 22 in the [International Standard Version](#): "Overwhelming forces will be carried away before him, along with the Commander-in-Chief of the covenant."
 - Here is shown the break-up of the Western Roman Empire at the hands of the barbarian hordes which swept down and, as a flood, overflowed it. The breaking of the Prince bespeaks the crucifixion of Jesus Christ (Messiah the Prince) under the Pagan Roman Empire.
- With the Western Imperial Power of Rome now completely "overrun," to continue her sovereignty, Rome transferred all her civil authority to the Church, who finally held sway over the empire and wore the triple crown from 538 AD to 1798 AD. This marks the second chapter in the life of the Roman Empire—the rise of Papal Rome, or "The Holy Roman Empire."
- In presenting the vision, Inspiration has also told us that not only will the kingdom—Roman Empire— be broken, but "also **the prince of the covenant.**" Dan. 11: 22. This verse stretches therefore, from the crucifixion of Christ—the breaking of "the prince of the covenant"— through to the fall of Pagan Rome. This prophecy was also mentioned in Daniel 9: 26.
- "And after threescore and two weeks shall **Messiah be cut off**, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary." Dan. 9: 26**
- ** The cutting off of Messiah here mentioned is equivalent to the breaking "also of the prince of the covenant."—the crucifixion of Messiah. Yahshua (Christ) being the foundation of "the covenant," he rightly bears the title "Prince of the Covenant" and throughout the book of Daniel, he is thus identified. This passage also helps to confirm that the Papacy is an Anti-Christ system from its very inception—as it opposes and exalts itself above Christ! Read 2 Thess. 2: 2-7.
- "When emperor Diocletian came to power in the late 3rd century CE, he... divided the empire into a tetrarchy with one capital, Rome, in the west and another, Nicomedia, in the east... Over time the city of Rome fell into disarray and **susceptible to invasion**, eventually falling in 476 CE. **The province of Egypt remained part of the Roman/Byzantine Empire until the 7th century when it came under Arab control.**"--
www.ancient.eu
- "25 And he [KON] shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he [KON] shall not stand: for they shall forecast devices against him [KON]. 26 Yea, they [KON's allies] that feed of the portion of his [KON's] meat, **shall destroy him** [KON—Rev. 13: 3], and his [KON] army shall **overflow**: and many shall **fall down slain**... 28 Then [being defeated] shall he [KON] return into his land **with great riches**; and his [KON's] heart shall be **against the holy covenant**; and he [KON] shall do exploits, and return to **his own land**. 29 At **the time appointed** he [KON] shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter. 30 For the ships of Chittim shall come against him [KON] : therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have **indignation against the holy covenant**: so shall he [KON] do; he shall even return, and have **intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.** " Dan. 11:25, 26, 28-30.*
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- "As the "he" of Dan. 11:29 returns at the appointed time and comes toward the south, "he" is therefore the king of the north gone down for another battle. These are the particulars which history confirms, and thus it is seen that the bracketed identification of the pronouns is correct."---V.T. Houteff, 1941, Tract 12, pp. 75, 76
- "The western incursion of the Mohammedans began "in 639 A.D.," when they "invaded the country, and Egypt became a Mohammedan province." -- *The New Student's Reference Book*.
- "Thus, **following the Ptolemies, the Mohammedans, whose rule was the second southern regime, came into the title, "king of the south**. By 814 A.D., Rome (the king of the north) had already ceded Egypt and Palestine to the Mohammedans (to the king of the south). **Conscience-dominating Christianity from the north, and conscience-dominating Mohammedanism from the south**, have ever since been **in territorial and religious conflict**. And whichever one took a slice of the other's dominion, he forced, upon **penalty of death for nonconformity**, his religious beliefs upon his captives."--V.T. Houteff, 1941, Tract 12, p. 77
- "And **both these kings'** [KON & KOS] hearts shall be to **do mischief**, and they shall **speak lies at one table**; but it **shall not prosper**: for yet **the end shall be at the time appointed**." Dan. 11:27.
- "The one table at which both kings speak, is, of course, figurative; that is, Ecclesiastical Rome declared to their captives that **the Roman religion was foreshadowed by the angel Gabriel's announcement to Mary** that she was to bear a son the Saviour of the world; **likewise Mohammedanism** next declared to **the same people (at the same table)**, when they became their captives, that **the angel Gabriel appeared to Mohammed and gave him the religion which all the people of the earth must have**."-- V.T. Houteff, 1941, Tract 12, p. 78
- "Though Rome's declaration as to just what Gabriel said to Mary, is founded in fact, Rome's actual religion, merely coated with Christianity, was not the religion of the One Whose birth Gabriel forespoke. As to Mohammed's receiving his religion from Gabriel, **he never did**. **Thus, both the Mohammedanized pashas and the Christianized lords [Popes], were speaking lies at one table---the people's**. But these "shall not prosper," declared the angel, "for yet the end shall be at the time appointed"; that is, **their false religions will come to an end at an appointed time***: they will not endure forever."--V.T. Houteff, 1941, Tract 12, p. 78; [added].
- This "appointed time" is at the Loud Cry of the Third Angel's message, **the antitypical Pentecost** of today, calling all God's people out of Babylon and into the pre-Advent kingdom of His glory and grace, as foretold in Rev. 18: 1-5.

Papal Rome, The Next Power-II

- "Then shall he [KON] return into his land **with great riches***; and his heart shall be **against the holy covenant**; and he shall **do exploits**, and return to his own land." Dan. 11:28.*
- *Since the KON was defeated yet returned "into his land **with great riches**," demonstrated that he obtained his wealth through other means than from the booty of war! For in that war from which he made a retreat he was roundly defeated! Therefore, his wealth came from others whom, through trickery, he was able to court into his parlor! And who were they, but the Christian leaders of the early middle ages, whose

doctrinal and spiritual compromises paved the way for “the man of sin” to sit as vicegerent in the Church of God, exposing the entire body of believers, save for the Waldenses, to pay homage to the Roman Catholic Papacy!

- The king of the north's having intelligence **only** with those who did "forsake the holy covenant," clears two points: first that **all did not forsake the “covenant” inclusive of Sabbath and festivals of worship**; second, that the small people with whom he became strong, were not the faithful followers of Christ, but the unfaithful ones, those who apostatized from the faith once delivered unto the Saints.
- “Seeing the necessity of compromising with the heathen in order to make an easy prey of them, **the king of the north therefore set his heart against the "holy covenant,"** (Dan. 11:28, 30, 32) that is, **he dropped from the Christian's creed the Sabbath of creation** (Ex. 20:8-11), which the Lord "blessed and hallowed" as a memorial of His works, "a perpetual covenant." Ex. 31:16, 17.”--V.T. Houteff, 1941, Tract 12, p. 79, 80.
- In the blazing light of history, we are now seeing that Rome’s vexation against “the holy covenant” was not simply against the Sabbath, but against the entire system of statutes and laws given by God to Moses, thus she declares through Cardinal Enright:
- **"The Catholic Church abolished not only the Sabbath, but all the other Jewish festivals."**--- T. Enright C.S.S.R., Bishop of the St. Alphonsus' (Rock) Church, St. Louis, Missouri, June 1905.
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- “For pass over **the isles of Chittim**, and see; and send unto Kedar, and consider diligently, and see if there be such a thing.” Jer. 2: 10
- Ships of Chittim, in v. 30: Ships in warfare indicate a maritime naval conflict. Chittim (Kittim) is the island of Cyprus today, positioned south of Turkey and west of Syria, in the midst of the Mediterranean sea. The ships were not coming from just one Island, but from the islands of Kittim, as also recorded in Jer. 2: 10. Therefore, these “ships” from Kittim are the hordes from the Saracen Warriors of the Mediterranean region, wreaking havoc on the Roman empire, and these were all of a Muslim bent. Hence, the battle lines are clearly drawn, showing who the KON and KOS are. At this stage, the KON is clearly ruled by Papal Rome, having transferred power from her Pagan counterpart, while the KOS is the Mohammedan nations of the Mediterranean, with central power in Turkey.
- The KON’s being “grieved” shows that he came out as the loser against the KOS, and having lost face and territory, he was left to expand his dominion by taking over the Christian lands of Europe and Asia! How? Through **“indignation against [God’s] holy covenant!”** We should, therefore, see a development of history in which the entire Law of God is set up for grabs, so to speak, and the power who engineers that scheme is

unambiguously identified as the KON. In the interest of time and space, it is sufficient that remind you to re-study our presentations on Daniel 7: 25 and 8: 23-26 in Lesson's 8 and 9, to see the stealthy operations of the Roman Catholic Papacy, in oppressing the true people of God for 1260 years.

- Having championed the cause of **antinomianism** (defiance against the law of God), the KON developed “**intelligence** with them (the antinomians) that **forsake the holy covenant**.” This “intelligence” gathering would later be known through Church history as the inquisition. The very word “inquisition” comes from one who “inquires,” “investigates,” or otherwise “pries into secrets” of others, be they men or nations! These are the very seeds of the Jesuit Order founded by Ignatius of Loyola.
- To “pollute the Sanctuary of strength,” shows that this is the place of true worship that is being trampled under the feet of Rome. Thus, the Church of God was polluted through the imposition of priest-craft and state-craft (church and state), to the extent that the very liturgy of the church was radically changed! Then it was that all of God’s appointed times ceased! Through the Prophet Hosea, we read this woeful account of the results of that apostasy:
- “11 I will also cause all her [**the sanctuary of strength**] mirth to cease, her **feast days**, her **new moons**, and her **Sabbaths**, and **all her solemn feasts**.” Hos. 2: 11
- “Your note was forwarded to me here where I reside at present. ...I still offer \$1,000 to any one who can prove to me, from the Bible alone, that I am bound under pain of grievous sin to keep Sunday holy. We keep Sunday in obedience to the law of the Catholic Church. The Church made this law long after the Bible was written; hence the law is not in the Bible. **The Catholic Church abolished not only the Sabbath, but all the Jewish Festivals.** Those who deny the authority of the Catholic Church and obey only the Bible must *answer correctly the following*: 1. Where does the Bible teach that we must keep Sunday holy; 2. Where does it teach that we must keep Sunday once a week and not once a year like Christmas; 3. Where does it teach that we must keep Easter always on the 1st Sunday after the full moon of the Vernal Equinox; 4. **In Lev 23 you find 7 holy days** binding as strictly as the Sabbath. **Where does the Bible say that they are abolished?** ... ***Here also you obey the Catholic Church and not the Bible.***” T. Enright CSSR. The Mission Church of the Most Holy Redeemer, Detroit, Michigan, *Letter*, April 26, 1902. [Italics and emphasis added.]
- ***The Daily** Sacrifice: H08548, *tamiyd*, pronounced, ‘taw-meed’, and carries these various renderings from **Strong’s Concordance**: “continually, continual, daily, always, perpetual, and evermore,” among others, and is used in the KJV at least 104times. This is used exclusively with the ministration of the Levitical priestly ministry in and around the Sanctuary, and it is on this basis that the word must be understood. Thus, something that was created by God, and intended to be “perpetual” or “continual,” among his people, and also associated with his “appointed times” has been tampered with by this little horn power of prophecy. The only such thing is our “worship” to YHWH, *the “times and seasons” in His word and on His calendar, when he has his office hours opened to His saints!* We learn from Dan. 7:25 that the worship “times and laws” would be tampered with by the “little horn” of that chapter! Chapter 8 is now expanding on that event to show us what has actually been tampered with by Rome! It is without surprise that the tampering has had to do with his “times and laws”—thus the whole system of worship advocated by God under Moses, has been supplanted—
- **The daily worship services**, in their three appointed seasons (that’s why Daniel **prayed three times per day** as recorded in Ps. 55: 17), the weekly worship services—the Sabbath, the monthly worship services—the new moons, and the annual (yearly) worship services—the “appointed times,” commonly known today as “the feast days!” Hence, the whole system of true worship handed from God to Adam, and from Adam to all humanity has been tampered with by this “little horn” power of prophecy, today’s Roman Catholic church—the Papacy! Does Rome take credit for tampering with all these Divinely-appointed statutes? Let the record of history bear witness to these claims:
- “24 He [KON] shall **enter peaceably** even upon the **fattest places** of the province; and he shall **do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers’ fathers**... And such as do **wickedly against the covenant** shall he [KON] **corrupt by flatteries**: but ***the people that do know their God shall be strong***, and do

exploits. 36 And the king [KON] shall do according to his will; and he shall **exalt himself**, and **magnify himself above every god**, and shall speak marvellous things **against the God of gods**, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for **that that is determined** shall be done. 37 **Neither** shall he **regard the God of his fathers**, nor **the desire of women**, nor **regard any god**: for he shall **magnify himself above all**. 38 But in his estate shall he **honour the God of forces** [God of Might]: and **a god whom his fathers knew not** [v. 24] shall **he honour** with **gold**, and **silver**, and with **precious stones**, and **pleasant things**. 39 Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with **a strange god** [v. 24,38], whom he shall acknowledge and **increase with glory**: and he shall **cause them to rule over many**, and shall **divide the land for gain**.” Dan. 11: 24, 32.

- The KON is to do that which his forefathers had not done. When we combine verses 14, 36, and 39, it becomes most evident that the KON is to change his religion, by adopting a new Deity for worship! No longer would the Romans worship the pantheon of Rome, but the likeness of the God and saints (the hosts) of Heaven, the Christian’s God, the “mighty Fortress [Who] is our God!”
- “The people that do know their God,” are the genuine converted Christians—followers of Messiah, being obedient to all his statutes, judgments, and commandments. They became “strong” through the preaching of the Word, and did weaken Papal influence and dogma upon the old and new converts to the faith. In v. 36, we see the direct replica of the career of the little-big horn of chapter’s 7&8.
- “He shall **cause them to rule over many**.” This is the birth of Slavery, indicating that the slave trade earned its ingenuity from the Roman Catholic Papacy! Thus the prophecy brings us deep into the Christian era, even to the times of the Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade from Africa to the Western world! This system was initially birthed from the Feudal system.
- He “shall **divide the land for gain**.” The dividing of the land, introduces the Feudal System, a system of fives, serfs and Lords, in which peasants worked the fife to enrich the serf, who pressured, the peasants that he may feed the Lord, who was pressured by the Pope to whom all the land belonged! Thus, the “peasants” were enslaved to serve the greed of the Roman Pontiff. This idea was passed on to England when the English Catholic [Anglican] Church broke off from the Roman Catholic Church over the divorce of King Henry 8th with **Catherine of Aragon**. The British were now ready to carry on what they had learnt from the Papacy, and **the slaves in the dominated countries only worked to finance the financial and political ambitions of the Crown of England**. This form of slavery is what has turned the Europeans to enslave other nations, **including an untold number of Africans, many of whom died during the “middle passage,” of the trans-Atlantic Slave Trade**.
- So large was the Roman Pontiff that he arrogated to himself all the titles of Deity, as he “**magnified himself above every god**,” even “**against the God of gods**”—YHWH!
- We also see that this Papal institution was to dis-regard “**the desire of women**,” the desire to get married and have a home, a family, instead of being locked away in a convent to become the sex slave of the preying priests! In recent times much has been said about the “whore house” that is operated under the watchful eye of the Papacy. This whore house is not exclusive to women, but children of both genders, as well! This spotlight of prophecy herein shown, shines in blazing luminescence upon the Roman Catholic Papacy!
- “Augustus was convinced that **belief in the old gods** had made Rome great so he set out to encourage his subjects to **return to the worship of these gods**. He restored eighty-two temples in Rome alone! He became the **pontifex maximus** (highest priest) in the state cult.” formerthings.com
- “The first extensive shipment of black Africans to make good the shortage of native slaves, what would later become known as **the Transatlantic slave trade**, was initiated at **the request of Bishop Las Casas** and authorised by Charles V in 1517 ... **No Papal condemnation of Transatlantic slave trade was made at the time**...

- “**Catholic missionaries** such as **the Jesuits**, who also **owned slaves**, worked to alleviate the suffering of Native American slaves in the New World... **Capuchin missionaries were excommunicated for calling for the emancipation of black slaves in the Americas.**”-- <http://en.wikipedia.org>
- “34 Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with **a little help**: but many shall **cleave to them with flatteries**. 35 And **some of them of understanding shall fall**, to try them, and to purge, and to **make them white**, even to **the time of the end**: because it is yet for **a time appointed.**” Dan. 11: 34, 35*
- “Them of understanding:” Were the Christian Reformers and great leaders of the ages. The “little help” they received was the relief afforded them under the Protestant Reformation. “But,” we are told, they’d have deceitful company—those who externally appeared to be genuine to their cause, who were Charlatans to the faith, they cleaved “to the Protestants with flatteries,” suggesting that they were also enemies of Rome, when in reality they were gaining “intelligence” from the Christians and passing it directly to the papacy! This intelligence-gathering scheme would come to its apotheosis in the murderous onslaught known as the St. Bartholomew’s Massacre! These stealthy, crafty “Christians,” were in reality the early Jesuits who launched the Counter Reformation, to blunt the force of the Protestants, and cede them back under Rome’s authority! That struggle lasted for 500 years, till October 31, 2017, when the Protestant world declared, “the Protest is over!”
- In it all, the saints were to have fallen, tried, purged, and made white in the blood of the Lamb, till “the time appointed,”—the opening of the investigative judgment on October 22, 1844, in “the time of the end!”

Final Events; Thursday March 19

- “40 And **at the time of the end** shall **the king of the south** push at him [KON]: and the king of the north shall come against him [KOS] like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he [KON] shall enter into the countries, and shall **overflow** and **pass over.**” Dan. 11: 40, KJV*
 - The preposition “at” demonstrates that rather than being “during” the time of the end, we are to find this “pushing” at its very opening salvos! With this fact in mind, we are guided with the knowledge that a conflict will ensue between these two raging firebrands (titans), but the aggressor “at” that time will have been the KOS. Jesus described for us the scenes that should earmark the time of the end in Matt. 24: 29-31, and it started with the tapering off of the persecutions during the “great tribulation”—1260 years, when the sun would be darkened (May 19, 1780), the moon turning to blood that night (May 20, 1780), and the falling of the stars in the great Meteoric shower of Nov. 12-13, 1833. Therefore, prior to this time, the 18th Century, we should see the Mohammedan power of Europe and Asia, push against the Catholic power of Europe, whereupon the Mohammedan power will lose significant territory to the KON.
- “The capital of Austria is historic [Vienna](http://www.britannica.com) (Wien), the **former seat of the Holy Roman Empire** and a city renowned for its architecture.”-- www.britannica.com
- “**The Holy League** of 1511, organized by Pope [Julius II](http://www.britannica.com), was directed against Charles VIII’s successor, [Louis XII](http://www.britannica.com). Spain, Venice, the **Holy Roman Empire**, **England****, and the Swiss had all joined the anti-French coalition by spring of 1512 and drove the French out of Milan in May. ” www.britannica.com
- ** Here we see that the title King of the North was, in 1699, “at” the time of the end” transferred from the Holy Roman Empire to the British Empire—England.

The Vatican’s Connection to Austria & England

- “In the late summer of 1697, the Ottoman sultan [Mustafa II](http://www.britannica.com) led **one last large** expedition **northward** but was defeated decisively by Prince [Eugene of Savoy](http://www.britannica.com) at the Battle of Zenta (September 11). Thus **defeated by the**

Austrians ... For the first time the Turks agreed to negotiate with a coalition of **European nations**, to accept mediation by neutral powers, and to **admit defeat**. On Jan. 26, 1699, the **Ottoman Empire** signed peace treaties with **Austria, Poland, and Venice.**" -- www.britannica.com *

- On Jan. 26, 1699 the **Treaty of Carlowitz** was ratified.
- Prior to and after World War I, Edom, Moab, and the chief children of Ammon (those of the Trans-Jordan) came under the mandate of Great Britain. The Word, however, says they "shall escape out of his hand," showing that though he then had them (as a result of World War-1), he was to lose them. At the present moment (2020), all these countries have earned their independence from British colonialism, and are ruling their own sovereign states, with strong diplomatic relations with the United States of America. These territories, though, are the centers of political troubles for the USA and her allies, and form the cradle of modern Islamic terrorism!
- The Glorious land = the Pleasant Land, the land of Canaan: "24 Yea, they despised **the pleasant land**, they believed not his word: 25 But murmured in their tents, and hearkened not unto the voice of the LORD. 26 Therefore he lifted up his hand against them, to **overthrow them in the wilderness:**" Ps. 106: 24-26
- This is not somewhere in heaven, but very much here on earth. This entire long running prophecy is about political events transacting on earth, from ancient Persia to the rise and fall of the Great Unites States of America.
- "41 He shall **enter also into the glorious land**, and **many countries shall be overthrown**: but **these shall escape out of his hand**, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon. 42 He shall stretch forth his hand also **upon the countries**: and **the land of Egypt shall not escape.**" Dan. 11: 41, 42**

Territories lost by the Ottoman Empire In The Middle East before World War I



England's Sunset and the Rise of the USA

- "43 But he [KON} shall **have power over the treasures of gold and of silver**, and **over all the precious things of Egypt**: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps." Dan. 11: 43*
 - Another identifying feature of this new KON is that he is to have control over the world's monetary supply. Prior to World War II, the British Pound Sterling was the international currency of trade, but after taking on significant debts to the USA, the Sterling gave way to the Dollar, and for the past

seven decades and counting, the US dollar has been the currency of trade, in harmony with Rev. 13: 11-18, that the two-horned beast will enforce international monetary policies and worship, compelling all, both rich and poor nations and peoples to comply with this new worship and fiscal policy. With the outbreak of the new (Novel) Coronavirus, and the reality that the virus can live for up to three days on currency, we have seen changes in international monetary policies, which could inspire the drive towards a totally cashless world, as it now is in Sweden! Such a move could be one of the last frontiers to be conquered, in order to electronically manage all that we buy and sell, in preparation for the dreaded “mark of the beast” system!

- "Until 1915, when **England declared Turkish suzerainty at an end** and established a protectorate, **Egypt was nominally a Turkish dependency**. But since 1883, following Arabi Pasha's rebellion, **Egypt had been practically ruled by Great Britain under a consul-general**."---*The New Student's Reference Book*.

How the U.S. Dollar Became the World's Reserve Currency

- “**In 1944**, delegates from 44 Allied countries met in Bretton Wood, New Hampshire, to come up with a system to manage foreign exchange... It was decided that **the world’s currencies couldn’t be linked to gold, but they could be linked to the U.S. dollar**, which was linked to gold...
- “**As a result of the Bretton Woods Agreement, the U.S dollar was officially crowned the world’s reserve currency, backed by the world’s largest gold reserves**. Instead of gold reserves, other countries accumulated reserves of U.S. dollars.”-- www.investopedia.com, March 20, 2020.
- “44 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him [KON]: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.” Dan. 11: 44.

- “The period after the end of the Second World War saw the emergence of the United States as the pre-eminent **military** and **economic** power in the world.



- Every part of the world came under the purview of US interests.
- The US also viewed herself as a great “moral force” in the world. Many Americans liked to think that the period in which they were living could quite legitimately be described as the “American Century”.
- **With the collapse of the Soviet Union, the US became the only superpower in the world.**” -- <http://www.historydiscussion.net>
- “When the Second World War broke out, **the US announced her neutrality**. Since the beginning of the aggressions by fascist powers, the US had followed a policy similar to that of Britain and France...
- The US had protested against the Japanese aggression in China but did nothing to prevent it...

- **“Britain was allowed to buy arms** on what is known as the cash-and-carry basis from the US. Gradually, **the US support to Britain grew**. By early 1941, **the British were in no position to pay for the arms** and other goods for which they were **heavily dependent on the US**.
- In March 1941, the US Congress passed a law ... known as the “lend-lease” system, and **Britain began to receive massive supplies from the US**... In November 1941, the US “lend-lease” system was **extended to the Soviet Union.**” <http://www.historydiscussion.net>

Attack on Pearl Harbor:

- “In July 1941, **the Japanese had occupied Vietnam in Indo-China**. In October, an even **more aggressive government** came to power in Japan... The Japanese made preparations for launching **another act of aggression, this time in the Pacific**. On 7 December 1941, **the Japanese bombers attacked the US naval base at Pearl Harbor in Hawaii**... [“Tidings from the EAST”].
- “In the bombing, **188 aircraft and many battleships, cruisers and other naval vessels of the US were destroyed and over 2,000 sailors and soldiers killed**. The Japanese losses were minor. **On 8 December, the US declared war on Japan. On 11 December, Germany and Italy declared war on the US and the US declared war on Germany and Italy.**” [“Tidings from the NORTH”]. -- <http://www.historydiscussion.net>

- “45 And he [KON] shall **plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.***

- *The fact that “none” shall help the KON, is indicative that he is to fall and won’t have the support of his allies! Tragedy of tragedies! Great nations have always fallen when they were at the peak of their economic greatness and military might, and the same sad fate awaits the greatest civilization known to man! National apostasy will result in national ruin, for this country will trample on the rights of conscience—the legacy and joy of her founding that has made her the pride and envy of the world! She, in alliance with the Papacy and Evangelical Christianity, will unleash upon the true worshipers of God, such cruel treatment for obeying all the commandments, statutes, and judgments of YHWH, in an effort to exterminate them from the earth! It is at this time that Michael (Jesus Christ or Y’shuah the Messiah) will stand up to deliver his tried and waiting saints. We will discuss in next week’s lesson the specifics of this coming of Christ. Suffice it to say that this is NOT His Second Coming to relocate His church from the earth to the mansions above! Stay tuned...



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- 1 ¶ And **at that time** shall **Michael** stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and **there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to [not from] that same time**: and **at that time** thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.” Dan., 11: 45 – 12: 1

Plant the Tabernacles of his Palace

- [CNBC News](#), May 17, 2018: The United States received intense international criticism on Monday when it celebrated **the opening of its embassy in Jerusalem**. It was **the first country to make the “provocative” move from Tel Aviv**. But on Wednesday, Guatemala joined the U.S. in moving its embassy to Jerusalem. **More countries are preparing to make the leap...** Monday [May 14th, 2018] also marked **the 70th anniversary of Israel’s founding...**
- Some evangelicals believe the transfer of the embassy and the recognition of Jerusalem as Israel’s capital will help **bring about the so-called Rapture...** **Evangelical Christians supported Trump’s decision** to relocate the U.S. embassy, [according to CNN](#).

In The Glorious Holy Mountain

- “And they shall bring all your brethren for an offering unto the LORD out of all nations upon horses, and in chariots, and in litters, and upon mules, and upon swift beasts, to **my holy mountain Jerusalem**, saith the LORD, as the children of Israel bring an offering in a clean vessel into the house of the LORD.” Isa. 66:20
- “16 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**.” Dan. 9: 16
- “So shall ye know that I am the LORD your God **dwelling in Zion, my holy mountain**: then shall **Jerusalem** be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.” Joel 3:17
- We started out knowing from the Bible that glorious (Pleasant) land is Palestine, and that the “holy mountain” is Jerusalem. For God’s “holy mountain” to be in the “Glorious” land, there must be something “glorious” about the mountain, hence its prophetic name the “Glorious” Holy Mountain! If we strain reason and start looking in the heavens for this mountain, when God says it is on earth, we are purposefully confusing ourselves in an attempt to lose our way, all because of the reality that the literal sense of the word presents! If the authors of the SS Lesson took it to its logical Biblical conclusion they would conclude as the lesson title so ably states, “From and South TO the Beautiful Land” of Palestine! Lacking the spiritual foresight or insight to see that all these vents are on earth, we read these lines in Thursday’s lesson:
- “**After the Cross**, God’s people are no longer defined along ethnic and geographical lines. Therefore, **the holy mountain must be a symbolic designation of God’s people** spread throughout the world.
- “So, **perhaps**, we can interpret events like this:
- “(1) The king of the South attacks the king of the North: the French Revolution attempted to eradicate religion and defeat the papacy but failed. (2) The king of the North attacks and defeats the king of the South: the forces of religion headed by the papacy and its allies will eventually overcome the forces of atheism and will form a coalition with the defeated enemy. (3) Edom, Moab, and the prominent people of Ammon will escape: some of those not counted among God’s true people will join the fold in the last hour. (4) The king of the North prepares to attack the holy mountain but comes to his end: the forces of evil are destroyed, and **God’s kingdom is established**.”—*Adult SS Lesson, Thursday, March 19.*
- “It is at this point that the words from Elder Joseph Wolff rings true:
- “Concerning the popular system of interpreting, or misinterpreting, the Scriptures, Wolff wrote: “The greater part of the Christian church **have swerved from the plain sense of Scripture**, and have turned to the phantomizing system of the Buddhists, who believe that the future happiness of mankind will consist in moving about in the air, and suppose that **when they are reading Jews they must understand Gentiles**; and **when they read Jerusalem, they must understand the church**; and if it is said earth, it means sky; and for

coming of the Lord they must understand the progress of the missionary societies; and **going up to the mountain of the Lord's house, signifies a grand class meeting of Methodists.**" --Journal of the Rev. Joseph Wolff, page 96." {EGW, GC 360.1}

- The only truthful line in the above citation from the quarterly is this: "The king of the North prepares to attack the holy mountain but comes to his end: the forces of evil are destroyed, and **God's kingdom is established.**" This kingdom is established WHEN Michael stands up, and as we will discover in the next lesson, this standing up of Michael to "deliver" his saints from the time of trouble is *not* the Second coming of Christ. But they must be delivered from some hostile location and secured in a safe location—the location called "the beautiful land." To learn more about this truth, visit our web page at this link: <https://sdaprophecies.com/2018/02/17/the-king-of-the-north-unveiled/>
- Although the writers gave the indication that "**God's kingdom is established,**" implies the Second Coming, yet they did not openly express that thought, for they knew it is not there. It is also of great interest that the phrase "Second Coming" of Christ appears nowhere in Lesson 12! Why? You be the judge.
- Daniel was not confused about the centrality of the Cross in the consummation of all things, yet he told us repeatedly that the Pleasant/Glorious Land is Palestine, and the Holy Mountain is Jerusalem in Palestine! For our theologians to so deliberately twist the Scriptures to force them into another context, will never allow us to arrive at the pure unadulterated truth as announced by the Angel to Daniel. We are not at liberty to change the language of Scripture, but must be faithful to "every word" that proceeds from the mouth of God. This is especially true of Daniel 11, for all of these words were Gabriel's dictation to him—the direct words from Heaven!

Thought Questions:

I will forego the questions here, as this lesson is sufficiently long, but encourage each reader to study and restudy the material herein presented.

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