HISTORY Whose Is It?

Daniel 8

- 1. God gives **promises** and **fulfills** them with **prophecies** which come to pass through **history**. (Joshua 23:15, Isaiah 53:1-6, John 12:37-50, Luke 11:29-32, Jeremiah 25:11-12)
- 2. There is not <u>secular</u> history and <u>Biblical</u> history. There is <u>one</u> history and <u>God</u> is in it <u>all</u>. (Jeremiah 23:23-24, Colossians 1:16-17, Psalm 46, Deuteronomy 31:8)
- 3. If <u>historians</u> accept that Daniel <u>prophesied</u> the <u>exact</u> details of the <u>Greek</u> conquest of the Medo-Persian empire years before it happened, they would have to accept the fact that the Bible is a <u>supernatural book</u>.
- 4. God used the <u>Greek</u> influence in culture and <u>language</u> to prepare the way for the <u>gospel</u>. (1 Corinthians 14:9, 1 Chronicles 22:12, Job 32:8, Psalm 111:10, Psalm 119:32, Acts 8:31)
 - https://biblearchaeology.org/research/the-daniel-9-24-27-project/4362-understanding-the-2-300-evenings-and-mornings-of-daniel-8-14
- 5. God will **fulfill prophecy** in His **way** and in His **time**. (Psalm 27:14, Psalm 31:15, Habakkuk 2:3, Ecclesiastes 3:1)
- 6. As <u>God's</u> people, we do not need to fear the <u>Antichrist</u>. (1 Thessalonians 4:13-17, Luke 17:34-37, John 14:3, Luke 10:20, Matthew 24:30-31, 1 Corinthians 15:51-53)

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1.	Looking back at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2.	Looking at both Daniel chapter 7 and 8, what is the purpose of prophecy? Knowing that all scripture is important, what value does reading Daniel's prophecies have for you personally?
3.	Point # 2 says that "there is one history and God is in it all." Would you be able to explain that to a non-believer? Yes or No. If yes, explain how. If no, explain why not.
4.	From history, we learned that Koine Greek was the primary language spoken throughout the known world in Jesus' day. How did this idea help spread the gospel? What modes of communication are used today to spread the gospel and how does that relate to our current history?
5.	During this lesson, we showed how Antiochus was foreshadowing the Antichrist. What are some other Biblical examples of one character foreshadowing another? How does this help us understand God's plan for us?
6.	During this lesson, we learned more about the Antichrist. Does this kind of lesson confuse you, scare you, help prepare you, or give you confidence?