

## Making a Difference in a Mixed Up World – 10 Daniel's Connection to Christmas

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## I. WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA?

<u>Daniel</u> and <u>Jesus</u> are connected through time. They <u>validate</u> one another and give us rock-solid <u>confidence</u> in our <u>Bible</u>.

## II. JESUS VALIDATES DANIEL.

In Matthew 24, Jesus points to Daniel as a <u>prophet</u> and a <u>reliable</u> source on <u>end-time</u> prophecy.

- II. DANIEL'S SURPRISING CONNECTION TO CHRISTMAS.
  - A. While praying <u>intercession</u> for his people, Daniel was told about <u>THE</u> Intercessor: <u>Jesus</u>.
  - B. Daniel predicted the <u>time</u> of Jesus ministry <u>precisely</u>.
  - C. Daniel predicted the <u>sacrificial</u> <u>death</u> of the Messiah foreshadowing the nature of Jesus' <u>birth</u>.
  - D. The <u>wisemen</u> were actually <u>Magi</u> from the Persian/Parthian Empire.
  - E. It is possible that the wisemen knew of Jesus' <u>birth</u> because they were <u>Daniel's</u> disciples.