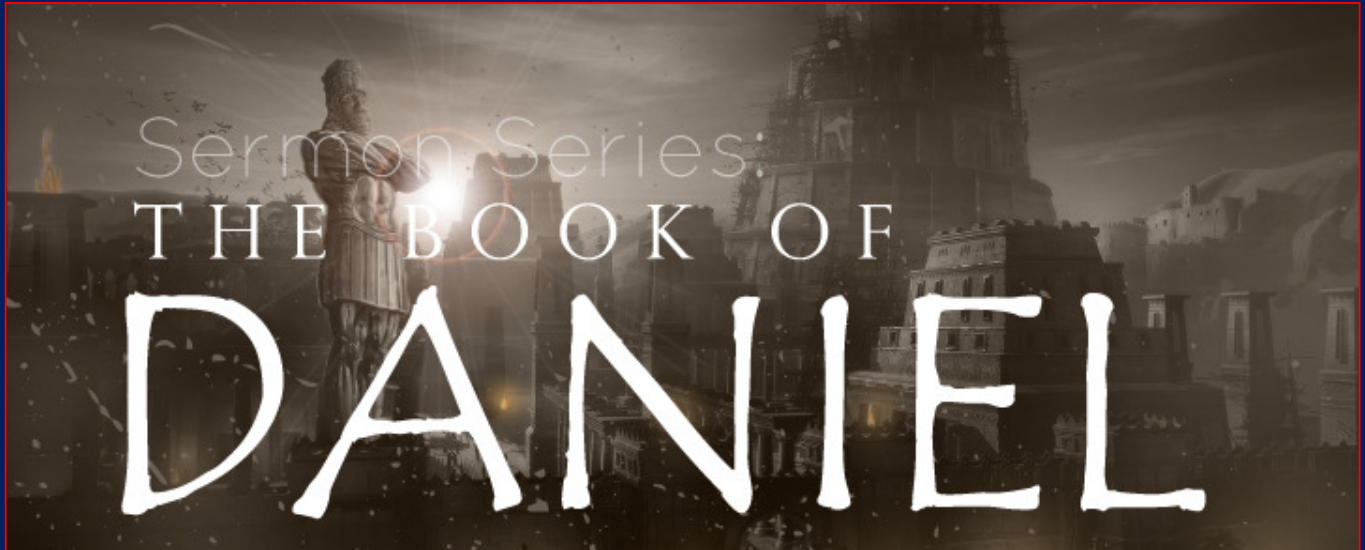


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# DANIEL 10-12

## THE FINAL VISION



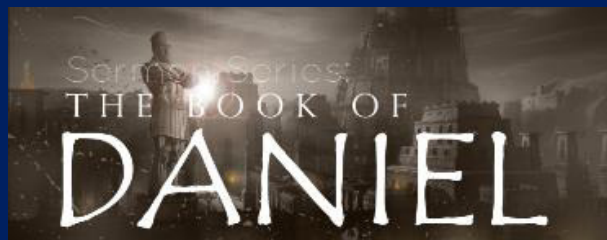
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<b>1:1</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> year of Jehoiakim</b>
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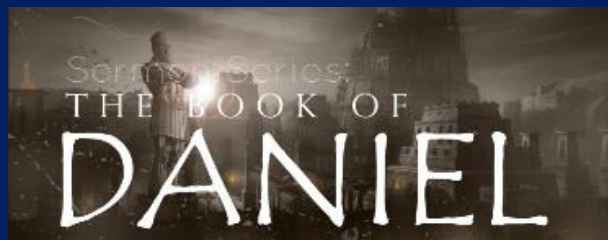
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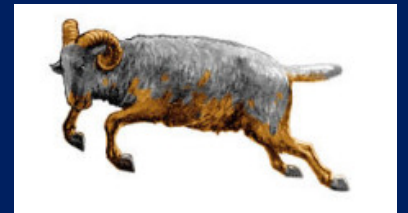
A. Cambyses 530-523 BC

B. Pseudo-Smerdis 522 BC

C. Darius I Hystaspes 521-486 BC

D. Xerxes 485-465 BC

Aka. "Ahasuerus" in Esther



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## GREECE 11:3-4

### A. Alexander the Great

1. Died at age 33 in 323 BC
2. No heirs
3. Kingdom divided among his 4 generals

### B. Daniel 7:6, 8:5-8



## Four Generals

Daniel 7:6; 8:8, 22

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## PTOLEMIES AND SELEUCIDS 11:5-20

- A. History of warfare between the 2 dynasties
- B. Ptolemies of Egypt vs. Seleucids of Syria
- C. King of the South vs. King of the North
- D. From 323 BC – 175 BC
- E. The beautiful land = Israel
- F. Cassander and Lysimachus not in view
- G. Key transition in 198 B.C.
- H. Selective and non-comprehensive history
- I. What is at stake?

<b>KINGS OF THE SOUTH (EGYPT)</b>	<b>KINGS OF THE NORTH (SYRIA)</b>
Ptolemy I (Soter) 323–285	Seleucus I (Nicator) 312–281
Ptolemy II (Philadelphus) 285–247	Antiochus I (Soter) 281–261
Ptolemy III (Euregetus) 247–221	Antiochus Theos 261–246
Ptolemy IV (Philopater) 221–220	Seleucus Callinicus 246–226
Ptolemy V (Epiphanes) 203–182	Seleucus III 226–223
	Antiochus III (Great) 223–187
	Seleucus IV (Philopater) 186–175
	Antiochus IV (Epiphanes) 175–164

Paul N. Benware, Commentary on the Book of Daniel: The Coming Judgment of the Nations; Daniel's Prophecy of Things to Come (Clifton, TX: Scofield Ministries, 2007), 233.

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## **Intertestamental Chronology (Dates BC)**

### **SELEUCIDS**

**Seleucus I  
312-281**

**Antiochus I  
281-261**

**Antiochus II  
261-246**

**Seleucus II  
246-226**

**Seleucus III  
226-223**

**Antiochus III  
223-187**

**Seleucus IV Philapator  
187-175**

**Antiochus IV Epiphanes  
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# Little Horn Slide



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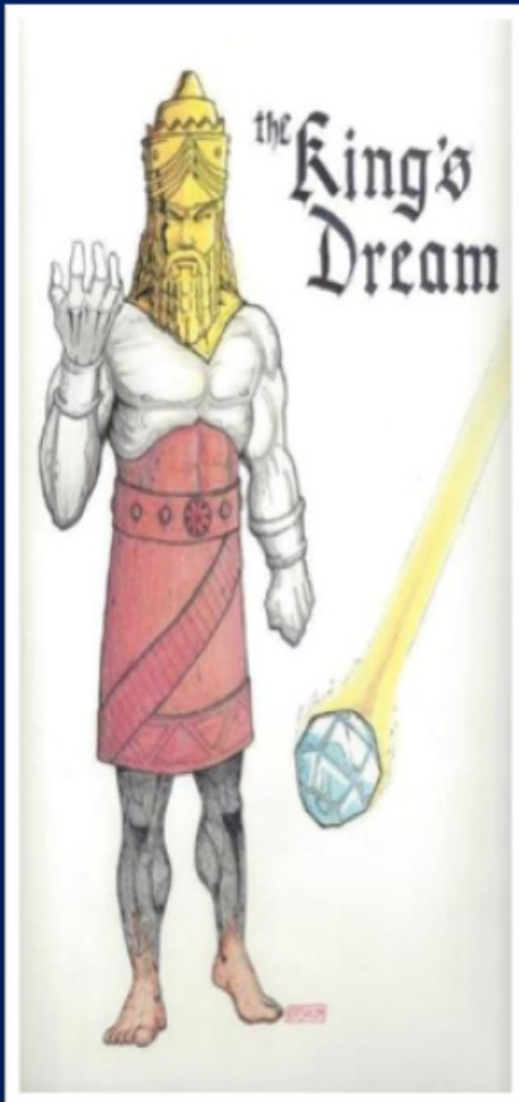
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## Daniel 11:25-30 Overview

- A. Military activities of Antiochus IV vs. Ptolemies (Egypt) & Israel
- B. Fading third empire (Greece)
- C. Rising fourth empire (Rome)
- D. Leading to Abomination of Desolation (Dan. 11:31)



# Statue & Stone

2. A Statue and a Stone



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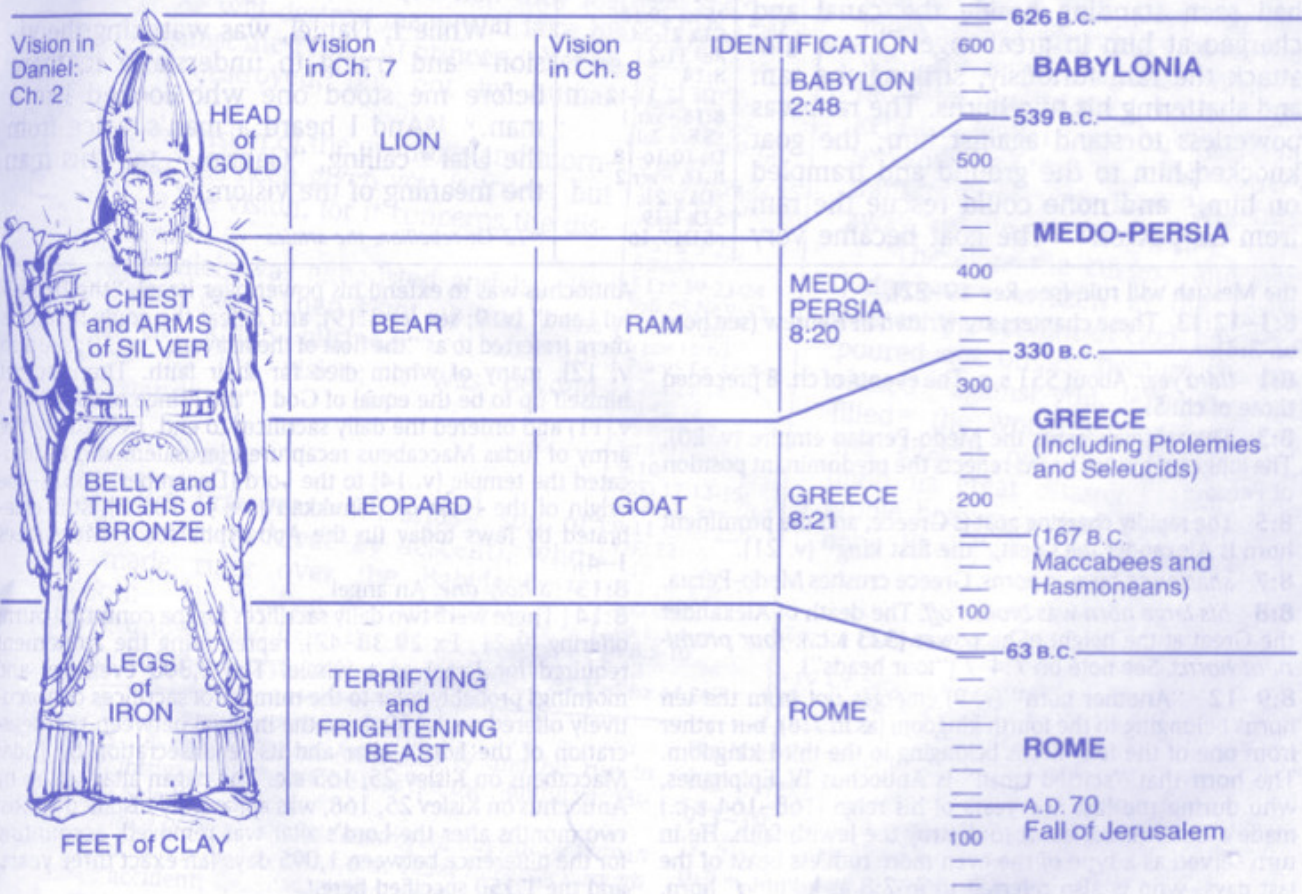
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# Identification of the Four Kingdoms

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## Daniel 11:25-26

1. Ptolemy VI Philometer (son of Cleopatra of Egypt) readies for an attack against the Syrians & Antiochus IV
2. Antiochus' IV preemptive attack against Egypt
3. Egyptian disunity & conspiracy at the highest levels
4. Antiochus' IV victory over Egypt
5. Ongoing confusion and disunity in Egypt
6. Rival throne in Egypt between Ptolemy VI and his younger brother Ptolemy VII Physkon
7. Antiochus IV departs thinking the Egyptians will destroy themselves

## Daniel 11:27

1. Warfare between Syria and Egypt indecisive
2. Treaties and agreements put on the table
3. Not done for desire for peace but rather out of kings' "intent on evil" to get advantage over the other side
4. Sitting down at the "same table" is indicative of Middle Eastern agreements
5. Characterized by spoken "lies," deception, and ineffectiveness since "the end is still to come" "at the appointed time"

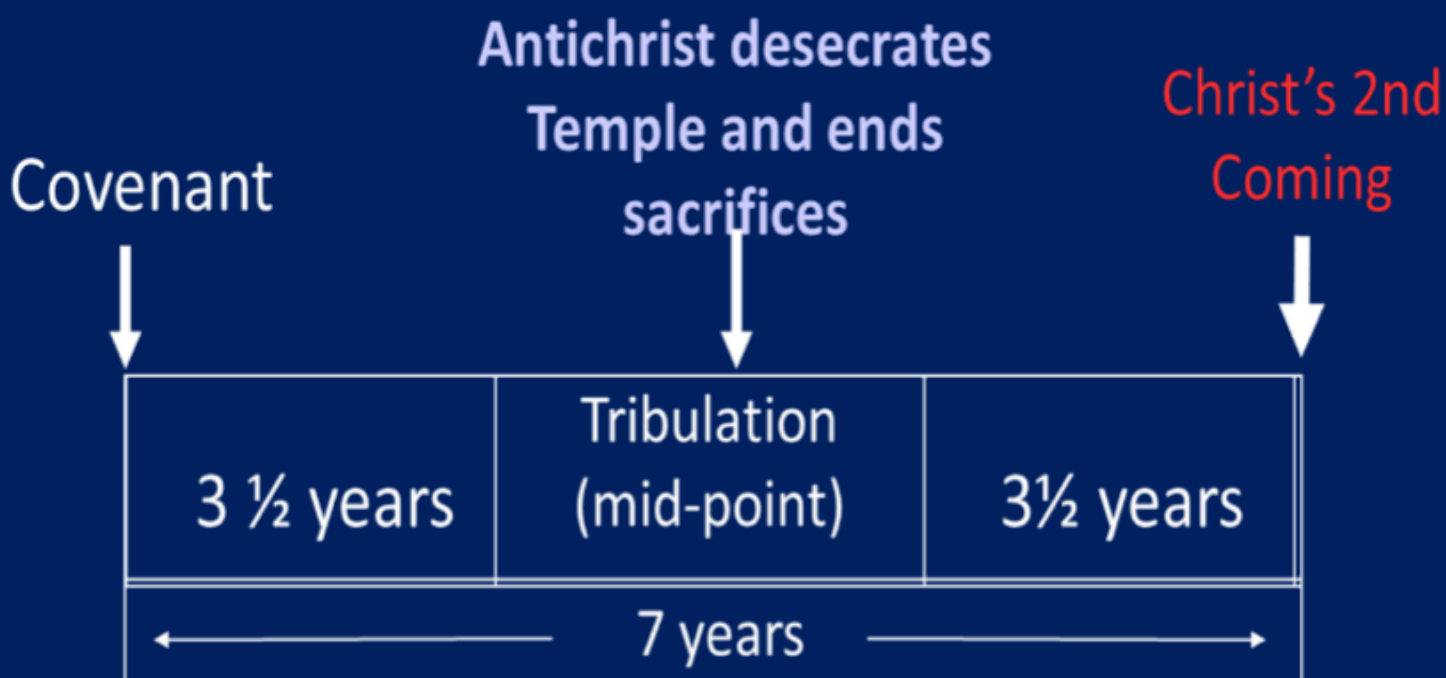


## Daniel 9:27 (NASB)

And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations *will come* one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate.



## DAN 9:27 OVERVIEW OF TRIBULATION PERIOD



## Daniel 11:28

1. Although Antiochus IV did not conquer Egypt, he left with “much plunder” or the spoils of war
2. As Antiochus IV returned to Syria he revealed his hatred for Israel (“the people of the covenant’)
3. Antiochus IV paused long enough in Israel to plunder the Temple and murder many Hebrew people

## *Apocrypha of the Old Testament*

(1 Maccabees 1:20–25). Charles, R. H. (Ed.) (1913). Oxford: Clarendon Press.

“<sup>20</sup> And Antiochus, after he had smitten Egypt, returned in the one hundred and fifty-third year, and went up against Israel and Jerusalem with a great army. <sup>21</sup> And in (his) arrogance he entered into the sanctuary, and took the golden altar, and the candlestick for the light, and all its accessories, <sup>22</sup> and the table of the shewbread, and the cups, and the bowls, and the golden censers, and the veil, and the crowns, and the golden adornment on the façade of the Temple, and he scaled it all off. <sup>23</sup> Moreover, he took the silver, and the gold, and the choice vessels; he also took the hidden treasures which he found. <sup>24</sup> And having taken everything, he returned to his own land. <sup>25</sup> ‘And there was great mourning in Israel in every place.’”

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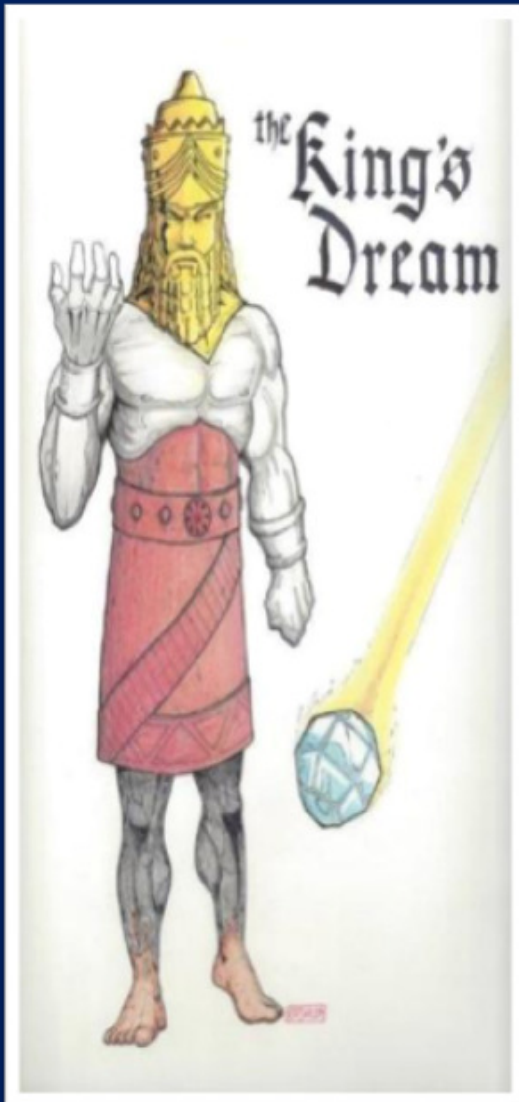


## Daniel 11:29

1. Several years later “at the appointed time”
2. Antiochus IV “will return and come into the south” by launching yet another attack on the Ptolemies of Egypt
3. “But...it will not turn out like it did before” since the Ptolemy brothers (Ptolemy VI & VII) now ruling a united Egypt & the rise of Rome ended Antiochus IV Egyptian conquest

## Daniel 11:30

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2. Rome stopped Antiochus IV from conquering Greece
3. Rome sent Caius Popilius Lenas with soldiers to Egypt
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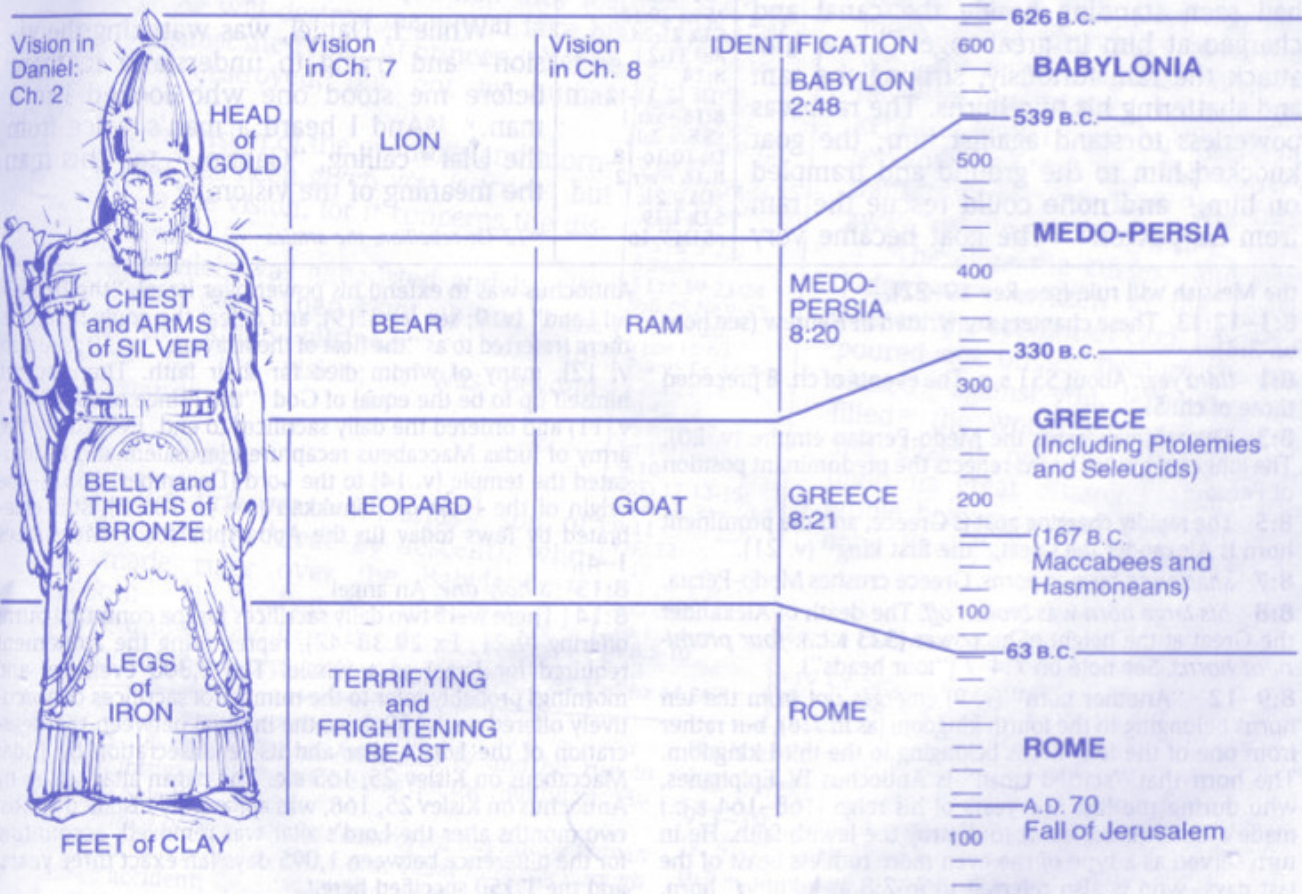
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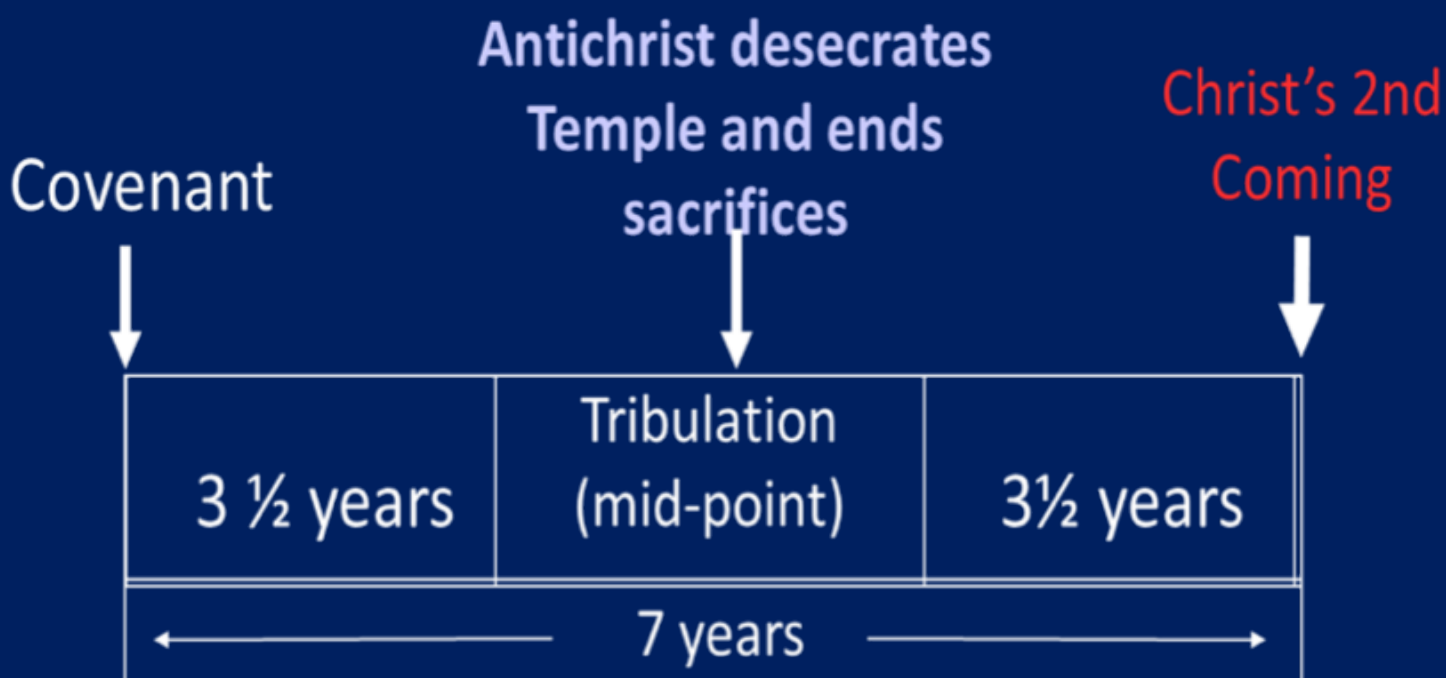
1. Antiochus IV promoted Hellenism
2. Antiochus IV outlawed Judaism
3. Antiochus IV desecrated the Temple
4. Antiochus IV terminated Israel's animal sacrifices
5. This period represented some of the darkest eras for Judaism
6. It is also predicted in Daniel 8:9-14

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## Daniel 11:32-35 Overview

A. Israeli response to Antiochus IV

B. Two groups within Israel

1. Hellenism's resisters

2. Hellenism's embracers

## Daniel 11:32-34

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# HANUKKAH

- The Maccabean revolt
- December 25<sup>th</sup> 164 BC, the temple is liberated and rededicated
- 1 & 2 Maccabees
- The miracle of the lamp oil
- Hanukkah “Feast of Dedication” (festival of lights).
- Christmas / Jewish Holiday
- John 10:22-24



## Levitical Feasts (Lev. 23)

<b>Feast</b>	<b>Season</b>	<b>Purpose</b>	<b>Type</b>
<b>Passover</b>	Spring	Redemption	1 Cor. 5:7
<b>Unleavened Bread</b>	Spring	Separation	John 6:35
<b>1st fruits</b>	Spring	Praise	1 Cor. 15:20
<b>Pentecost</b>	Spring	Praise	Acts 2:1-4
<b>Trumpets</b>	Fall	New Year	Matt. 24:31
<b>Atonement</b>	Fall	Lev 16	Zech. 12:10
<b>Booths</b>	Fall	Wilderness provision	Zech. 14:16-18

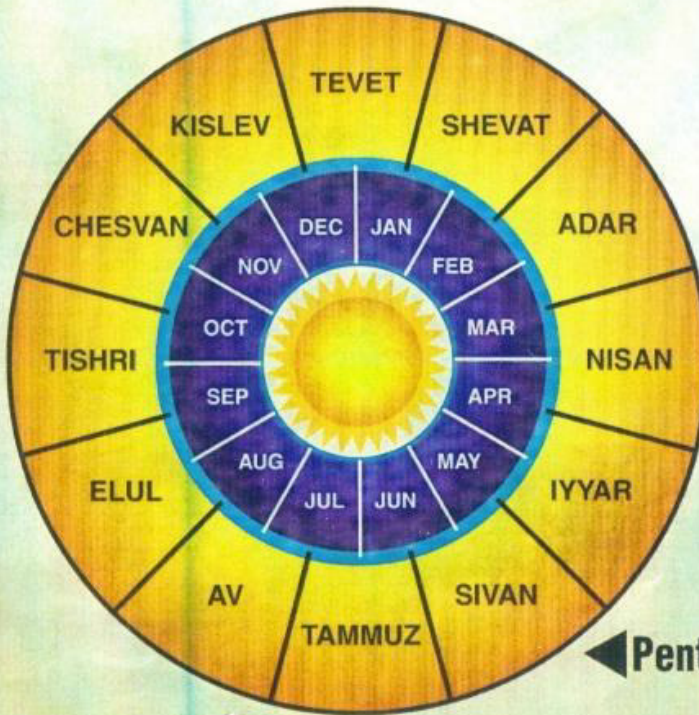
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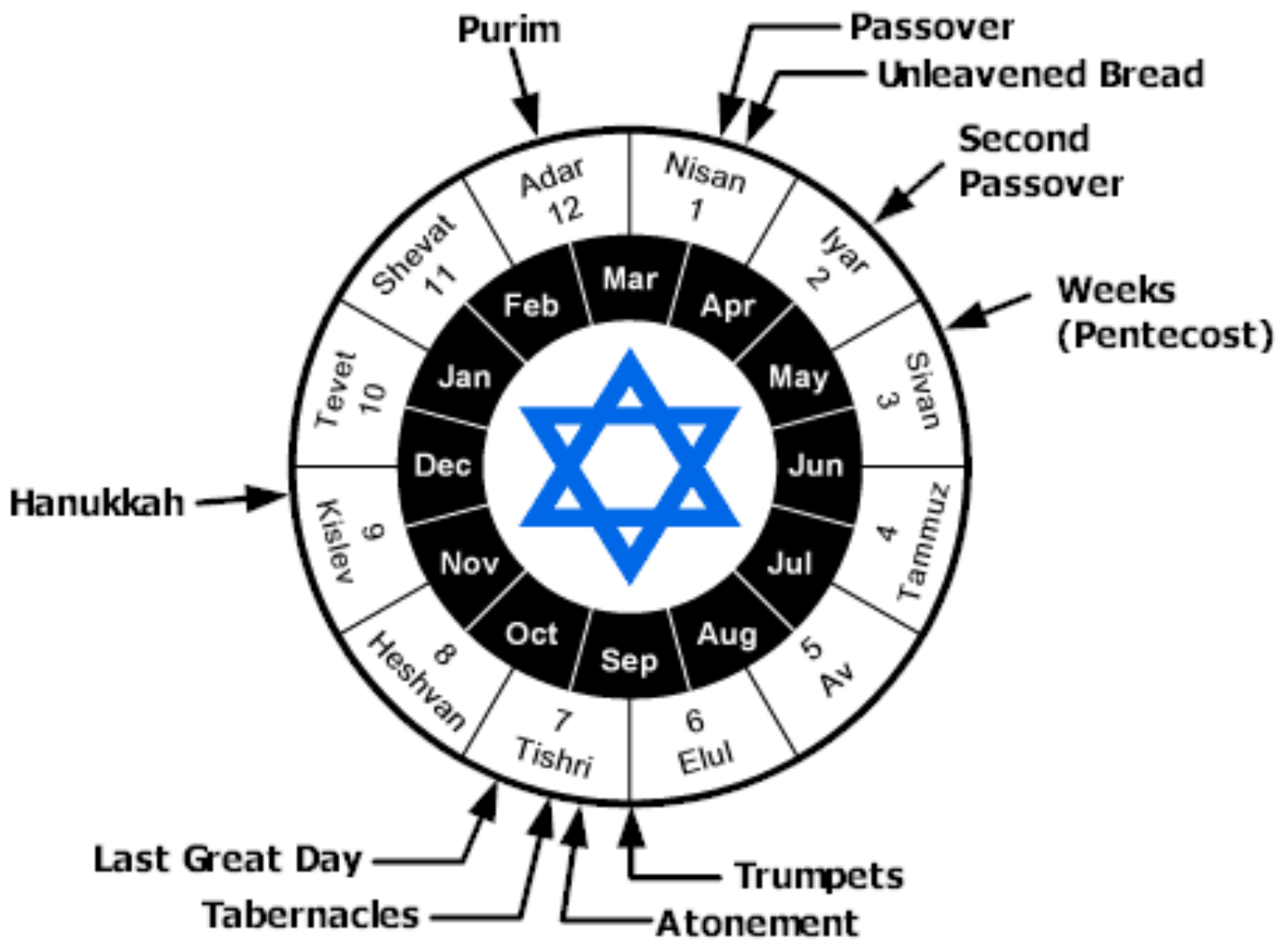
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**Tabernacles** ▶  
**Atonement** ▶  
**Trumpets** ▶

◀ **Passover**  
◀ **Unleavened Bread**  
◀ **Firstfruits**

◀ **Pentecost**





## John 10:22-24

“At that time the Feast of the Dedication took place at Jerusalem; <sup>23</sup> it was winter, and Jesus was walking in the temple in the portico of Solomon. <sup>24</sup> The Jews then gathered around Him, and were saying to Him, “How long will You keep us in suspense? If You are the Christ, tell us plainly.”



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## Daniel 11:35

1. Defectors vs. loyalists created a purifying process
2. Process to continue “until the end time” and “the appointed time”
3. Foretaste of Zechariah 13:8-9

## Zechariah 13:8-9

<sup>8</sup>“It will come about in all the land,” Declares the LORD, **“That two parts in it will be cut off and perish; But the third will be left in it.”** <sup>9</sup> And I will bring **the third part** through the fire, Refine them as silver is refined, And test them as gold is tested. They will call on My name, And I will answer them; I will say, ‘They are My people,’ And they will say, ‘The LORD is my God.’ ”



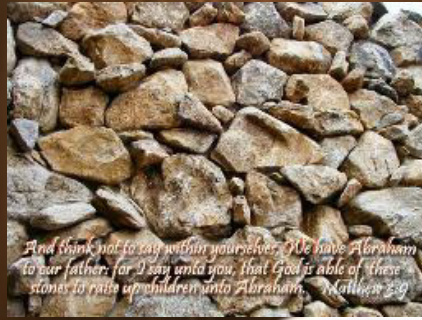


# Discontinuity Between Israel & the Church

	ISRAEL	CHURCH
Governing principle	Law	NT
Relation to HS	Selective, temporary, subsequent	Universal, permanent, at moment of salvation
Farewell address	Olivet Discourse	Upper Room Discourse
Designation	First Born Son	Bride of Christ
Revealed in OT	Yes	No
Evangelism	Come & See	Go & Proclaim
Blessings	Earthly	Heavenly
<u>Composition</u>	<u>Believers &amp; Unbelievers</u>	<u>Believers Only</u>

## Matthew 3:9

“and do not suppose that you can say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham for our father’; for I say to you that from these stones God is able to raise up children to Abraham.”



## Romans 2:28-29

“<sup>28</sup> For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly, nor is circumcision that which is outward in the flesh. <sup>29</sup> But he is a Jew who is one inwardly; and circumcision is that which is of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter; and his praise is not from men, but from God.”



## Romans 9:6

“But *it is* not as though the word of God has failed. For they are not all Israel who are *descended* from Israel.”

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of Israel

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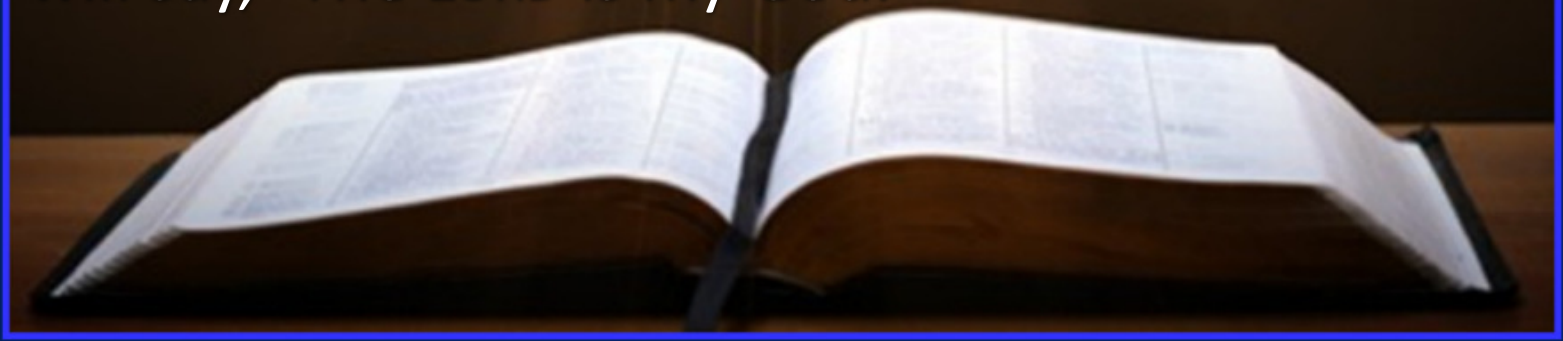
## Revelation 2:9

“I know your tribulation and your poverty (but you are rich), and the blasphemy by those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan.”



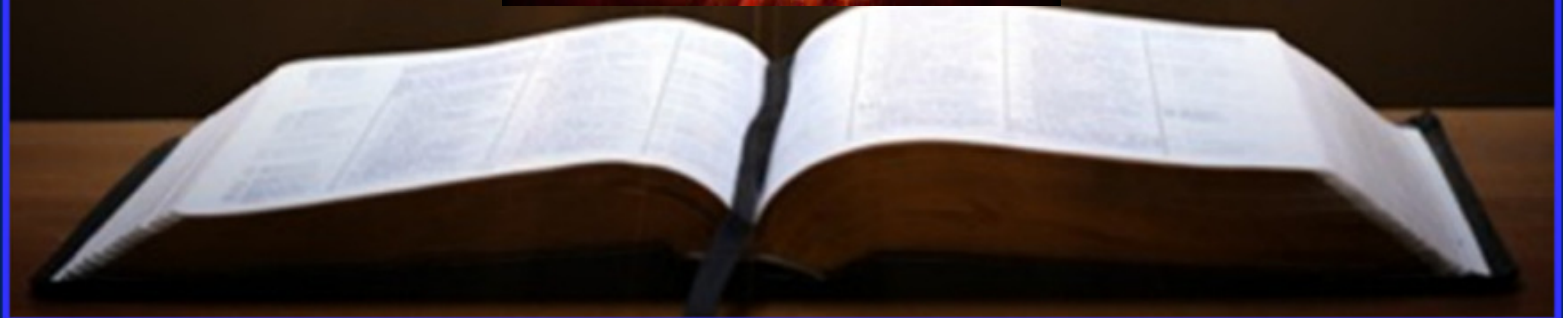
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## 1 Corinthians 12:13

“For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we were all made to drink of one Spirit.”



## 1 Corinthians 3:1-3 (NKJV)

<sup>1</sup>And I, brethren, could not speak to you as to spiritual people but as to carnal, as to babes in Christ.

<sup>2</sup> I fed you with milk and not with solid food; for until now you were not able *to receive it*, and even now you are still not able; <sup>3</sup> for you are still carnal. For where *there are* envy, strife, and divisions among you, are you not carnal and behaving like mere men?





## 4 Kinds of People from 1 Corinthians 3:1-3



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(Daniel 11:21-35)



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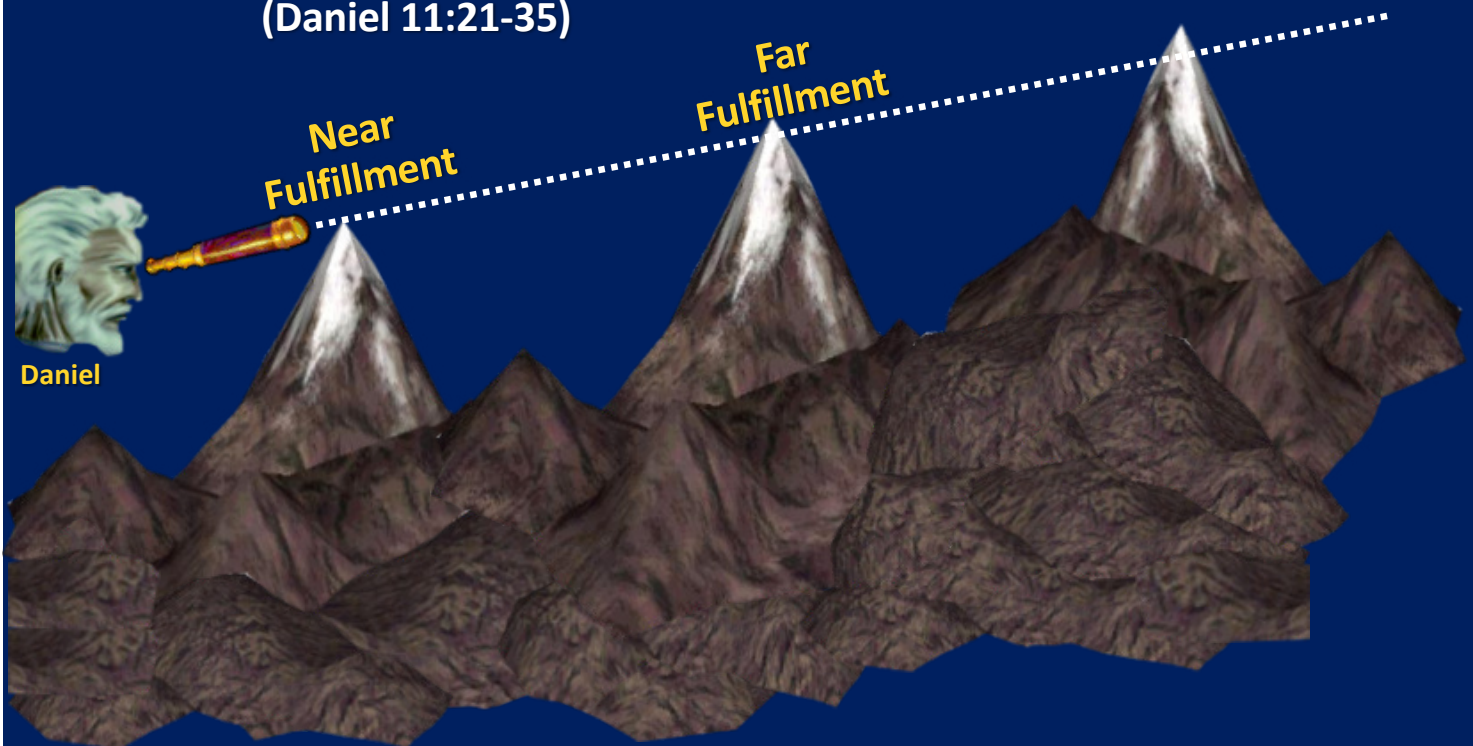
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## Antichrist

(Daniel 11:36-45)



## Why is Daniel 11:36-45 About Antichrist and not Antiochus IV?

1. It does not fit the known facts of history
2. The king is not from the North only but is in conflict with both the North and the South
3. It is consistent with the prophecies about the future Antichrist (Dan. 7; 2 Thess. 2; Rev. 13; 17)
4. The Antichrist is prominent in Daniel's earlier prophecies ("little horn" of Dan. 7)
5. Prophetic gaps are common in Scripture

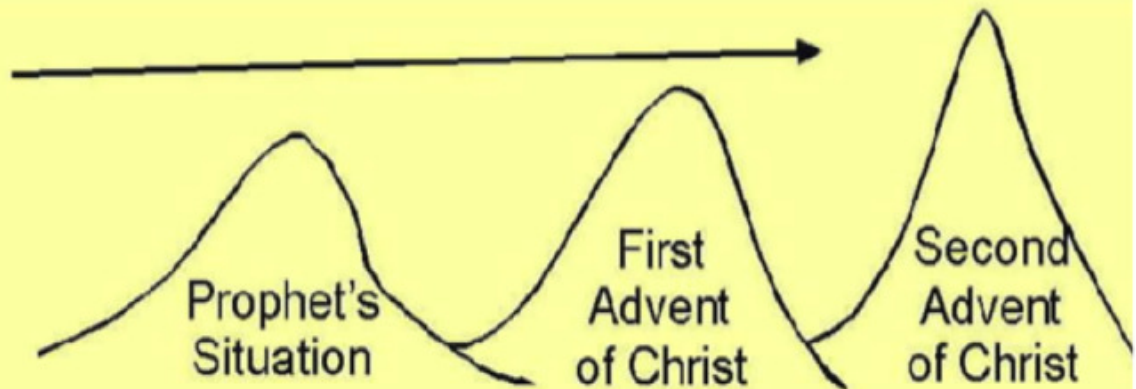
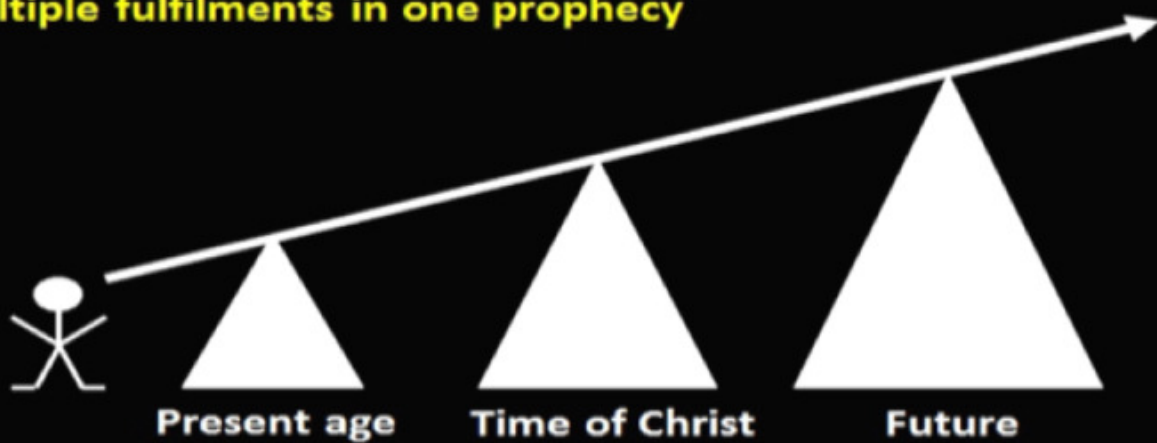
## 6 Reasons for Gap in the 70 Weeks Prophecy (Dan. 9:24-27)

1. Events prophesied v.26
  - Messiah crucified v.26a
  - 70 AD holocaust v.26b
2. Prophecies in Dan. 9:24 would have been fulfilled 7 years after Palm Sunday
3. Jesus indicated a gap - (Matt. 24:15, 21-22, 29-30)
4. Daniel 9:27 was never fulfilled historically
5. Gap occurs elsewhere - (Is. 61:1-2; Luke 4:16-21; Isaiah 9:6)
6. Early church fathers indicated a gap



# Mountain Peaks of Prophecy

Multiple fulfilments in one prophecy



## Zechariah 9:9-10

<sup>9</sup> Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion! Shout *in triumph*, O daughter of Jerusalem! Behold, your king is coming to you; He is just and endowed with salvation, Humble, and mounted on a donkey, Even on a colt, the foal of a donkey.<sup>10</sup> I will cut off the chariot from Ephraim And the horse from Jerusalem; And the bow of war will be cut off. And He will speak peace to the nations; And His dominion will be from sea to sea, And from the River to the ends of the earth.



## Isaiah 9:6-7

<sup>6</sup> For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.<sup>7</sup> There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his kingdom, To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness From then on and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this.



## Isaiah 61:1-2

<sup>1</sup> The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me, Because the LORD has anointed me To bring good news to the afflicted; He has sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, To proclaim liberty to captives And freedom to prisoners;<sup>2</sup> To proclaim the favorable year of the LORD And the day of vengeance of our God; To comfort all who mourn.



## Luke 4:16-21

<sup>16</sup> And He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up; and as was His custom, He entered the synagogue on the Sabbath, and stood up to read.

<sup>17</sup> And the book of the prophet Isaiah was handed to Him. And He opened the book and found the place where it was written,<sup>18</sup>

**“THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR. HE HAS SENT ME TO PROCLAIM RELEASE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERY OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET ...**



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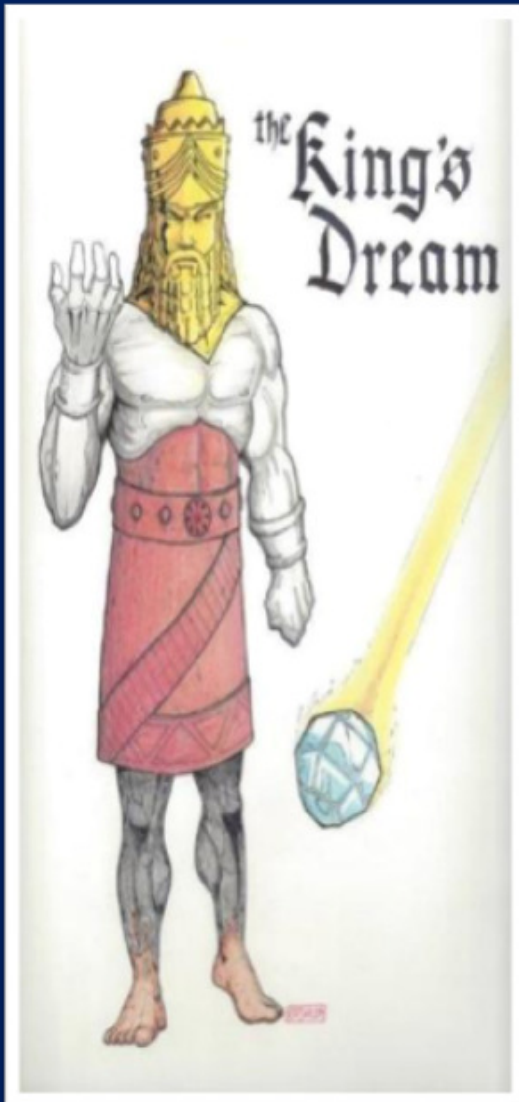
...FREE THOSE WHO ARE OPPRESSED,<sup>19</sup> TO PROCLAIM THE FAVORABLE YEAR OF THE LORD.<sup>20</sup> And He closed the book, gave it back to the attendant and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on Him. <sup>21</sup> And He began to say to them, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing."



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# Statue & Stone





## 1 Peter 1:10-11

<sup>10</sup> As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that *would come* to you made careful searches and inquiries, <sup>11</sup> seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories to follow.



## Why is Daniel 11:36-45 about Antichrist and not Antiochus IV?

6. Many reputable commentators have interpreted these verses as referring to the future Antichrist (Jerome; Luther)
7. Contextual indicators
  - a) “At that time” (12:1)
  - b) “Latter days” (10:14)
  - c) “At the time of the end” (11:40)
  - d) “The indignation” (11:36)

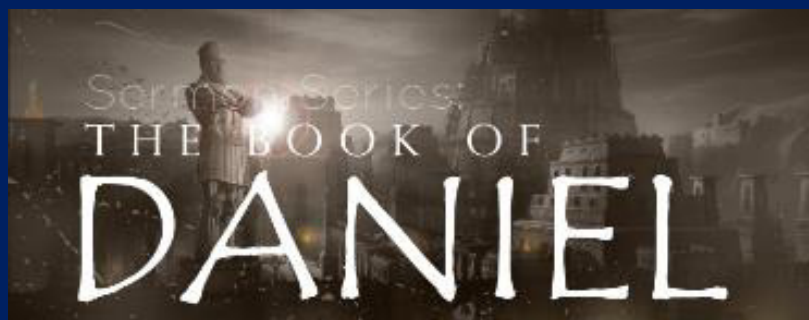
## Chapter 10–12 Outline

- I. The Setting (10:1-3)
- II. Arrival of the Heavenly Messenger (10:4-9)
- III. Explanation of the Heavenly Messenger (10:10–11:1)
- IV. The Prophecy of the Heavenly Messenger (11:2–12:13)



## Purpose

To encourage Judah by emphasizing the sovereignty of God during the Babylonian captivity and to teach Judah how to live while outside the land





“The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace.”  
(NIV)