

Daniel 11:36-45
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“The Anti-Christ Revealed”

1. We ended last week in the middle of chapter 11 and finished by looking at Antiochus Epiphanies who is a picture and type of the anti-Christ in Scripture.

And now this week we will see the passage shift from this type of the anti-Christ to prophecies concerning the actual anti-Christ.

2. We have quite a bit of information in the Bible about the anti-Christ, some of which we will see today.

- **But** the biggest thing to note concerning him is that while he attempts to replace the true Christ, he is the exact opposite.
- **However**, we will see him trying to constantly imitate the true Christ even as Satan does in order to try to replace him and deceive the world.

3. And why would we see him do the same thing as Satan?

- **He** will led by the spirit of Satan.

4. Let's look at verse 36.

v.36 1. Who is the King referred to here?

- **The** anti-Christ
- **And** notice he will do.

2. First, it says he will do according to “his own will.”

- **That** is God will allow Satan to give him power that cannot be stopped by man.

3. Secondly notice it says he “exalts and magnifies HIMSELF above EVERY god” known to man.

- **Including** the true God of heaven.

4. Revelation tells us he will even declare himself to BE God almighty 3 ½ years into his rule.

- **This** means he will put an end to all religions and allow only the worship of HIM.

5. Next, he will speak blasphemies against the “God of gods” which is the Father in heaven and Jesus.

- **So** it won’t be enough for him to simply say HE is god, but he will do his best to insult and disparage the true God.

6. And lastly, notice he will actually prosper in doing this for a “short time.”

- **That is** until God’s wrath is finished.

7. And I love this final statement.

- **Notice** “what has been determined SHALL be done.”

- **That is** God is in control and this WILL happen.

8. What a contrast the false Christ is to the true Christ.

- **The** false Christ does HIS will; Jesus ONLY did the Father's will and not His own.
- **The** false Christ will exalt himself above all gods; the true Christ exalted the Father above all gods.
- **The** false Christ will speak blasphemies against God; the true Christ spoke praises of the Father.
- **The** false Christ will only prosper for a short time, but the true Christ will rule and reign forever.

v.37 1. Notice also it says he will not regard the "God of His fathers" NOR the "desire of women."

- **Many** see his lack for the "desire of women" to mean he will be a homosexual.

2. And while I can't rule that out, I don't believe that is what it is saying here.

- **So** what does this mean?

3. First of all, the term the "God of his fathers" is very Jewish terminology meaning the God of Abraham and other Jewish fathers.

- **Which** would appear to tell us that the antichrist will be a Jew.
- **And** from what I know of the Jewish people, they would not accept anyone BUT a Jew as their Messiah because God is so specific in the Scripture that the Messiah will come from the line of Israel.

4. But what about the “desire of women.”

- **This** was also very Jewish terminology. They referred to the Messiah as the “desire of the nations,” hence also the “desire of women” in that it was every Jewish girl’s desire to be the mother of the Messiah.

5. Haggai 2:7 says, “And I will shake all nations, and the **desire of all nations** shall come: And I will fill this house with glory, saith the LORD of hosts.”

- **And** this is why most believe when it says he will not regard the “desire of women,” it is simply saying he will have no regard for the Messiah.

v.38 1. That is he will put his trust in his military might, Gold and silver, precious stones, and pleasant things.

- **Which** are the things of the world and of the flesh rather than the things of God and His Spirit.

- **Which** stands to reason.
2. It is interesting that he will apparently have a great arsenal of weapons at his disposal as the nations of the world put him in charge.
 - **It** is also interesting that he will be based in Europe when America has had the majority of weaponry in recent times.
 3. That is why I have been watching for large transfers of our weaponry to Europe.
 - **When** we pulled out of Afghanistan a year and a half ago, we left 88 billion dollars' worth of military equipment and no one was told why or where it ended up.
 4. Now this year, we have sent over 100 billion dollars worth of military equipment to Ukraine and many are saying they are not even able to find much of it.
 - **I** am not saying we are helping to build a massive European military, but I do find it interesting in light of prophecy.
 5. And notice lastly, he will honor money and riches.
 - **Gold**, silver, and precious things which he will no doubt use to bribe other world leaders with.

v.39 1. Notice he will use this foreign god of “fortresses” or military might to advance his kingdom to rule over many.

- **And** notice he will also use this military might to “divide the land for gain.”

2. No doubt in reference to the negotiations that will be made with the surrounding peoples in and around Israel when he signs the peace treaty or “covenant” with them spoken of in Daniel chapter 9.

- **Which** incidentally will start the time clock of the final 7 years for God to fulfill His promises to the nation.

v.40 1. Here and in Revelation it tells us that the anti-Christ will be accepted and loved by all at the very beginning, but by the end of the final 7 years some of the world will turn on him.

- **That is** what we see here with some in the South and North coming against him.
- **But** notice it says he will overwhelm them to retain his power.

v.41 1. The glorious land is always in reference to Israel. It says here he will enter Israel and conquer it but also many other peoples or nations.

- **But** notice he will not overthrow and destroy Edom, Moab, or the prominent people of Ammon.
- **That** is modern day Jordan.

2. And why would God spare them?

- **Firstly**, because God made promises in Jeremiah to the people of this region to preserve them in the last days.
- **And** secondly, because this is where the Jews will have to flee through in order to get to Petra where God will protect them the final 3 ½ years before His return.

v.43 1. Notice he will also overwhelm and control Egypt, taking over of all of their financial resources.

- **But** notice also the Libyans and Ethiopians will “follow at his heels” either in joining with him or in battle against him as well.
- **Which** is interesting in that these are two of the nations that will join with Russia and Iran to attack Israel (Eze. 38/39).

v.44 1. Again notice more nations will come against him as he loses favor with the world towards the end.

- **It** says those in the East and North will come against him.

2. And the major players in the East and the North are Russia and China.

- **And** have you noticed in the news the growing alliance between Russia and China?

3. Yet it says he will still have power from Satan to defeat his enemies all the way until the end.

- **When** Jesus will intervene at the 2nd Coming and totally destroy him.

v.45 1. And finally, we see he will return again to Israel and set up his headquarters in some figuration between the Temple Mount and the Mediterranean Sea.

- **Or** possibly the Sea of Galilee or Dead Sea.
- **Which** ultimately is where he wants his headquarters to be because he wants HIS throne on the Temple Mount where Jesus's throne will one day be.

2. Revelation tells us that when God gathers the armies of the world for Armageddon, the Euphrates will be dried up so that those coming from the North and East can easily get there.

- **Probably** China and others.

2. And we are also told that the battle of Armageddon will stretch from northern Israel all the way down to Petra which is over 200 miles!

- **And** why all the way to Petra?
3. **Because** that is where the fleeing Jews will be protected by God.
 4. At this point the Lord will come down in the 2nd Coming with us in the clouds and will first go alone to Petra to defend the Jews, His brethren, then He will join back up with us and wipe out the anti-Christ and remaining armies.
 - **And** after this, He will then place His throne on the Temple Mount in Jerusalem and establish His 1000 year reign and Kingdom.
 5. It is interesting to note that Russia clearing the way south of them in these current battles in Ukraine is making a clear path to Israel.
 - **It** is also interesting that they are currently building a superhighway that runs all the way from Russia TOWARD Israel.
 6. Isaiah 63