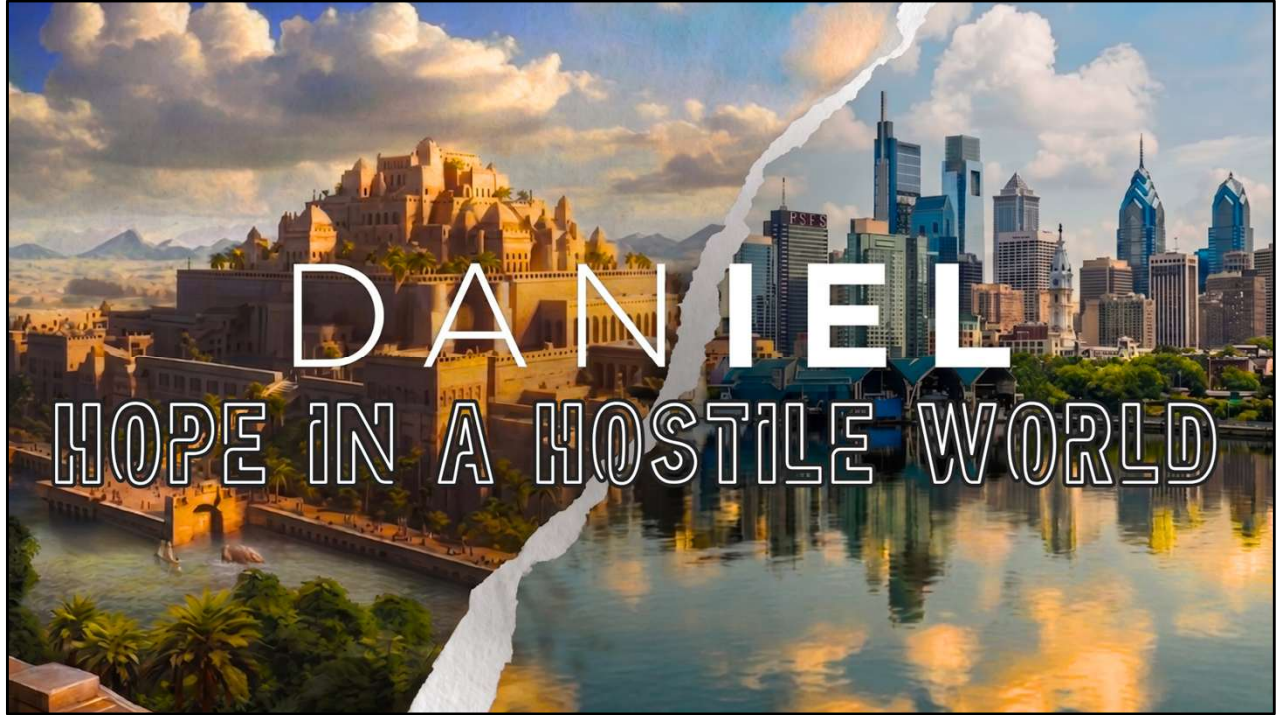
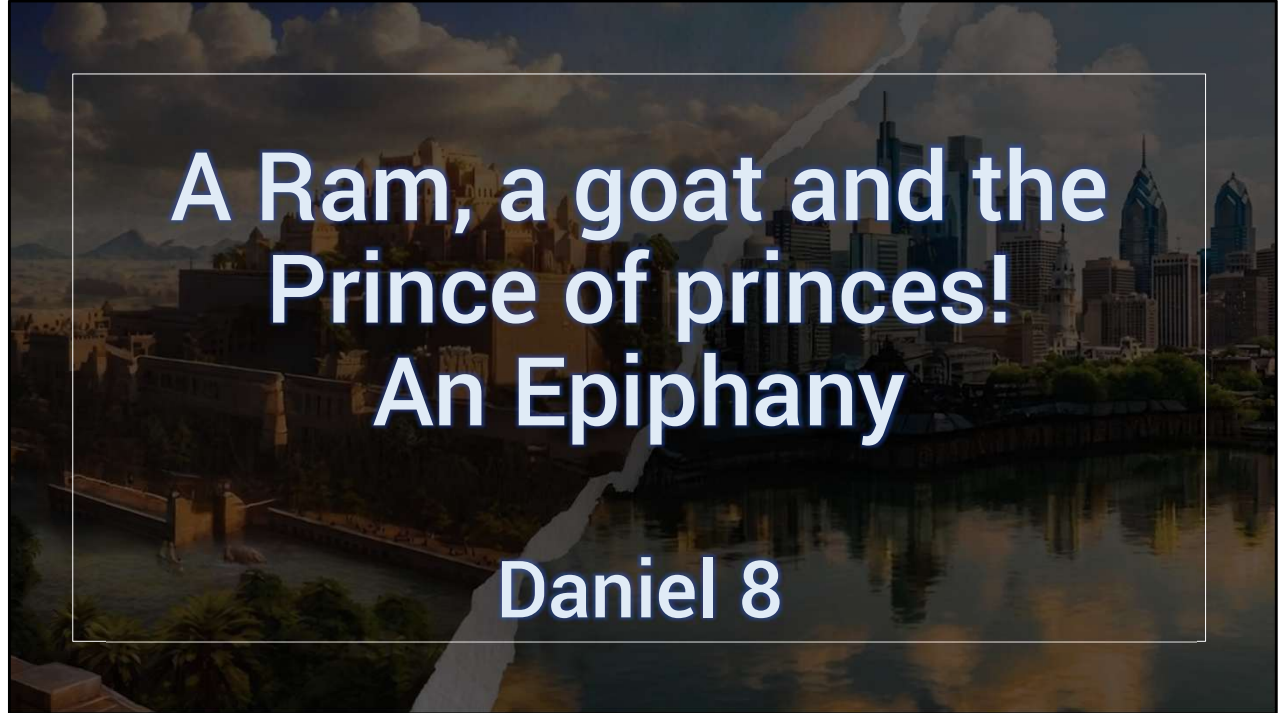




Same Kingdom, different materials and style and age
Notice the cities of Babylon and Philly!!



2 years later, another dream/Vision

[Dan 8:1 ESV] 1 In the third year of the reign of King Belshazzar a vision appeared to me, Daniel, after that which appeared to me at the first.

An Epiphany!

[Dan 8:25 ESV] 25 By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand.



A goat and a Ram

Review

- Daniel 2-7 – God Speaks to Babylon ... 1, 8-12 and To Jews
- one like a “son of man’ 7:9, 8:17, 80x in NT (Matthew 12:32)
- God makes Cameos! 7:9, 13, 22 Ancient of Days (Micah 5:2)

Dan.7-8 have a LOT in common and Don't

[Mat 16:28 ESV] 28 Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death until they see the Son of Man coming in his kingdom."

Most High [Dan 7:18, 22, 25, 27 ESV] 18 But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever, forever and ever.' ... 22 until **the Ancient of Days** came, and judgment was given for the saints of the Most High, and the time came when **the saints possessed the kingdom.** ... 25 He shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time. ... 27 And the kingdom and the dominion and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High; his kingdom shall be an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.'

Dan.7-8 Strange beasts, 4 of them in 7, 2 in 8

[Rev 4:6-7 ESV] 6 and before the throne there was as it were a sea of glass, like crystal. And around the throne, on each side of the throne, are four living creatures, full of eyes in front and behind: 7 **the first living creature like a lion, the second living**

creature like an ox, the third living creature with the face of a man, and the fourth living creature like an eagle in flight.

[Dan 7:14-15 ESV] 14 And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed. 15 "As for me, Daniel, my spirit within me was anxious, and the visions of my head alarmed me.

[Rev 5:9, 11 ESV] 9 And they sang a new song, saying, "Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, ... 11 Then I looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands,

[Dan 7:15, 28 ESV] 15 "As for me, Daniel, my spirit within me was anxious, and the visions of my head alarmed me. ... 28 "Here is the end of the matter. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts greatly alarmed me, and my color changed, but I kept the matter in my heart."

[Dan 8:27 ESV] 27 And I, Daniel, was overcome and lay sick for some days. Then I rose and went about the king's business, but I was appalled by the vision and did not understand it.

[Rev 10:9-11 ESV] 9 So I went to the angel and told him to give me the little scroll. And he said to me, "Take and eat it; it will make your stomach bitter, but in your mouth it will be sweet as honey." 10 And I took the little scroll from the hand of the angel and ate it. It was sweet as honey in my mouth, but when I had eaten it my stomach was made bitter. 11 And I was told, "You must again prophesy about many peoples and nations and languages and kings."

[Dan 2:1, 3 ESV] 1 In the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, Nebuchadnezzar had dreams; his spirit was troubled, and his sleep left him. ... 3 And the king said to them, "I had a dream, and my spirit is troubled to know the dream."

[Dan 4:5 ESV] 5 I saw a dream that made me afraid. As I lay in bed the fancies and the visions of my head alarmed me.

Review

- the “saints of the Most High” – 4x 7:18, 22, 25, 27
- “a time, times and half a time” – Daniel 7:25, 12:7;
Revelation 12:14
- Strange Beasts! In Daniel 7-8 and Revelation 4, 9 & 12



Bible College – Daniel/Revelation!!

Dan. Seals the book, 7 & *8, Rev.5 Opens it! See the image above, A king in the shadows

Open the Scrolls!

[Dan 7:1, 28 ESV] 1 In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel saw a dream and visions of his head as he lay in his bed. Then he wrote down the dream and told the sum of the matter. ... 28 "Here is the end of the matter. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts greatly alarmed me, and my color changed, but I kept the matter in my heart."

[Dan 8:26 ESV] 26 The vision of the evenings and the mornings that has been told is true, but seal up the vision, for it refers to many days from now."

[Rev 5:1-3, 5-10 ESV] 1 Then I saw in the right hand of him who was seated on the throne a scroll written within and on the back, sealed with seven seals. 2 And I saw a mighty angel proclaiming with a loud voice, "Who is worthy to open the scroll and break its seals?" 3 And no one in heaven or on earth or under the earth was able to open the scroll or to look into it, ... 5 And one of the elders said to me, "Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has conquered, so that

he can open the scroll and its seven seals." 6 And between the throne and the four living creatures and among the **elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain**, with seven horns and with seven eyes, which are the seven spirits of God sent out into all the earth. 7 And he went and took the scroll from the right hand of him who was seated on the throne. 8 And when he had taken the scroll, the four living creatures and the twenty-four elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are **the prayers of the saints**. 9 And they sang a new song, saying, "**Worthy are you to take the scroll and to open its seals, for you were slain, and by your blood you ransomed people** for God from every tribe and language and people and nation, 10 and you have made them a kingdom and priests to our God, and they shall reign on the earth."

3½ Years occurs 5X's in Revelation!

Clustered together in 3 consecutive chapters at Rev 11, 12 & 13!

$$3\frac{1}{2} \text{ Years} \times 2 = 7$$

42 Months	Rev 11:2	"trample the holy city for 42 months "
1,260 Days	Rev 11:3	2 Witnesses "prophesy for 1,260 days clothed in sackcloth."
1,260 Days	Rev 12:6	"woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days ."
Time, times & a ½ time	Rev 12:14	"the woman was given the 2 wings of the great eagle so that she might fly from the serpent into the wilderness, to the place where she is to be nourished for a time, & times, & half a time ."
42 Months	Rev 13:5,7	"beast... exercise authority for 42 months ." "allowed to make war on the saints & to conquer them."

Don't be Confused!

Its all the same amount of time expressed in different ways!

$$3\frac{1}{2} \text{ Years} = 42 \text{ Months} = 1,260 \text{ Days} = \text{Time Times \& } \frac{1}{2} \text{ a Time.}$$

RevelationScriptures.com

Dan introduces LOTS of Numbers, Many repeated in Rev.!

Dan.7 Introduces the 3 ½ yr element

In the Middle of Daniel and in the Middle of Rev. Time, times and half OR 1260 days.

On 360 Day Jewish Calendar

42 months = 3.5 years

1260 days = 3.5 years

Time (1 yr), Times (2yrs) and half = 3 ½ yr

[Dan 7:25 ESV] 25 He shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time.

[Dan 12:7 ESV] 7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the stream; he raised his right hand and his left hand toward heaven and swore by him who lives forever that it would be for a time, times, and half a time, and that when the shattering of the power of the holy people **comes to an end all these things would be finished.**

[Rev 11:2-3 ESV] 2 but do not measure the court outside the temple; leave that out,

for it is given over to the nations, and they will trample the holy city for forty-two months. 3 And I will grant authority to my two witnesses, and they will prophesy **for 1,260 days**, clothed in sackcloth."

[Rev 12:6, 14 ESV] 6 and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished **for 1,260 days**. ... 14 But the woman was given the two wings of the great eagle so that she might fly from the serpent into the wilderness, to the place where she is to be nourished for **a time, and times, and half a time**.

[Rev 13:5, 7 ESV] 5 And the beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for **forty-two months**. ... 7 Also it was allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them. And authority was given it over every tribe and people and language and nation,

[Dan 7:25 ESV] 25 He shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand **for a time, times, and half a time**.

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[Rev 11:7 ESV] 7 And when they have finished their testimony, **the beast that rises from the bottomless pit will make war on them and conquer them and kill them,**

[Rev 11:8 ESV] 8 and their dead bodies will lie in the street of **the great city that symbolically is called Sodom and Egypt, where their Lord was crucified**.

[Rev 12:5-6, 12-14 ESV] 5 She gave birth to a male child, one who is to rule all the nations with a rod of iron, but her child was caught up to God and to his throne, 6 and the woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, **in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days**. ... 12 Therefore, rejoice, O heavens and you who dwell in them! But woe to you, O earth and sea, for **the devil has come down to you in great wrath, because he knows that his time is short!**" 13 And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown down to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. 14 But the woman was given the two wings of the great eagle so that she might fly from **the serpent** into the wilderness, **to the place where she is to be nourished for a time, and times, and half a time**.

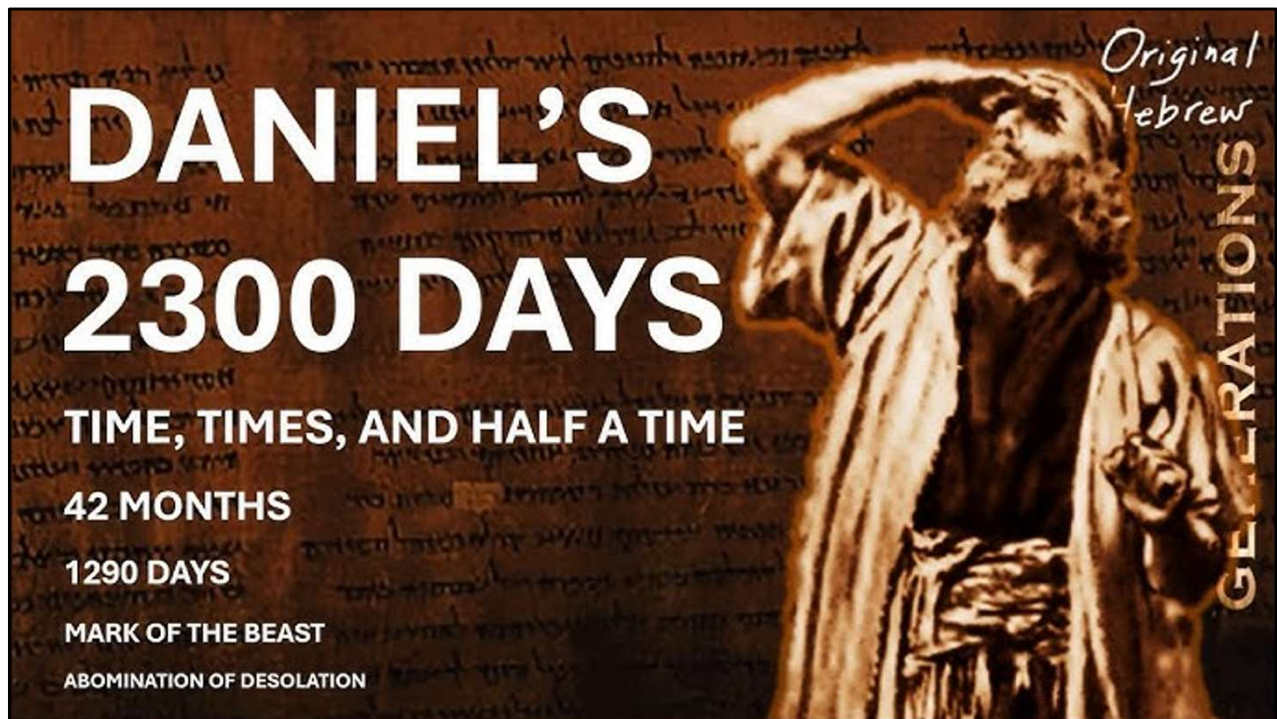
Rev.12:6, 14 Here, 1260 days and a time, times and a half are the same!!

7 years of Tribulation = the 70th week in Dan.9

The Dragon and the Serpent are the same

[Rev 12:7, 9, 13-17 ESV] 7 Now war arose in heaven, Michael and his angels fighting against the dragon. And the dragon and his angels fought back, ... 9 And the great dragon was thrown down, that ancient serpent, who is called the devil and Satan, the deceiver of the whole world--he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him. ... 13 And when the dragon saw that he had been thrown down to the earth, he pursued the woman who had given birth to the male child. 14 But the woman was given the two wings of the great eagle so that **she might fly from the serpent** into the wilderness, to the place where she is to be nourished for a time, and times, and half a time. 15 The serpent poured water like a river out of his mouth after the woman, to sweep her away with a flood. 16 But the earth came to the help of the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed the river that the dragon had poured from his mouth. 17 Then the dragon became furious with the woman and went off to make war on the rest of her offspring, on those who keep the commandments of God and hold to the testimony of Jesus. And he stood on the sand of the sea.

BUT, What about Dan.8?!! 2300 days??



Daniel presents LOTS of Numbers. Why different numbers? Take them literally?!!
Some at least must!

[Dan 8:14 ESV] 14 And he said to me, "For 2,300 evenings and mornings. Then the sanctuary shall be restored to its rightful state." (Maccabees?)

[Dan 12:11 ESV] 11 And from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, there shall be 1,290 days.

70 years are Literal years!

[Dan 9:2 ESV] 2 in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, perceived in the books the number of years that, according to the word of the LORD to Jeremiah the prophet, must pass before the end of the desolations of Jerusalem, namely, seventy years.

[2Ch 36:21 ESV] 21 to fulfill the word of the LORD by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed its Sabbaths. All the days that it lay desolate it kept Sabbath, to fulfill seventy years.

[Jer 25:11-12 ESV] 11 This whole land shall become a ruin and a waste, and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years. 12 Then after seventy years are completed, I will punish the king of Babylon and that nation, the land of the Chaldeans, for their iniquity, declares the LORD, making the land an everlasting waste.

[Jer 27:7 ESV] 7 All the nations shall serve him and his son and his grandson, until the time of his own land comes. Then many nations and great kings shall make him their slave.

[Jer 29:10 ESV] 10 "For thus says the LORD: When seventy years are completed for Babylon, I will visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place.

70 weeks (week is 7 days = 490) These 70 weeks also become Literal to the advent of Christ the 1st time!

[Dan 9:24-27 ESV] 24 "**Seventy weeks are decreed** about your people and your holy city, to finish the transgression, to put an end to sin, and to atone for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal both vision and prophet, and to anoint a most holy place. 25 Know therefore and understand that from the going out of the word to restore and build Jerusalem to the coming of an anointed one, a prince, there shall be seven weeks. And for sixty-two weeks it shall be built again with squares and moat, but in a troubled time. 26 And after the sixty-two weeks, an anointed one shall be cut off and shall have nothing. And the people of the prince who is to come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end shall come with a flood, and to the end there shall be war. Desolations are decreed. 27 And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator."

Daniel 8 Zoom in and a Precursor/harbinger

- Daniel 8:3 – I raised my eyes and saw, and behold
- Pregnant prophecies...Stacking dolls? Dual fulfillment
- Daniel 8:20 – the ram that you saw with the two horns, these are the kings of Media and Persia.
- Daniel 8:21 – the goat is the king of Greece...the first king.
- Daniel 8:17 – “Understand, O son of man, that the vision is for the time of the end.”...the latter end of the indignation

In this Chapter, the Literal reminds us of what is Symbolic!! Dual fulfillment!

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[Dan 8:1 ESV] 1 In the **third year of the reign of King Belshazzar** a vision appeared to me, Daniel, after that which appeared to me at the first.

raised my eyes and saw, and behold = Vision! Stated 3 ways

Dan 7:28 "Here is the end of the matter. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts greatly alarmed me, and my color changed, but I kept the matter in my heart."

Dan 8:27 And I, Daniel, was overcome and lay sick for some days. Then I rose and went about the king's business, but I was appalled by the vision and did not understand it.

Dan 8:17, 19, 23, 25-27 So he came near where I stood. And when he came, I was frightened and fell on my face. But he said to me, "Understand, O son of man, that the vision is for the time of the end." ... 19 He said, "Behold, I will make known to you what shall be at the latter end of the indignation, for it refers to the appointed time of

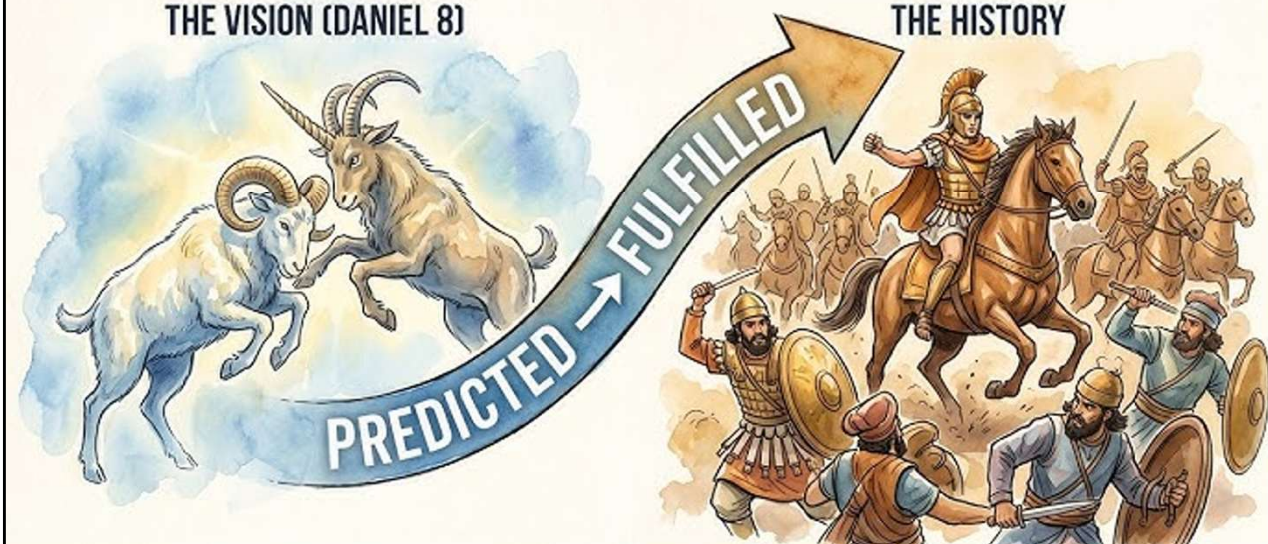
the end. ... 23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors have reached their limit, a king of bold face, one who understands riddles, shall arise. ... 25 By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand. 26 The vision of the evenings and the mornings that has been told is true, but seal up the vision, for it refers to many days from now." 27 And I, Daniel, was overcome and lay sick for some days. Then I rose and went about the king's business, but I was appalled by the vision and did not understand it.

Antiochus Epiphanes, and the coming Antichrist!

DANIEL'S IMPOSSIBLE PROPHECY

THE VISION (DANIEL 8)

THE HISTORY





Sheep vs

Follow

Eat Grass

Obedient/Humble

Compassionate/caring

Serve others

Goats

Don't follow, fiercely independent, Self willed and Stubborn

Eat ANYTHING

Prideful and Rebellious

Uncaring and selfish

Go own way

Satan worship is symbolized by Goats!

Mt.25



Just Coincidence?

Baphomet statues and displays have appeared at several U.S. state capitols, including Arkansas State Capitol and **Iowa** State Capitol, organized by The Satanic Temple to protest public religious monuments or exercise free speech rights.
<https://www.nbcnews.com/news/us-news/man-destroyed-satanic-temple-altar-iowa-charged-hate-crime-law-rcna136688>

Dragons usually have Horns too

in Susa the citadel/Persia!

- 8:3 – The Ram, Daniel 8:20 – the kings of Media and Persia.
 - 2 horns, 1 Higher (Persians eventually eclipsed Medes)
- 8:4 – charging westward and northward and southward.
 - 8:4 – No beast could stand before him...did as he pleased
- 8:5 – “a male goat came from west (Europe/Greece) across the face of the whole earth (empire!) without touching the ground (speed).” Alexander the Great! 4?

Remember Nebs Image

Dan 8:4 I saw the ram charging westward and northward and southward. No beast could stand before him, and there was no one who could rescue from his power. He did as he pleased and became great.

NOT Eastward, That's where hes from! Kings from the East

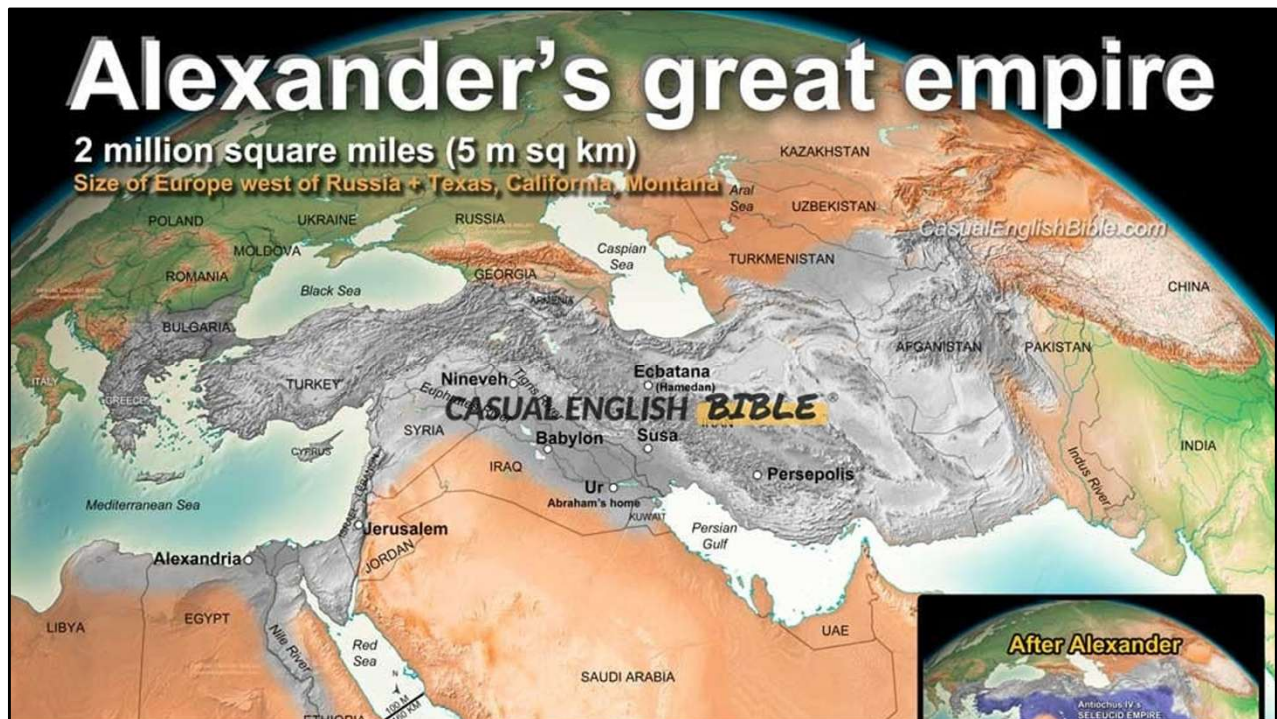
[Dan 8:8 ESV] 8 Then the goat became exceedingly great, but when he was strong, the great horn was broken, and instead of it there came up four conspicuous horns toward the four winds of heaven.

Alex had no children and His kingdom was divided into 4 Kingdoms. This is a Real Rarity in History!!

This references the prophecies found in [Daniel 9:27](#), 11:31, and 12:11

The little horns of chapters 7 and 8 exhibit multiple commonalities. Both individuals share the same symbol—a horn (7:8; 8:9). Both live after the height of Grecian rule and during the end time (7:25; 8:17). Both begin small and become great (7:8, 20; 8:9). Both possess the power of perception (7:8; 8:23). Both exude hubris and blasphemy (7:8, 11, 20, 25; 8:11, 25). Both conquer and destroy (7:8, 20–21, 24; 8:9, 24–25). Both persecute the saints (7:21, 25; 8:24). Both suffer a supernatural

demise as expressed grammatically by divine passives (7:26; 8:25). Both receive the most attention in their respective visions. Both appear as the final malevolent power in the literary structure of the visions. The extensive overlap suggests that chapters 7 and 8 describe the same ruler.²



Bulgaria (Europe) to border of India! Defeating Babylon, Persia...Into Africa, beyond the Nile!

Alex is still a VERY Popular Name!

The Male Goat – Alexander the Great

- Alexander the Great, 20-year-old started conquering, died at 32, undefeated in battle. 12 years yet traversed 3 continents!
- The Greek Empire spread quick and Wide! Widest yet!
- He died unexpectedly; 4 Kings soon arose in his place!
- Antiochus Epiphanes was not in line, yet rose!

[Dan 8:22 ESV] 22 As for the horn that was broken, in place of which four others arose, four kingdoms shall arise from his nation, but not with his power.

Alex born in 356 BC, trained by Aristotle. Reached the Indus River in India. Died in Babylon at 32

was followed by multiple successor kingdoms—often stabilized into four major power blocks—because he died suddenly without naming a clear adult heir, leading his powerful generals (the Diadochi) to fight for control and partition his massive empire.

[Dan 8:23-26 ESV] 23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors have reached their limit, a king of bold face, one who understands riddles, shall arise. 24 His power shall be great—but not by his own power; and he shall cause fearful destruction and shall succeed in what he does, and destroy mighty men and the people who are the saints. 25 By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand. 26 The vision of the evenings and the mornings that has been told is true, but seal up the vision, for it refers to many days from now."

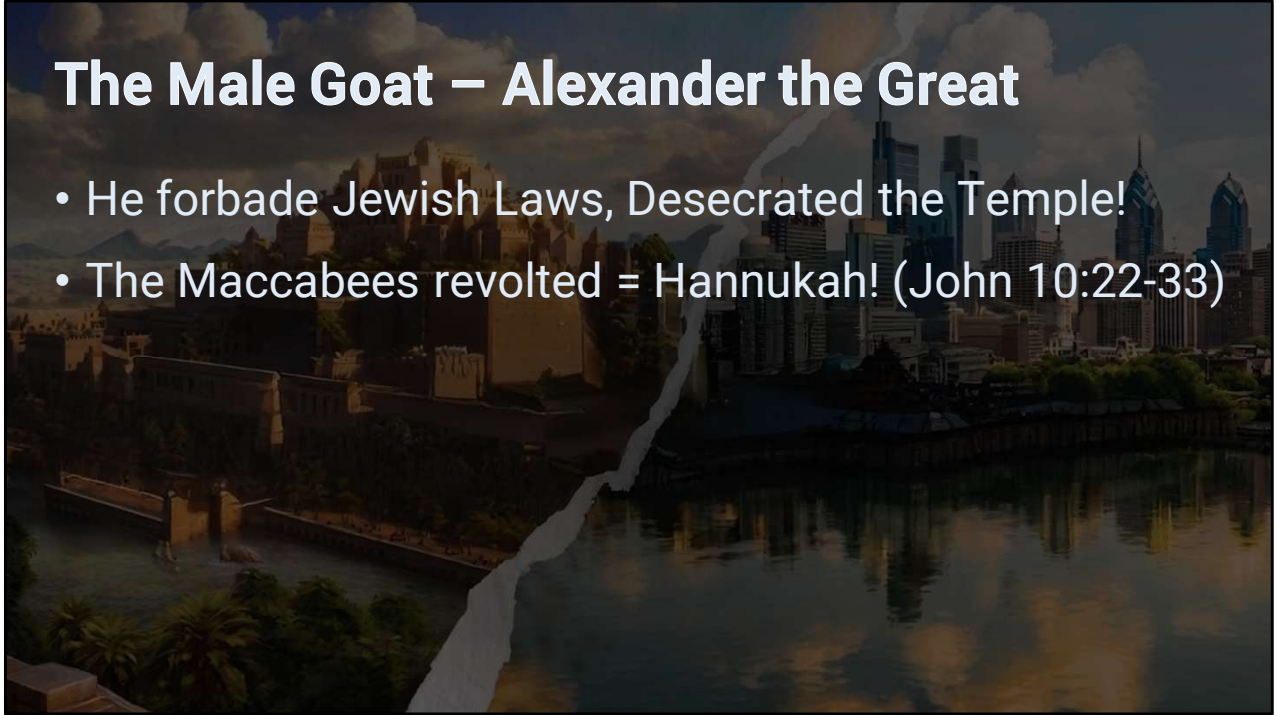
The Greek Empire prepared the coming of Christs ministry!
Chain of Supply – Silk roads, Trails
Architecture
Philosophy Acts 17
Language of the NT Bible!

Antiochus Prepared the people for Jewish Zealotry! The Maccabees, 1 rode into Jerusalem on a Donkey! The Apocrypha! Even in Perilous times, God was blessing! Also taught the people there is a time to Rebel, at least NOT Bow!
Jesus celebrated Hannukah, Festival of Lights!
Josephus tells that Ant Epi. Died by Gods Hand! Dan 8:25 and he shall be broken—but by no human hand.

[Jhn 10:22, 24-25, 28, 30-31, 33 ESV] 22 At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ... 24 So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." 25 Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, ... 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ... 30 I and the Father are one." 31 The Jews picked up stones again to stone him. ... 33 The Jews answered him, "It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you but for blasphemy, because you, being a man, make yourself God."

The Male Goat – Alexander the Great

- He forbade Jewish Laws, Desecrated the Temple!
- The Maccabees revolted = Hannukah! (John 10:22-33)





Goat from the West attacks the Ram from the East!



Thus, over 250 years after Daniel's vision in the third year of the reign of King Belshazzar, Alexander's kingdom was divided and ruled by "four notable horns." As the prophet Gabriel had predicted

Out of the Seleucid Empire arose a king named Antiochus Epiphanes IV. His reign began in 175 B.C. and lasted until 164 B.C.

Antiochus Epiphanes IV "assumed the title of Theos Epiphanes meaning 'the manifest God'"

If the vision of Daniel 8 actually was written in approximately 550 B.C., and it accurately predicted events in detail that did not transpire until 164 B.C., then whoever wrote the book must have been aided by divine guidance.

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What about the 2300 days?

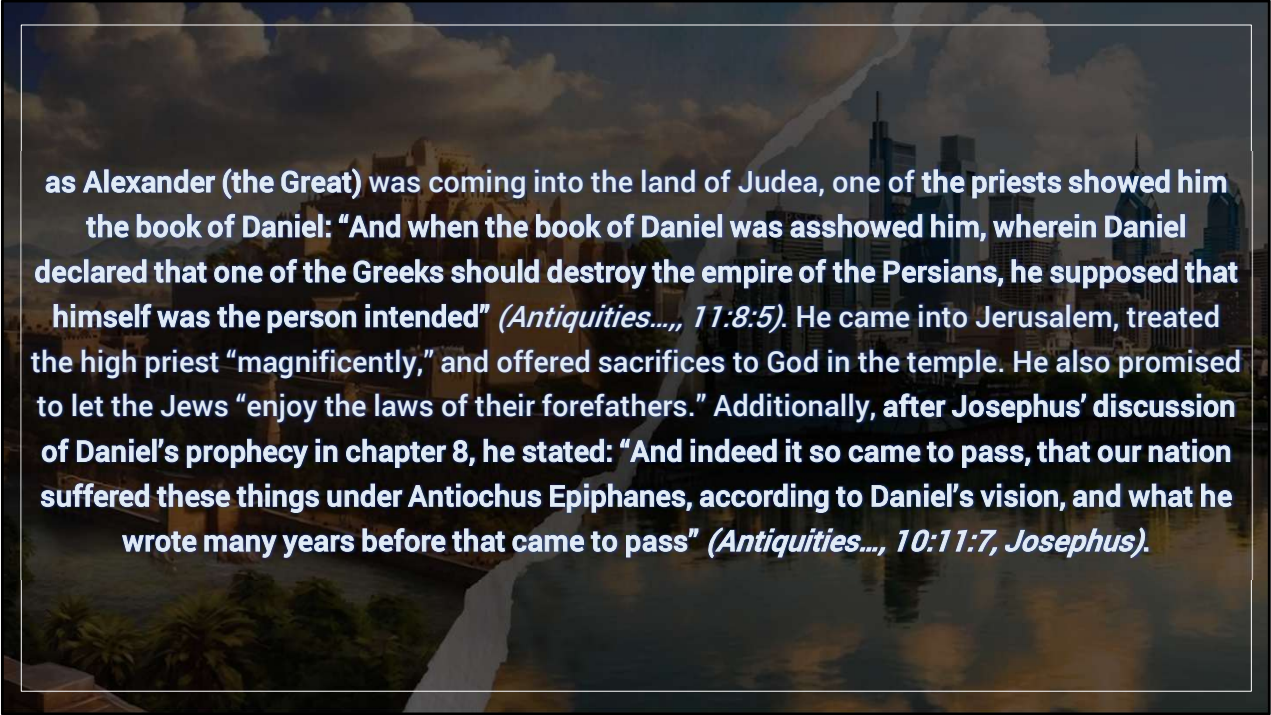
'It will take 2,300 evenings and mornings; then the sanctuary will be reconsecrated.'

The time period covered, 2,300 days, figures to about 6 1/3 years. We believe this prophecy was fulfilled before the birth of Christ, during the reign of the Seleucid king Antiochus IV (Epiphanes). Antiochus desecrated the temple in Jerusalem and severely persecuted the Jews from about September 171/170 BC to December

165/164 BC. When Antiochus died, the Jews purified and rededicated the temple, just as Daniel had predicted. These events are commemorated in the celebration of Hanukkah.

The detailed prophecies contained in God's Word are part of what makes the Bible unique among religious texts. Our God can **"make known the end from the beginning, from ancient times, what is still to come"** ([Isaiah 46:10](#)), and He has revealed significant events in the future, counting out the very days of those periods of time.

[Isa 46:10 ESV] 10 declaring the end from the beginning and from ancient times things not yet done, saying, 'My counsel shall stand, and I will accomplish all my purpose,'



as Alexander (the Great) was coming into the land of Judea, one of the priests showed him the book of Daniel: "And when the book of Daniel was asshowed him, wherein Daniel declared that one of the Greeks should destroy the empire of the Persians, he supposed that himself was the person intended" (*Antiquities...., 11:8:5*). He came into Jerusalem, treated the high priest "magnificently," and offered sacrifices to God in the temple. He also promised to let the Jews "enjoy the laws of their forefathers." Additionally, after Josephus' discussion of Daniel's prophecy in chapter 8, he stated: "And indeed it so came to pass, that our nation suffered these things under Antiochus Epiphanes, according to Daniel's vision, and what he wrote many years before that came to pass" (*Antiquities..., 10:11:7, Josephus*).

Was this person Antiochus Epiphanes??

The Majority of Theologians think so

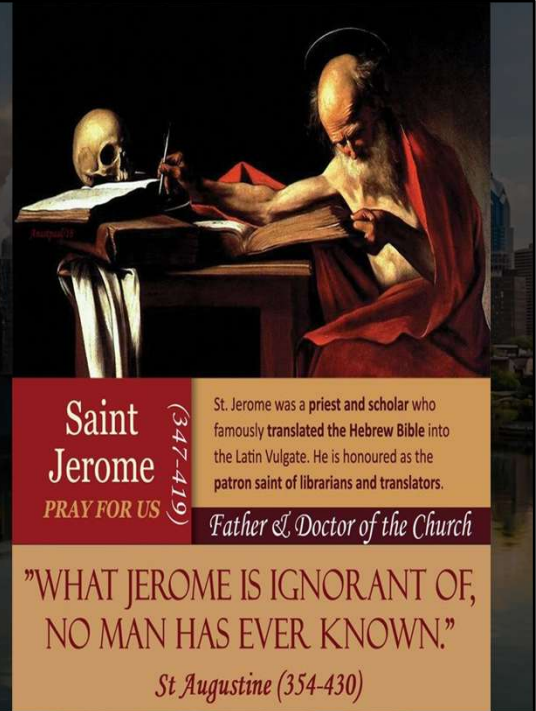
Josephus and Rabbis of Jesus day though so

It was the basis of Hannukah and the Maccabees!

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Furthermore, when Josephus wrote about the conquest of Alexander the Great (336-324 B.C.), he again mentioned the book of Daniel. He noted that as Alexander was coming into the land of Judea, one of the priests showed him the book of Daniel: "And when the book of Daniel was showed him, wherein Daniel declared that one of the Greeks should destroy the empire of the Persians, he supposed that himself was the person intended" (*Antiquities...., 11:8:5*). He came into Jerusalem, treated the high priest "magnificently," and offered sacrifices to God in the temple. He also promised to let the Jews "enjoy the laws of their forefathers." Additionally, after Josephus' discussion of Daniel's prophecy in chapter 8, he stated: "And indeed it so came to pass, that our nation suffered these things under Antiochus Epiphanes, according to Daniel's vision, and what he wrote many years before they came to pass" (*Antiquities..., 10:11:7*).

Porphyry, who wrote his twelfth book against the prophecy of Daniel, denying that it was composed by the person to whom it is ascribed in its title, but rather by some individual living in Judaea at the time of Antiochus who was surnamed Epiphanes. He furthermore alleged that "Daniel" did not foretell the future so much as he related the past... [B]ecause Porphyry saw that all these things had been fulfilled and could not deny that they had taken place, he overcame this evidence of historical accuracy by taking refuge in this evasion... For so striking was the reliability of what the prophet foretold, that he could not appear to unbelievers to be a predictor of the future, but rather a narrator of things already past (1958, pp. 15-16).



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Jerome believed Dan.8 to speak of Ant. Epiph.

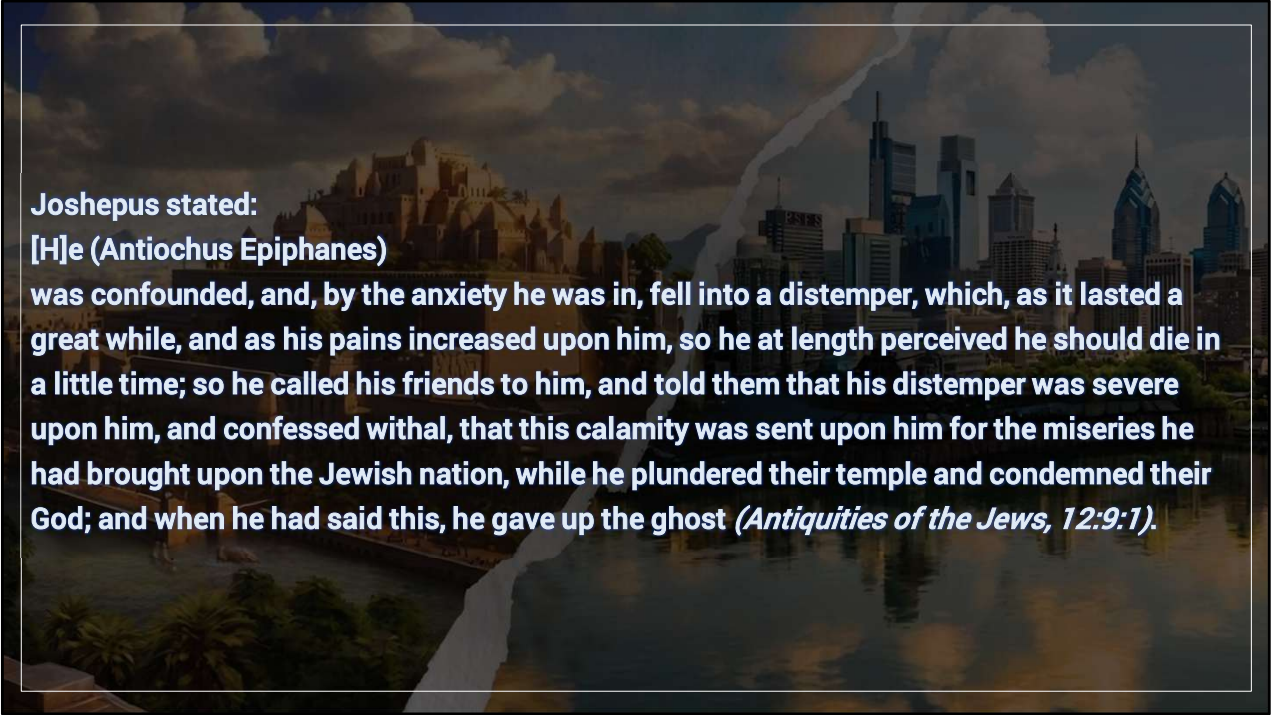
Enemies Accuse Daniel 8 of Being History, not Prophecy

Daniel's vision and Gabriel's commentary on it have proven to be so accurate that skeptics are forced to admit its accuracy, but claim that it was written **after** the events transpired— not hundreds of years before. One can see why skeptics must adopt this tactic. If the vision of Daniel 8 actually was written in approximately 550 B.C., and it accurately predicted events in detail that did not transpire until 164 B.C., then whoever wrote the book must have been aided by divine guidance. Since the atheists, skeptics, and many liberal theologians cannot tolerate such a conclusion, they must find some way to deny the prophecy. Since secular history verifies the prophecy in great detail, to deny that the vision of Daniel 8 documents actual events would be tantamount to intellectual suicide. Thus, the only alternative is to contend that the record of the events in Daniel 8 is a historic record that was penned after the events took place. We will see that such a tactic is misguided and flawed, and cannot be sustained. But the fact that it is used does much to confirm the accuracy of the prophecy. After all, if the prophecy were not accurate, why would any unbeliever be forced to call it history?

Near the beginning of the **5th century A.D.**, **Jerome** became a prominent figure among **Christians**. He penned a commentary on the book of Daniel, in which he mentioned a skeptic by the name of Porphyry,

who wrote his twelfth book against the prophecy of Daniel, denying that it was composed by the person to whom it is ascribed in its title, but rather by some individual living in Judaea at the time of Antiochus who was surnamed Epiphanes. He furthermore alleged that "Daniel" did not foretell the future so much as he related the past.... [B]ecause Porphyry saw that all these things had been fulfilled and could not deny that they had taken place, he overcame this evidence of historical accuracy by taking refuge in this evasion.... For so striking was the reliability of what the prophet foretold, that he could not appear to unbelievers to be a predictor of the future, but rather a narrator of things already past (1958, pp. 15-16).

Modern-day skeptic, Chris Sandoval, was forced to adopt the same line of reasoning, stating: "Actually, the book was written in Palestine in the mid-second century BC by an author who expected God to set up his everlasting kingdom in his own near future..." (2007). Throughout his work, while claiming (without success) that the author of Daniel made mistakes, he insists that the author had an accurate knowledge of much world history. Sandoval said of the author of Daniel: "We see that he was well-acquainted with the history of the Seleucids and Ptolemies up to a century and half before his time;" and "[s]ince these predictions largely came true until the middle of the war and failed thereafter, we know that the author lived in Seleucid times, not Babylonian times" (2007). Sandoval's statement that Daniel's prophecies "failed" after the war is false, but he concedes that Daniel's predictions "largely came true until the middle of the war." Such reasoning tacitly admits the fact that even the skeptics believe that Daniel's vision accurately detailed many events as they occurred in history



Joshepus stated:

[H]e (Antiochus Epiphanes)

was confounded, and, by the anxiety he was in, fell into a distemper, which, as it lasted a great while, and as his pains increased upon him, so he at length perceived he should die in a little time; so he called his friends to him, and told them that his distemper was severe upon him, and confessed withal, that this calamity was sent upon him for the miseries he had brought upon the Jewish nation, while he plundered their temple and condemned their God; and when he had said this, he gave up the ghost (*Antiquities of the Jews, 12:9:1*).

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[Dan 8:25 ESV] 25 By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand.

“Broken Without Human Means”

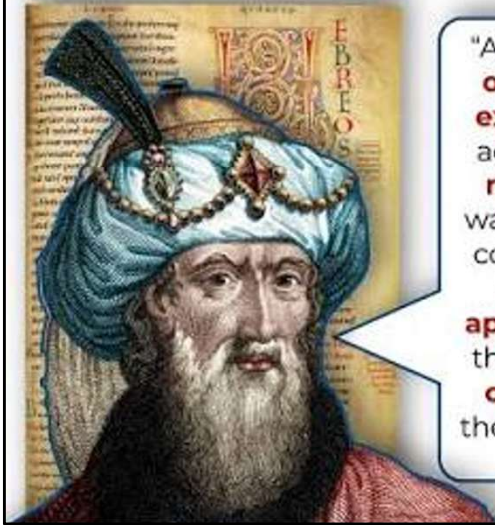
When the angel Gabriel explained Daniel’s dream, the heavenly messenger predicted that the wicked king who was portrayed as the little horn would be “broken without human means” (Daniel 8:25). When we compare the death of Antiochus Epiphanes IV with this statement, we can see that it accurately describes his demise. **Antiochus did not die in battle, as many ancient kings did, nor was he assassinated by conspirators. In fact, Antiochus did not die at the hands of any other human. Various historical references relating to his death verify the fact that he died because of a distemper or fever. Josephus stated:**

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plundered their temple and condemned their God; and when he had said this, he gave up the ghost (*Antiquities of the Jews*, 12:9:1).

Polybius, a Greek historian from the second century B.C., stated that Antiochus “died at Tabae in Persia, smitten with madness, as some people say, owing to certain manifestations of divine displeasure” (1927, 31:9). Appian, a Roman historian from the second century A.D., said that he died of “wasting disease” (n.d., 66). And Diodorus Siculus, who wrote during the first century B.C., recorded that Antiochus Epiphanes IV “was driven mad by certain apparitions and terrors, and finally died of disease” (1947, 31:18a). Both Siculus and Polybius attribute Antiochus’ disease to divine displeasure over his attack on the temple of Artemis, while Josephus attributes it to his actions against the temple of the Jews. But the fact upon which they agree is that Antiochus Epiphanes IV died of a “disease,” or “distemper,” or “madness,” that was not the result of any human means. Thus, his death perfectly coincides with the death of the little horn of Daniel 8 that would be “broken without human means.”

In Book 18 of Antiquities, Josephus makes some pretty overt statements about Jesus:

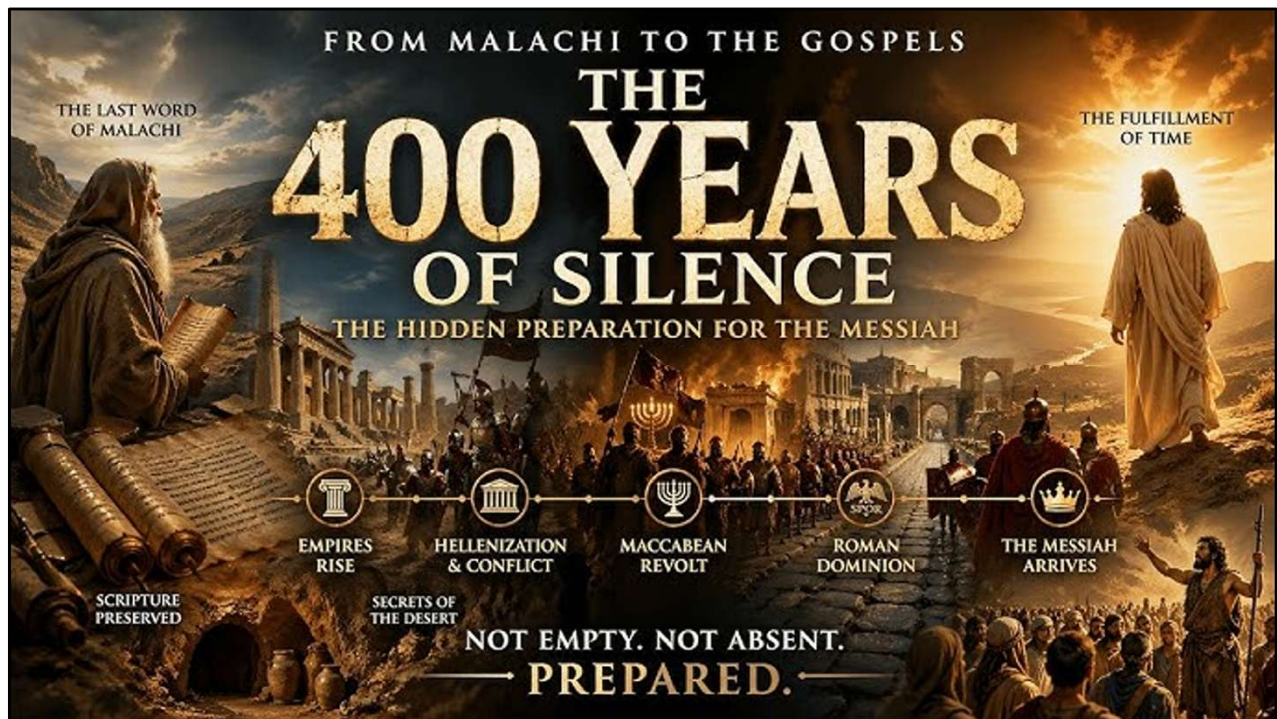


"About this time lived Jesus, **a wise man**, if indeed one ought to call him a man. For he was the **achiever of extraordinary deeds** and was a **teacher** of those who accept the truth gladly. He **won over many Jews and many of the Greeks**. He **was the Messiah**. When he was indicted by the principal men among us and Pilate condemned him to be crucified, those who had come to love him originally did not cease to do so; **for he appeared to them on the third day restored to life**, as the prophets of God had foretold these **and countless other marvelous things about him**, and the tribe of the Christians, so named after him, has not disappeared to this day"

Josephus also wrote about Jesus, some argue its corrupted and Controversial

It appears in Book 18 of *Jewish Antiquities*. Here's the standard translation from the Loeb Classical Library, with brackets around the words I've described for decades as "dodgy." (Not exactly a technical term, but I always thought it apt.)

About this time there lived Jesus, a wise man, [if indeed one ought to call him a man]. For he was one who wrought surprising feats and was a teacher of such people as accept the truth gladly. He won over many Jews and many of the Greeks. [He was the Messiah.] When Pilate, upon hearing him accused by men of the highest standing among us, had condemned him to be crucified, those who had in the first place come to love him did not give up their affection for him. [For he appeared to them alive again on the third day, the divine prophets having foretold these and countless other marvellous things about him.] And the tribe of the Christians, so called after him, has still to this day not disappeared.



400 years of Silence! Pro 29:18 Where there is no prophetic vision the people cast off restraint, but blessed is he who keeps the law.

Though silent in Prophecy, God was NEVER and will Never be silent in Power and effectuality of His purpose! He was working behind the scenes, preparing the world for the fulfillment of His promises!

Abraham to Moses Gen 15:13 Then the LORD said to Abram, "Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. Exo 12:40-41, Gal 3:17
Malachi to John the Baptist

The Greek and Roman empires inadvertently created the perfect global environment for the rapid expansion of early Christianity. While the Greeks provided a unified culture and language, the Romans built the physical and political framework that allowed the new faith to travel

Greeks: Western Civilization!! Thk God for 300 Spartans and the resistance to Darius the Great and the Persians. Democracy/Voting, the Scientific method, Math and Medicine, Recording History, Architecture, Philosophy

Alexander the Great, 20yo started conquering, died at 32, undefeated in battle

The Pax Romana: This 200-year period of relative peace and stability across the empire meant that people, ideas, and religions could move across borders without the constant disruption of local wars.

The Roman Road System: Rome built over 50,000 miles of paved, well-maintained, and heavily guarded roads. Early missionaries like the Apostle Paul used these exact highways to travel thousands of miles safely and efficiently to plant churches.

Aqueducts and Roads!! Appian Way

Why Daniel Chapter 8?

- Focused Zoom in picture of next 400 years. Microcosm
- The Prototype of the AntiChrist
 - an opponent of the Messiah...over against, opposite to ἀντί
 - Instead of, in place of, exchange
- The Angel Gabriel? (Daniel 8:16; Luke 1:26; Galatians 1:8) Who Else?

A **microcosm** is a miniature representation or a small, self-contained system that reflects the patterns, characteristics, or structure of a much larger whole.

Daniel himself reveals the Babylonians and Persians! This Chapter reveals the Greeks!

The New Testament reveals the Romans. Where is the Rock that Destroys ALL the Images?

A Preview, a foretaste

The 4 Kingdoms of Neb. Image, zoom in on #2, #3, Medes and Persians and Greeks. Rome comes later

Focused Zoom in picture of next 400 yrs. Microcosm which will show

1. God is still working for the Jews in the "Silent years"
2. That His word is to be taken literally
3. That God is Sovereign
4. That Satan has always been Satan and Envy the worship of/for our Lord!

[1Jo 2:18, 22 ESV] 18 Children, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. Therefore we know that it is the last hour. ... 22 Who is the liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? This is the antichrist, he who denies the Father and the Son.

[1Jo 4:3 ESV] 3 and every spirit that does not confess Jesus is not from God. This is the spirit of the antichrist, which you heard was coming and now is in the world already.

[2Jo 1:7 ESV] 7 For many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who do not confess the coming of Jesus Christ in the flesh. Such a one is the deceiver and the antichrist.

ἀντίχριστος G500 - *antichristos*

derived partly from [Daniel 11:36ff](#); [Daniel 7:25](#); [8:25](#)

[Luk 11:11 ESV] 11 What father among you, if his son asks for a fish, will instead of a fish give him a serpent;

[Dan 8:16 ESV] 16 And I heard a man's voice between the banks of the Ulai, and it called, "Gabriel, make this man understand the vision."

[Dan 9:21 ESV] 21 while I was speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the first, came to me in swift flight at the time of the evening sacrifice.

[Luk 1:19, 26 ESV] 19 And the angel answered him, "I am Gabriel. I stand in the presence of God, and I was sent to speak to you and to bring you this good news. ... 26 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth,

[Gal 1:8 ESV] 8 But even if we or an angel from heaven should preach to you a gospel contrary to the one we preached to you, let him be accursed.

[Luk 1:19, 26](#)

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[Luk 1:26-28 ESV] 26 In the sixth month the angel Gabriel was sent from God to a city of Galilee named Nazareth, 27 to a virgin betrothed to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David. And the virgin's name was Mary. 28 And he came to her and said, "Greetings, O favored one, the Lord is with you!"

The Abomination of Desolation! And THE AntiChrist Keeps coming up! Jesus references it, Happening yet again!

[Dan 9:27 ESV] 27 And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator."

[Dan 11:31 ESV] 31 Forces from him shall appear and profane the temple and fortress, and shall take away the regular burnt offering. And they shall set up the abomination that makes desolate.

[Dan 12:11 ESV] 11 And from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, there shall be 1,290 days.

[Mat 24:15 ESV] 15 "So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand),

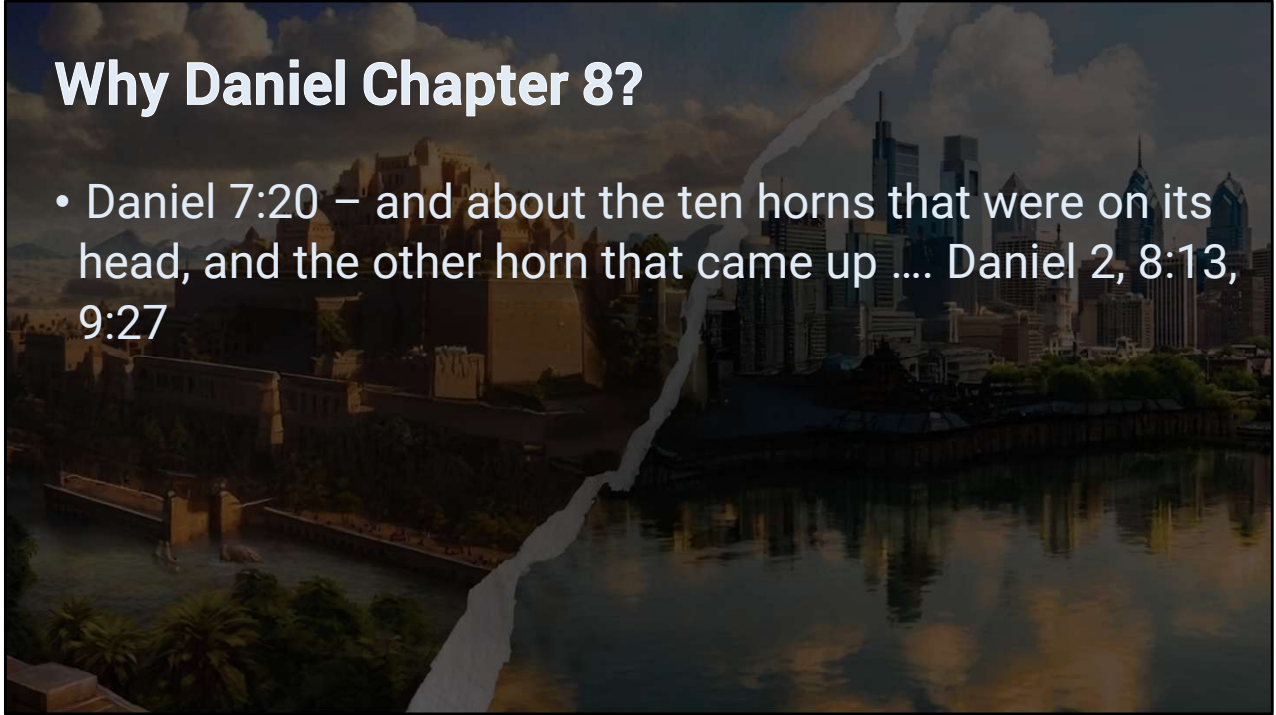
[Mar 13:14 ESV] 14 "But when you see the abomination of desolation standing where he ought not to be (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.

[Luk 21:20 ESV] 20 "But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near.

Notice also:

Why Daniel Chapter 8?

- Daniel 7:20 – and about the ten horns that were on its head, and the other horn that came up Daniel 2, 8:13, 9:27



1st John
Denies Jesus in Messiah!
Confess not Jesus in Flesh!
Many little "a" antichrists
Only 1 big "A" AntiChrist

Children, it is the last hour, and as you have heard that antichrist is coming, so now many antichrists have come. Therefore we know that it is the las hour.

1 John 2:18

THE ANTICHRISTS OF 1 JOHN

THE MANY ARE NOT THE SAME AS THE ONE COMING

THE MANY ANTICHRISTS
(ALREADY IN THE WORLD)

1 JOHN 2:18 (KJV)
 "Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists..."

1 JOHN 2:22 (KJV)
 "Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist..."

1 JOHN 4:3 (KJV)
 "...this is that spirit of antichrist..."

2 JOHN 7 (KJV)
 "...who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist."

- MANY IN NUMBER
- DEFINED BY WHAT THEY DENY
- THE SPIRIT OF ANTICHRIST IS ALREADY AT WORK

LET THE BIBLE DEFINE ITS OWN TERMS

WE CANNOT SEE THE HEART OF MAN. GOD ALONE SEES THE HEART.

1 SAMUEL 16:7 (KJV)
 "...for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart."

THE ANTICHRIST
(THE ONE COMING)

- A FUTURE INDIVIDUAL (1 JOHN 2:18)
- WILL DECEIVE MANY (2 THESSALONIANS 2:9-10)
- WILL EXALT HIMSELF (2 THESSALONIANS 2:4)
- WILL OPPOSE AND BLASPHEME GOD (2 THESSALONIANS 2:4)
- WILL RECEIVE WORLDWIDE AUTHORITY (REVELATION 13:7-8)
- WILL BE CAST INTO THE LAKE OF FIRE (REVELATION 19:20)

ONE IN NUMBER
A SPECIFIC MAN
THE FINAL ENEMY OF GOD
AND HIS CHRIST

Church, let's slow down and let the Bible speak.
TEST THE SPIRITS. HOLD FAST THAT WHICH IS GOOD. 1 JOHN 4:1

COMPARE SCRIPTURE WITH SCRIPTURE. LET GOD'S WORD—NOT MAN'S OPINION—BE YOUR FINAL AUTHORITY.

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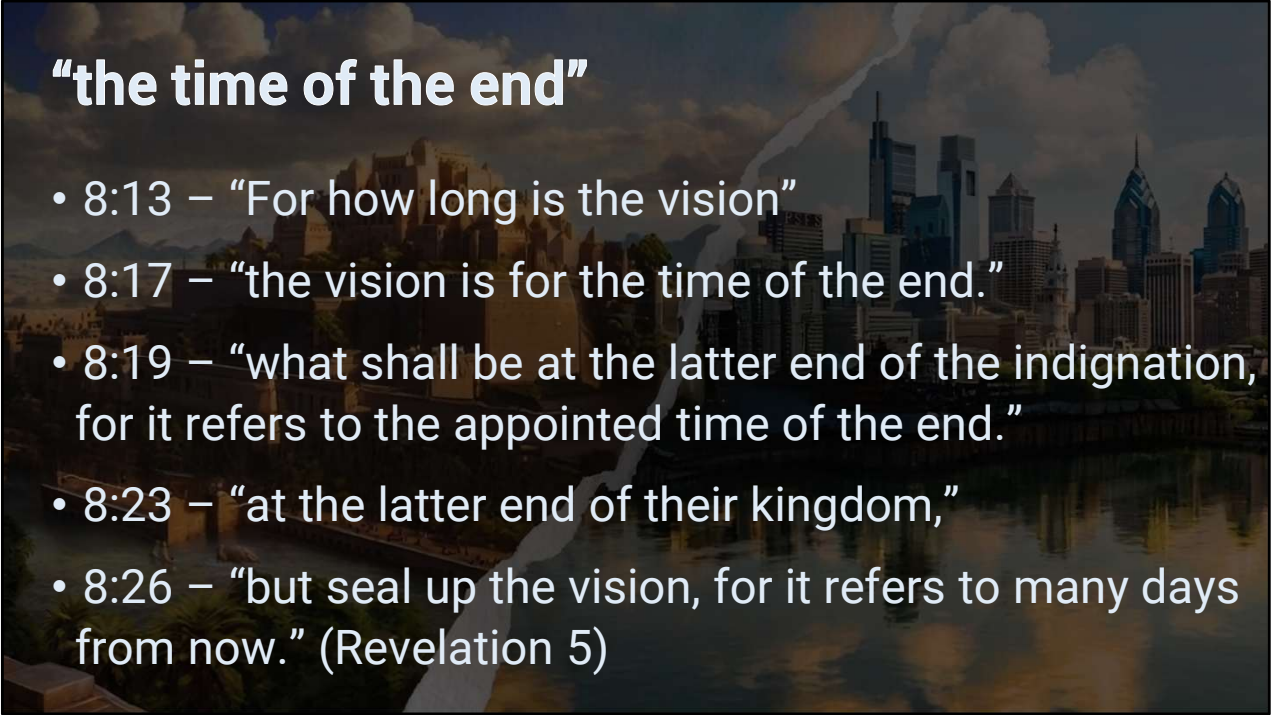
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[2Th 2:4, 9-10 ESV] 4 who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. ... 9 The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, 10 and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved.

[Rev 13:7-8 ESV] 7 Also it was allowed to make war on the saints and to conquer them. And authority was given it over every tribe and people and language and nation, 8 and all who dwell on earth will worship it, everyone whose name has not

been written from the foundation of the world in the book of life of the Lamb who was slain.

[Rev 19:20 ESV] 20 And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur.



“the time of the end”

- 8:13 – “For how long is the vision”
- 8:17 – “the vision is for the time of the end.”
- 8:19 – “what shall be at the latter end of the indignation, for it refers to the appointed time of the end.”
- 8:23 – “at the latter end of their kingdom,”
- 8:26 – “but seal up the vision, for it refers to many days from now.” (Revelation 5)

[Dan 8:10-11, 13, 17, 19, 23, 25-26 ESV] 10 It grew great, even to the host of heaven. And some of the host and some of the stars it threw down to the ground and trampled on them. 11 It became great, even as great as the Prince of the host. And the regular burnt offering was taken away from him, and the place of his sanctuary was overthrown. ... 13 Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to the one who spoke, "For how long is the vision concerning the regular burnt offering, the transgression that makes desolate, and the giving over of the sanctuary and host to be trampled underfoot?" ... 17 So he came near where I stood. And when he came, I was frightened and fell on my face. But he said to me, "Understand, O son of man, that the vision is for the time of the end." ... 19 He said, "Behold, I will make known to you what shall be at the latter end of the indignation, for it refers to the appointed time of the end. ... 23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors have reached their limit, a king of bold face, one who understands riddles, shall arise. ... 25 **By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great.** Without warning he shall destroy many. And **he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes,** and he shall be broken—but by no human hand. 26 The vision of the evenings and the mornings that has been told is true, **but seal up the vision,** for it refers to many days from now."

Rev.12

[Dan 12:4, 9 ESV] 4 But you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, until the time of the end. Many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase." ... 9 He said, "Go your way, Daniel, for the words are shut up and sealed until the time of the end.

[Rev 10:4 ESV] 4 And when the seven thunders had sounded, I was about to write, but I heard a voice from heaven saying, "Seal up what the seven thunders have said, and do not write it down."

[Rev 22:10 ESV] 10 And he said to me, "Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near.



An Angel of Light vs. A Fierce Dragon

[2Co 11:14-15 ESV] 14 And no wonder, for even Satan disguises himself as an angel of light. 15 So it is no surprise if his servants, also, disguise themselves as servants of righteousness. Their end will correspond to their deeds.



Dragon - 1404 - *drakōn*

[dragon](#) (13x).

a dragon, a great serpent, a name for Satan

δράκων *drákōn*, drak'-own; probably from an alternate form of δέσκομαι *dérkomai* (to look); **a fabulous kind of serpent** (perhaps as supposed to fascinate):—dragon.

a dragon, a great serpent, a fabulous animal (so as early as Homer, Iliad 2, 308f, etc.). From it, after [Genesis 3:1ff](#), is derived the figurative description of the devil in [Revelation 12:3-17](#); [Revelation 13:2, 4, 11](#); [Revelation 16:13](#); [Revelation 20:2](#).

THE COUNTERFEIT KINGDOM IS ALREADY AT WORK — BUT WILL SOON BE REVEALED

2 Thessalonians 2:7 • Revelation 13 (KJV)



SATAN — THE DECEIVER
Revelation 12:9 (KJV)

- Works through lies, fear, and accusation.



**THE ANTICHRIST —
FALSE CHRIST**
Revelation 13:19 (877) (retentions)

- Demands worship and global allegiance.



**THE FALSE PROPHET
- RELIGIOUS DECEPTION**
Revelation 13:11-17 (KJV)

- Uses signs and authority to enforce loyalty.

THE SPIRIT IS AT WORK NOW. THE SYSTEM WILL RULE LATER.

Where do you see deception operating today—
—politics, religion, or culture?

WHO IS THE ANTICHRIST?

- He will rise from among ten kings Daniel 7:24
- He will speak great blasphemies against God Revelation 13:5-6
- He will demand to be worshiped as God 2 Thessalonians 2:4
- He will be empowered by Satan Revelation 13:2
- He will confirm a 7-year covenant with many Daniel 9:27
- He will break that covenant halfway through Daniel 9:27
- He will perform counterfeit signs and wonders 2 Thessalonians 2:9
- He will cause craft (deception) to prosper Daniel 8:25
- He will persecute the saints (Tribulation believers) Revelation 13:7
- He will receive a deadly wound and appear to resurrect Revelation 13:3
- He will force all to receive a mark to buy or sell Revelation 13:16-17

What Else Does the Bible Say? LET US KNOW IN THE COMMENTS

JESUS WINS. BE READY.

Mat 24:24-27 For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect. 25 See, I have told you beforehand. 26 So, if they say to you, 'Look, he is in the wilderness,' do not go out. If they say, 'Look, he is in the inner rooms,' do not believe it. 27 For as the lightning comes from the east and shines as far as the west, so will be the coming of the Son of Man.

[Mat 24:5, 11 ESV] 5 For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and they will lead many astray. ... 11 And many false prophets will arise and lead many astray.

[2Pe 2:2 ESV] 2 And many will follow their sensuality, and because of them the way of truth will be blasphemed.

[2Pe 3:17 ESV] 17 You therefore, beloved, knowing this beforehand, take care that you are not carried away with the error of lawless people and lose your own stability.

[Deu 13:1 ESV] 1 "If a prophet or a dreamer of dreams arises among you and gives you a sign or a wonder,

[2Th 2:9-11 ESV] 9 The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, 10 and with all wicked deception for those who are perishing, because they refused to love the truth and so be saved. 11 Therefore

God sends them a strong delusion, so that they may believe what is false,
[Rev 13:13-14 ESV] 13 It performs great signs, even making fire come down from heaven to earth in front of people, 14 and by the signs that it is allowed to work in the presence of the beast it deceives those who dwell on earth, telling them to make an image for the beast that was wounded by the sword and yet lived.

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HE! Not what!

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[Dan 11:36 ESV] 36 "And **the king shall do as he wills. He shall exalt himself and magnify himself above every god**, and shall speak astonishing things against the God of gods. **He shall prosper till the indignation is accomplished; for what is decreed shall be done.**



4 Horsemen of the Apocalypse!

He has a Bow (No Arrows mentioned) BUT His coming brings War/Death, Pestilence, Hunger, 1/4th of the Earth dies!, 2 Billion! 6x the number of USA!,
4 Horsemen of the Apocalypse! White, Red, Black and Pale!

And VERY Different from the White Horse in Rev.

[Rev 6:1-10, 16-17 ESV] 1 Now I watched when the Lamb opened one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures say with a voice like thunder, "Come!" 2 And I looked, and behold, a white horse! And its rider had a bow, and a crown was given to him, and he came out conquering, and to conquer. 3 When he opened the second seal, I heard the second living creature say, "Come!" 4 And out came another horse, bright red. Its rider was permitted to take peace from the earth, so that people should slay one another, and he was given a great sword. 5 When he opened the third seal, I heard the third living creature say, "Come!" And I looked, and behold, a black horse! And its rider had a pair of scales in his hand. 6 And I heard what seemed to be a voice in the midst of the four living creatures, saying, "A quart of wheat for a denarius, and three quarts of barley for a denarius, and do not harm the oil and wine!" 7 When he opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth living

creature say, "Come!" 8 And I looked, and behold, a pale horse! And its rider's name was Death, and Hades followed him. And they were given authority over a fourth of the earth, to kill with sword and with famine and with pestilence and by wild beasts of the earth. 9 When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the witness they had borne. 10 They cried out with a loud voice, "O Sovereign Lord, holy and true, how long before you will judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?" ... 16 calling to the mountains and rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who is seated on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb, 17 for the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"

THE MAHDI: UNDERSTAND THE FIGURE. DISCERN THE SPIRIT.

A lot of Christians hear the word Mahdi and instantly start talking past what they actually know.

- Some act like he is just Islam's version of Christ.
- Some say he is the Antichrist like the Bible came right out and named him.
- Some watched three prophesy videos, heard a few scary terms, and now they talk like experts on Islamic end-times doctrine.

NO. SLOW DOWN AND DEFINE THE TERMS FIRST.

The Qur'an does not plainly lay out the Mahdi the way many people talk. The doctrine is built mainly through hadith and later Islamic tradition.

- Many do.
- That does not mean Muslims do not believe it.
- It means Christians need to stop acting like the subject is as simple as one verse in the Qur'an that says, "Here is the Mahdi."

IT IS NOT THAT CLEAN.

WHO IS THE MAHDI?

The Mahdi is basically Islam's expected end-times leader. He is the figure many Muslims believe will rise near the end, bring justice, lead the Muslim world, and take his place in their final prophetic scenario.

IMAM MAHDI
An imam in Islam can mean a prayer leader, a religious leader, or a recognized guide for the Muslim community.

In Shi'a Islam, the word comes up more often because their imams are viewed as specially appointed spiritual authorities from the family line of Muhammad.

So when Shi'a Muslims talk about the Mahdi, they are talking about the Twelfth Imam, who they believe was kidnapped and will return at the end.

SUNNI MUSLIMS
generally expect a future man from Muhammad's line who will appear near the end and lead with justice.

TWELVER SHI'A MUSLIMS
Identify the Mahdi with the Twelfth Imam, Muhammad al-Munajjid, who they believe went into occultation and will return.

ISLAM'S JESUS: ISA
Islam does not give you the Jesus of Scripture.

- Not the eternal Son.
- Not God manifest in the flesh.
- Not the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.
- Not the risen Lord who conquered death.
- Not the Christ who shed his blood for sinners and sat down at the right hand of the Father.

ISLAM GIVES YOU A PROPHET. THAT IS IT.
Then it says this Jesus returns in a way that confirms Islam instead of the Gospel.

THE REAL ISSUE
The Mahdi is tied to Islam's end-times Jesus. Once your Jesus denies the cross, He is not Jesus. Once your Jesus denies His death, when He blood, rejects the Gospel, and rejects the reason He came the first time, you are not dealing with both in different clothes.

You are dealing with another Christ.

THE REAL JESUS CANNOT BE COUNTERFEITED.
Muslims are waiting for a false end-times hope built around a false Christ. If people do not know the real Christ, the false one gets a whole lot easier to sell.

THE JESUS OF SCRIPTURE

- The eternal Son of God.
- Born of a virgin.
- Lived without sin.
- Died for sinners.
- Rose from the dead.
- Ascended in glory.
- Sits at the right hand of the Father.
- Coming back as Lord and King.

NO MAHDI PREPARES THE WAY FOR HIM. NO COUNTERFEIT KINGDOM REPLACES HIM.

DISCERNMENT IS NOT HATE. IT IS OBEDIENCE.

- Not every Islamic tradition handles the details the same way.
- The Bible does not tell you to go around calling every Islamic figure the Antichrist by name.

BUT SCRIPTURE DOES COMMAND US TO TEST THE SPIRITS.
THE TEST ALWAYS COMES BACK TO CHRIST. WHO IS HE? THAT QUESTION EXPOSES EVERYTHING.

IS ISLAM'S "MESSIAH" THE BIBLE'S ANTI-CHRIST?

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Mohammed claims the Angel Gabriel gave him the Koran?

Gabriel is a Bible Angel! Of the Jews!
Declared the coming prototype of the Antichrist
Predicted the coming of the True Christ

Now presents a different Christ and new god – Allah?

Yes, according to traditional Jewish law (*Halakha*), a person's Jewish identity and lineage are passed down through the mother. If your mother is Jewish, you are Jewish, regardless of whether your father is Jewish. Conversely, if your mother is not Jewish, you are not considered Jewish by traditional standards, even if your father is Jewish (unless you undergo formal conversion). [1, 2, 3] Chabad

Islamic law and tradition trace lineage (*nasab*) strictly through the biological father within a valid marriage. [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]

Omar Sharif Jr.: An actor, model, and LGBTQ+ activist, he is the grandson of the legendary Egyptian Muslim actor Omar Sharif and a Jewish-Canadian mother whose parents were Holocaust survivors. He often speaks about embracing his

dual heritage.

Tamer Kattan: An international stand-up comedian and writer born in Egypt, he frequently uses his upbringing with a Muslim father and a Jewish mother as material for his comedy sets and podcast

Nora: <https://www.tiktok.com/@aijamayrock/video/7388122841503386922>

A highly publicized real-life news story in Israel mirrors the reverse of this situation. In 2022, [Or Leibler](#), a 22-year-old ultra-nationalist Jewish activist in Jerusalem, discovered via a DNA test that her biological parents were actually Muslim. She had been adopted as an infant and mistakenly believed she was born to a Jewish family, a revelation that upended her deeply held political and religious beliefs. [\[1, 2, 3\]](#)
<https://thejewishindependent.com.au/jewish-extremist-discovers-her-biological-parents-are-muslim/>

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/far-right-jewish-extremist-discovers-her-biological-parents-are-muslim/>



Mahdi in DUNE



[Rev 19:7-8, 11-21 ESV] 7 Let us rejoice and exult and give him the glory, for the marriage of the Lamb has come, and his Bride has made herself ready; 8 it was granted her to clothe herself with fine linen, bright and pure"-- for the fine linen is the righteous deeds of the saints. ... 11 Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. 12 His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. 13 He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God. 14 And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. 15 From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty. 16 On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, King of kings and Lord of lords. 17 Then I saw an angel standing in the sun, and with a loud voice he called to all the birds that fly directly overhead, "Come, gather for the great supper of God, 18 to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great." 19 And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth with their armies gathered to make war against him who was sitting on the horse and against his army. 20 And the beast was captured, and with it the false prophet who in its presence had done the signs by which he deceived

those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped its image. These two were thrown alive into the lake of fire that burns with sulfur. 21 And **the rest were slain by the sword that came from the mouth of him who was sitting on the horse, and all the birds were gorged with their flesh.**

[Dan 8:24-25 ESV] 24 His power shall be great—but not by his own power; and he shall cause fearful destruction and shall succeed in what he does, and destroy mighty men and the people who are the saints. 25 By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand.

Raise your Eyes, See and Behold!

- God has accurately predicted the future! Past!
- He is preparing us for who and what's to come!
- Deceptions! Beware! Know who to Expect!
- No goats! Be sheep! Hear His Voice alone!
- Jesus warns of the Abominations! (Matthew 24:15)
- Literalists also see Symbols and dual fulfillments

[Dan 8:3 ESV] 3 I raised my eyes and saw, and behold, a ram standing on the bank of the canal. It had two horns, and both horns were high, but one was higher than the other, and the higher one came up last.

[Jhn 10:22, 27-28 ESV] 22 At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ... 27 My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.

[Jhn 10:4, 8, 16, When he has brought out all his own, he goes before them, and the sheep follow him, for they know his voice. ... 8 All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. ... 16 And I have other sheep that are not of this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd.

[Rev 3:7 ESV] 7 "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write: 'The words of the holy one, the true one, who has the key of David, who opens and no one will shut, who shuts and no one opens.

[Dan 8:12 ESV] 12 And a host will be given over to it together with the regular burnt offering because of transgression, and it will throw truth to the ground, and it will

act and prosper.

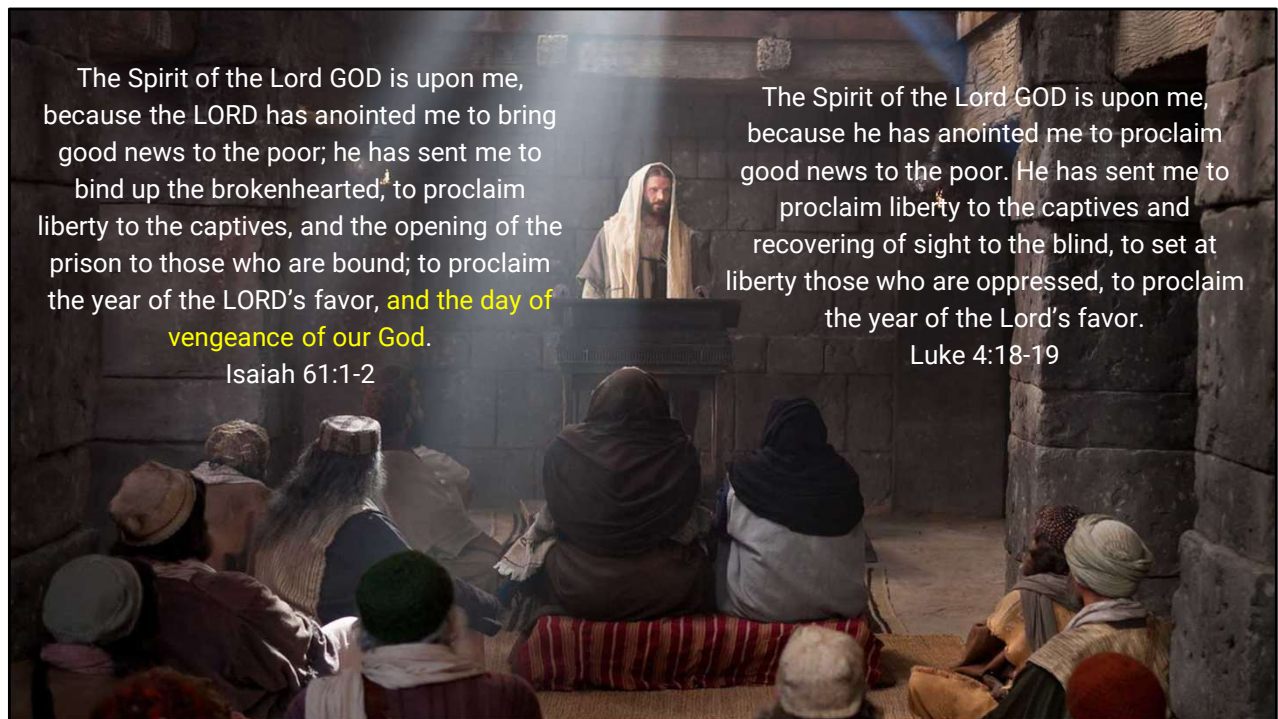
[Dan 9:27 ESV] 27 And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator."

[Dan 11:31 ESV] 31 Forces from him shall appear and profane the temple and fortress, and shall take away the regular burnt offering. And they shall set up the abomination that makes desolate.

[Dan 12:11 ESV] 11 And from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, there shall be 1,290 days.

[Mat 24:15 ESV] 15 "So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand),

[Mar 13:14 ESV] 14 "But when you see the abomination of desolation standing where he ought not to be (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.



The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,
because the LORD has anointed me to bring
good news to the poor; he has sent me to
bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim
liberty to the captives, and the opening of the
prison to those who are bound; to proclaim
the year of the LORD's favor, and the day of
vengeance of our God.

Isaiah 61:1-2

The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me,
because he has anointed me to proclaim
good news to the poor. He has sent me to
proclaim liberty to the captives and
recovering of sight to the blind, to set at
liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim
the year of the Lord's favor.

Luke 4:18-19

Jesus sure thought the best fulfilling of this promise was in Himself, more than
Isaiah

Thank God Jesus halted the promises fulfillment at a precise point and for later!!

2 Abominations of Desolation Revealed to Daniel by Gabriel

Antiochus IV, Daniel 8/10/11

Physical Temple made with stones, Jerusalem.

Abomination caused by erecting statue of Jupiter personifying Antiochus IV in the Holy Place

'erev boker' = $2300/2 = 1150$ days between 167 – 164 BC

Rabbinical sources = 'the wicked one'

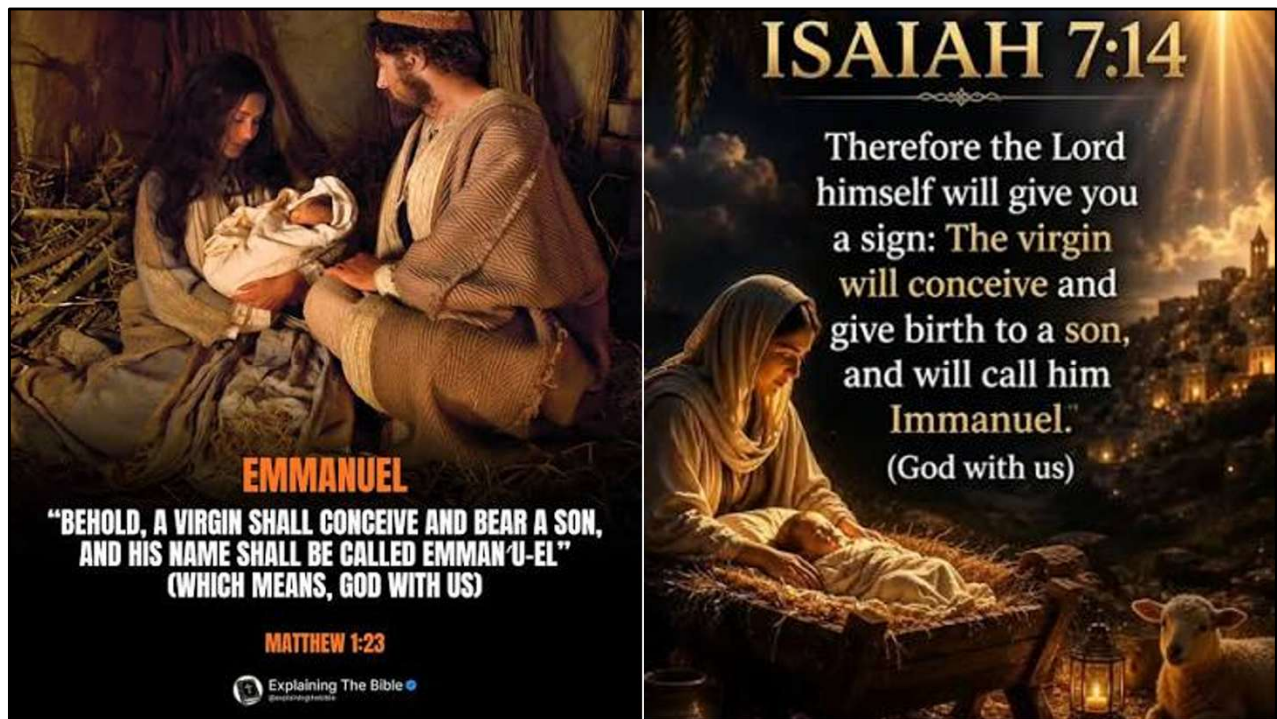
Antichrist, Daniel 11/12

Human Temple made without hands, New Jerusalem.

Abomination caused by creating an image received in the right hand and forehead for economic prosperity

'yom' = $1290 = 3 \frac{1}{2}$ years + 30 days. To occur shortly.

Thessalonians = 'the wicked one'



Isa.7:14 was already fulfilled in a smaller way in **Mahe-shalal-hash-baz** 8:3, Rezin and the son of Remaliah 8:6

[Isa 7:10-15 ESV] 10 Again the LORD spoke to Ahaz: 11 "Ask a sign of the LORD your God; let it be deep as Sheol or high as heaven." 12 But Ahaz said, "I will not ask, and I will not put the LORD to the test." 13 And he said, "Hear then, O house of David! Is it too little for you to weary men, that you weary my God also? 14 Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign. Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel. 15 He shall eat curds and honey when he knows how to refuse the evil and choose the good.

[Isa 8:3-8, 10-11 ESV] 3 And I went to the prophetess, and she conceived and bore a son. Then the LORD said to me, "Call his name Mahe-shalal-hash-baz; 4 for before the boy knows how to cry 'My father' or 'My mother,' the wealth of Damascus and the spoil of Samaria will be carried away before the king of Assyria." 5 The LORD spoke to me again: 6 "Because this people has refused the waters of Shiloah that flow gently, and rejoice over Rezin and the son of Remaliah, 7 therefore, behold, the Lord is bringing up against them the waters of the River, mighty and many, the king of Assyria and all his glory. And it will rise over all its channels and go over all its banks, 8 and it will sweep on into Judah, it will overflow and pass on, reaching even

to the neck, and its outspread wings will fill the breadth of your land, O Immanuel." ...
10 Take counsel together, but it will come to nothing; speak a word, but it will not stand, for God is with us. 11 For the LORD spoke thus to me with his strong hand upon me, and warned me not to walk in the way of this people, saying:

THE KING WHO FULFILLED PROPHECY... AND THE KING WHO IS COMING AGAIN

Jesus fulfilled around 109 distinct Messianic prophecies at His First Coming — over 300 total references. But Scripture gives six times more revelation about His return; more than 1,800 biblical prophecies and passages describe the Second Coming, the Day of the LORD, Israel's final restoration, and the Messianic Kingdom to come.

**MESSIAH
BEN YOSEF**

THE SUFFERING SERVANT

**MESSIAH
BEN DAVID**

THE CONQUERING KING

God's Word *fulfills itself in history...*

Daniel 8:20



MEDIA & PERSIA
SUPERPOWER
539–331 BC

Daniel 8:21



GREECE
SUPERPOWER
331–323 BC

Daniel 8:22



ALEXANDER DIES
EMPIRE SPLITS INTO FOUR
323 BC

Yet mankind still denies Him?
— Code of Eden —

THINK DIFFERENT
THE IMPORTANT DIFFERENCES.
 While some parallels exist, the core beliefs and outcomes are fundamentally different.

THE MAHDI IN ISLAMIC SOURCES	KEY DIFFERENCES	THE ANTICHRIST IN THE NEW TESTAMENT
A righteous, divinely guided leader sent by Allah. (Guide and Reframer)	IDENTITY	An evil, deceptive figure opposed to God. (Deceiver and Opposer)
Establish justice, end oppression, unite Muslims under Islam. (Restorer of Truth)	MISSION	End himself, deceive humanity, establish global control. (Destroyer of Truth)
Join (all) enemies and supports the Mahdi; together they defeat the Dajal. (Allied with Jesus)	RELATIONSHIP WITH JESUS	Opposes and persecutes Jesus and His followers. (Enemy of Christ)
Authority comes from God and the Quran. (Divine Authorization)	SOURCE OF AUTHORITY	Claims authority for himself, exalts himself as god. (Self-Exaltation)
Believers follow willingly for justice and guidance. (Inspired by Faith)	FOLLOWERS	Many follow due to deception, fear, or coercion. (Deceived by Lies)
Reigns for a limited time, then the Day of Judgment follows. (Ultimately serves God's Plan)	END	Destined by the return of Christ; thrown into the lake of fire. (Eternal Judgment)
Leads to peace that prepares the world for the Last Day. (Bridge to Judgment)	ETERNAL OUTCOME	Leads to destruction and eternal separation from God. (Leads to Judgment)

THINK DIFFERENT
 Every prophecy deserves careful study.
 Truth is never afraid of questions.
 - @cj.anastasakis -

The Antichrist	Al Mahdi
Will be the head of a one world government.	Will be the head of a one world government.
Leads a one world religion.	Sets up Islam as a one world religion.
Confirms a 7 year treaty between the Jews and the Gentile world.	Upholds a 7 year treaty between the Jews and the Gentile world.
Rules for approximately 7 years.	Rules for approximately 7 years.
Described in the Bible as the white horseman of the Apocalypse.	The same Biblical passage of the AC as the white rider is used by Muslim scholars as evidence of the Mahdi in the Christian Bible.
Invades/conquers Israel and Jerusalem.	Invades/conquers Israel and Jerusalem.
Rules from Jerusalem.	Rules from Jerusalem.
Targets and persecutes Christians and Jews who do not convert.	Focuses his conversion efforts on Jews and Christians and kills those who do not convert.
Changes the laws and calendar.	Implements Sharia Law and the use of the Islamic calendar.
Assisted by the false prophet (more on this in the next section).	Assisted by Isa (more on this in the next section).
Granted supernatural powers from Satan to perform signs and wonders.	Granted supernatural powers from Allah to perform signs and wonders.
Arrives on the scene during a period of great turmoil caused by war, crime, natural disasters, and religious apostasy.	Arrives on the scene during a period of great turmoil caused by war, crime, natural disasters, and religious apostasy.



400 years of Silence! Pro 29:18 Where there is no prophetic vision the people cast off restraint, but blessed is he who keeps the law.

Though silent in Prophecy, God was NEVER and will Never be silent in Power and effectuality of His purpose! He was working behind the scenes, preparing the world for the fulfillment of His promises!

**Abraham to Moses Gen 15:13 Then the LORD said to Abram, "Know for certain that your offspring will be sojourners in a land that is not theirs and will be servants there, and they will be afflicted for four hundred years. Exo 12:40-41, Gal 3:17
Malachi to John the Baptist**

The Greek and Roman empires inadvertently created the perfect global environment for the rapid expansion of early Christianity. While the Greeks provided a unified culture and language, the Romans built the physical and political framework that allowed the new faith to travel

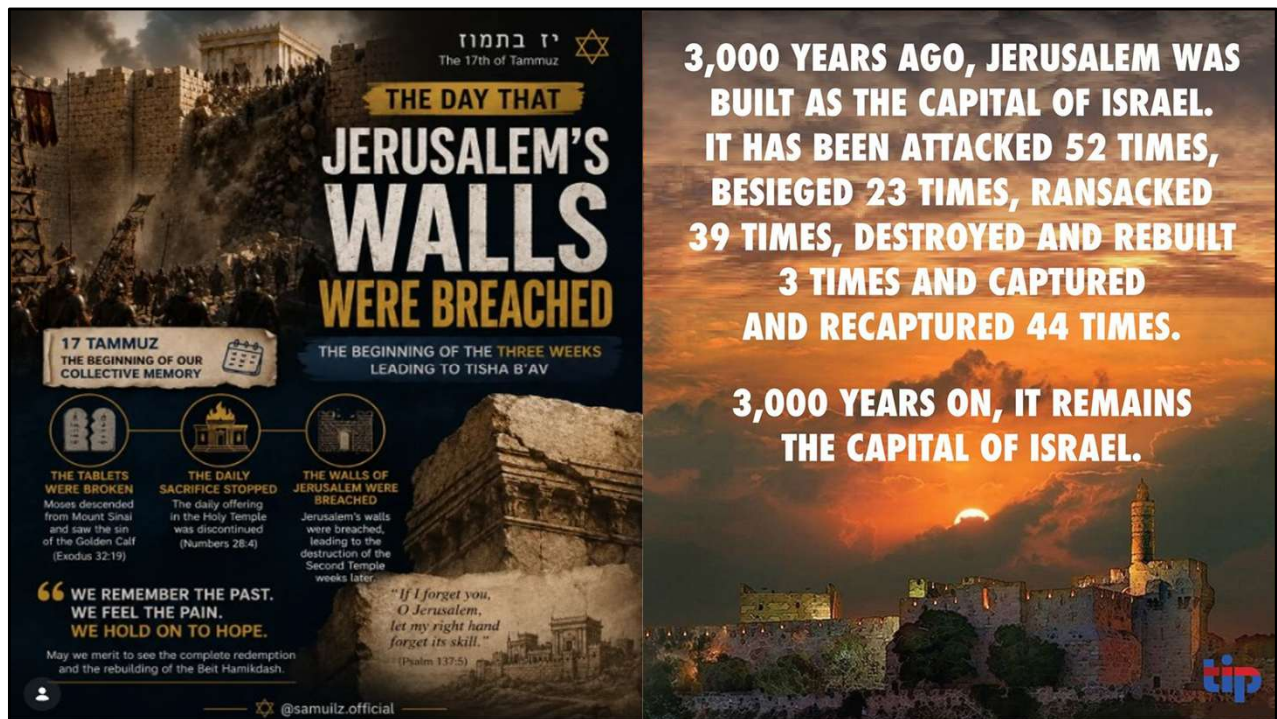
Greeks: Western Civilization!! Thk God for 300 Spartans and the resistance to Darius the Great and the Persians. Democracy/Voting, the Scientific method, Math and Medicine, Recording History, Architecture, Philosophy

Alexander the Great, 20yo started conquering, died at 32, undefeated in battle

The Pax Romana: This 200-year period of relative peace and stability across the empire meant that people, ideas, and religions could move across borders without the constant disruption of local wars.

The Roman Road System: Rome built over 50,000 miles of paved, well-maintained, and heavily guarded roads. Early missionaries like the Apostle Paul used these exact highways to travel thousands of miles safely and efficiently to plant churches.

Aqueducts and Roads!! Appian Way



Jerusalem has been attacked 52 times, besieged 23 times, captured and recaptured 44 times, and completely destroyed twice over the course of its nearly 5,000-year history. [1, 2, 3]

Destroyed and rebuilt 3x

17th of Tammuz – July 2nd, 2026

1. The Capital of Gods people Conquered, Jews taken away/scattered and displaced/Diaspora! God scatters His seed!
2. The Temple Destroyed – Man cannot approach God! Since Abraham God has never gone silent for more than 430 years, 2000! Now!
3. Abominations/Desecrations take place!

<https://www.worldatlas.com/articles/how-many-times-was-jerusalem-destroyed.html>

586 B.C. – Babylonian troops occupied the city, destroying the temple and exiling many Jews.

516 B.C. – King Cyrus allowed Jews to return to Jerusalem to rebuild. The Jews built the Second Temple.

160-167 B.C. – The Jews' Maccabean revolt, launched against the Seleucid Empire

and Greek influence, eventually returned the city to Jewish control. The Jewish holiday of Hanukkah celebrates the purification of the Second Temple after the Maccabees reconquered the city. **Antiochus Epiphanes**

The 400 yrs Silence?! Hannukah and Festival of Lights! Jesus! Jn.10

70 — During another Jewish revolt, the Romans destroy their Temple and exile many Jews.

335 — Roman Emperor Constantine built the Church of the Holy Sepulcher over the spot where Jesus was said to have been buried and to have risen from the dead.

<https://www.usatoday.com/story/news/world/2017/12/05/jerusalem-history-israel-capital/923651001/>

[Jhn 10:22, 24-25, 28, 30-31, 33 ESV] 22 At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, ... 24 So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." 25 Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, ... 28 I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. ... 30 I and the Father are one." 31 The Jews picked up stones again to stone him. ... 33 The Jews answered him, "It is not for a good work that we are going to stone you but for blasphemy, because you, being a man, make yourself God."

[Psa 137:5 ESV] 5 If I forget you, O Jerusalem, let my right hand forget its skill!

[Psa 137:6 ESV] 6 Let my tongue stick to the roof of my mouth, if I do not remember you, if I do not set Jerusalem above my highest joy!

[Psa 122:6 ESV] 6 Pray for the peace of Jerusalem! "May they be secure who love you!

[Isa 62:1, 6-7 ESV] 1 For Zion's sake I will not keep silent, and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be quiet, until her righteousness goes forth as brightness, and her salvation as a burning torch. ... 6 On your walls, O Jerusalem, I have set watchmen; all the day and all the night they shall never be silent. You who put the LORD in remembrance, take no rest, 7 and give him no rest until he establishes Jerusalem and makes it a praise in the earth.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=c9jwipOVS0s>

<https://www.thetorah.com/article/an-ancient-precedent-for-the-yom-kippur-war>

Two Roman conquests of Jerusalem (Pompey in 63 B.C.E. and Sosius in 37 B.C.E.) purportedly happened on "the day of the fast," during which the Jews barely defended themselves. Is this a reference to Yom Kippur . Oct.6

<https://www.holylandsite.com/israel-history-timeline>





FROM FOREIGN RULE TO DYNASTY

Under Simon, the Revolt Begins to Take Shape as a Nation



1. CENTURIES UNDER FOREIGN RULE

For centuries, the Jews lived under the control of distant empires.



BABYLON
586–539 BC



PERSIA
539–332 BC



PTOLEMIES
332–200 BC



SELEUCIDS
200–142 BC

Decades of oppression and heavy rule opened the door for change and the hope of self-determination.



2. DEMETRIUS CHOOSES SIMON



Demetrius II faced a serious threat from Tryphon, a powerful rival.



He needed friends, not enemies. Simon offered loyalty and stability.



Rather than squeezing Judea for more taxes, Demetrius backed Simon as his trusted partner.



This alliance gave Simon freedom to govern, defend, and build.

3. SIMON STRENGTHENS JUDEA



He rebuilt and enlarged his army.



He fortified Jerusalem and secured key strongholds.



He advanced Jewish control across the land.



For the first time in generations, Judea moved from resistance toward recognized rule.



4. JOPPA AND THE COAST



Joppa is a key Mediterranean port on the coast of Judea.



It opens the door to trade, travel, supplies, and wider influence.



Control of Joppa strengthens the economy and Judea's connection to the world.



NEW TESTAMENT NOTE
Peter was staying in Joppa (Acts 10) when messengers arrived from Cornelius in Caesarea.



5. FROM LEADERSHIP TO DYNASTY

The leadership of the revolt is becoming a dynasty—rooted in faith, courage, and a vision for the nation.



MATTATHIAS
The spark is lit.



JUDAH
The warrior leads the fight.



JONATHAN
The builder of alliance.



SIMON
The leader who secures the future.

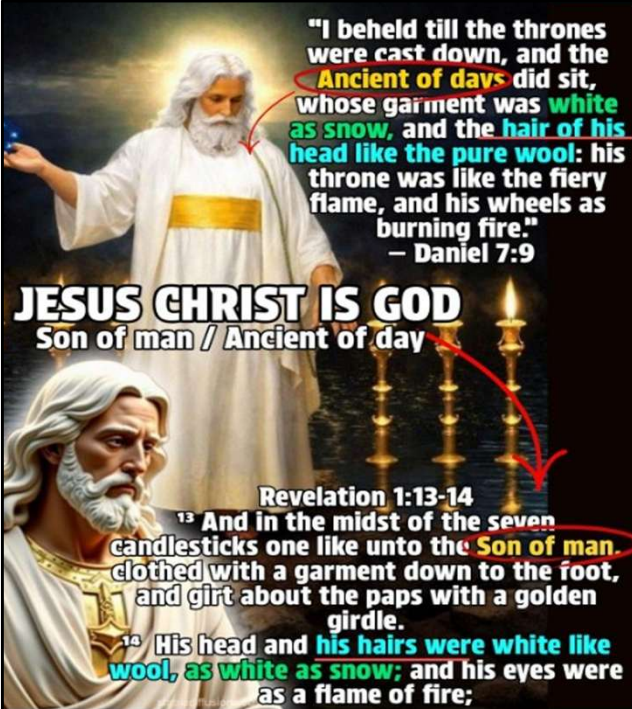
The revolt is no longer just resistance—it is becoming a nation.



Under Simon, the opportunity for national freedom is real.
From centuries of foreign rule, a people is rising as a nation.



SLIDE 5



"I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire."
— Daniel 7:9

JESUS CHRIST IS GOD
Son of man / Ancient of day

Revelation 1:13-14
¹³ And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.
¹⁴ His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire;

"As I looked, thrones were placed, and the Ancient of Days took his seat; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and came out from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the court sat in judgement, and the books were opened.
(Chapter 10)
Daniel 7:9-10

and in the midst of the lampstands **one like a son of man**, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. **The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire**, his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.
Revelation 1:13-16

The number of mounted troops was twice **ten thousand times ten thousand**; I heard their number
Revelation 9:16 (ESV)

And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. **Then another book was opened, which is the book of life.** And the dead were judged by what was written in the books, according to what they had done.
Revelation 20:12

the Ancient of Days One like Son of Man

See the Ancient of Days, The Son of Man!

[Dan 7:13 ESV] **13 "I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him.**

[Rev 1:13-16 ESV] **13 and in the midst of the lampstands one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest. 14 The hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow. His eyes were like a flame of fire, 15 his feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace, and his voice was like the roar of many waters. 16 In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength.**

[Rev 9:16 ESV] **16 The number of mounted troops was twice ten thousand times ten thousand; I heard their number.**

[Dan 7:14-15 ESV] **14 And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that**

all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed. 15 "As for me, Daniel, my spirit within me was anxious, and the visions of my head alarmed me.

Daniel 10:5-9	Revelation 1:12-17
"a man clothed in linen"	"son of man, clothed with a long robe"
"belt of fine gold"	"with a golden sash around his chest"
"body like beryl"	
	"hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow"
"face like the appearance of lightning"	"face was like the sun shining in full strength"
"eyes like flaming torches"	"eyes were like a flame of fire"
"arms and legs like burnished bronze"	"feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace"
"words like the sound of a multitude"	"voice was like the roar of many waters"
	"in his right hand he held seven stars"
	"from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword"
"fell on face in deep sleep"	"fell at his feet as though dead"

Identical Twins/Mirror Images

Dan 8:3 I raised my eyes and saw, and behold,

[Dan 10:5-9 ESV] 5 I **lifted up my eyes and looked, and behold**, a man clothed in linen, with a **belt of fine gold** from Uphaz around his waist. 6 His **body was like beryl**, his **face like the appearance of lightning**, his **eyes like flaming torches**, his **arms and legs like the gleam of burnished bronze**, and the sound of his **words like the sound of a multitude**. 7 And I, Daniel, alone saw the vision, for the men who were with me did not see the vision, but a great trembling fell upon them, and they fled to hide themselves. 8 So I was left alone and saw this great vision, and no strength was left in me. My radiant appearance was fearfully changed, and I retained no strength. 9 Then I heard the sound of his words, and as I heard the sound of his words, I **fell on my face in deep sleep with my face to the ground**.

[Rev 1:12-17 ESV] 12 Then I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me, and on turning I saw seven golden lampstands, 13 and in the midst of the lampstands **one like a son of man, clothed with a long robe and with a golden sash around his chest**. 14 The **hairs of his head were white, like white wool, like snow**. His **eyes were like a flame of fire**, 15 his **feet were like burnished bronze, refined in a furnace**, and his

voice was like the roar of many waters. 16 In his right hand he held seven stars, from his mouth came a sharp two-edged sword, and his face was like the sun shining in full strength. 17 When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last,

In the End each time they were Worshipped!!