



**B**eware, the man of fierce countenance.  
Men of valor have arisen through the ages of time. They have waxed valiant in fight, they have become men of renown, leading their nations to triumph. They become the undisputed, undefeated champions of the world.

But each has a kryptonite. Hear the words of a father: Son I can save you from many troubles. Troubles here and troubles there...a rescue can be sent. But there is one trouble I cannot save you from...I cannot save you from yourself.

Daniel Series, Eleven: Beware, The Man Of Fierce Countenance

The greatest kings and the greatest kingdoms have risen and fallen. Where is thy great Babylon? It is but a memory of the pages of life. And “self” was the downfall.

*“He increaseth the nations, and destroyeth them: he enlargeth the nations, and straiteneth them again.”  
-Job 12:23*

*“Righteousness exalteth a nation: but sin is a reproach to any people.” -Proverbs 14:34*

All the great conquerors have been conquered. As the great chalice fills with sin, there is a cup of fury, a cup of trembling that awaits, and the field has a serpent lurking to move in, a man of fierce countenance.

*“In the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, even unto me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first. And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I was at Shushan in the palace, which is in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai. Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last. I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great. And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face*

*of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes. And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power. And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand. Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven. And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land. And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them. Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down. And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered. Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation,*



*to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot? And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.” -Daniel 8:1-14*

A vision of such gore, it causes the prophet to faint and to be sick for days. It is of graphic violence. The he goat, in full gallop, has a full power collision with the ram, crushing the horns off his skull. At impact the ram falls to the ground, the he goat pounces and stomps the ram to a violent, miserable death.

Horns are representative of power, monarchs, or dominion. The he goat with a single notable horn, breaks off the two horns of the ram. Then as the he goat gains much power and waxed strong, “the great horn was broken,” out of which comes four horns, out of which comes a significant single horn, another power, or king, that “waxed exceeding great.” War is an horror. The purpose of the graphic content is due to the complicated prophecy. The importance of the prophecy is crucial enough that a double fulfillment will take place. A campaign of invasions will take place 375 years future of the vision. Antiochus Epiphanes (god manifest, self proclaimed). A preliminary tactic was to bring hellenism to the center of true religion; to pollute the minds of believers with futile, carnal thinking. Not sinful thinking, but far more subtle, just futile temporal thinking. He would introduce the gymnasium. The wide world of sports and “worldly” thinking. Get the minds off things of above, off thoughts of the kingdom. Massive ornate olympic style games that would draw thousands and begin to occupy the mind. Next, to corrupt the culture, he paid large sums of money, in the form of bribes to a certain family, the family of the priesthood. But not just any priest, the high priest. Good money turns good people bad. But the peaceful gestures, “speaking great things,” would only last so long...long enough to deceive. He would set out on a rampage against the nation of Israel with 1,000 men. A full riot in Jerusalem with a murderous, house to house slaughter. Men, women, and children butchered to the tune of 80,000 deaths, with thousands carried away as slaves. He made a bone broth of swine to desecrate the temple, splashing it throughout, and then force the Jews, including the high priest to eat swine flesh. Then the infamous act...Antiochus would kill a sow on the altar, purposely desecrating the holy place, and splattering the blood all over everything. It was abominable.

The final blow...a statue of himself as god was installed in the temple. Yes, the words of the prophets do cry out. Even an elementary Bible student hears it. “He that hath an ear to hear let him hear.”

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Antiochus magnified himself to the bought and paid for prince, the high priest. A small uprising began to occur but was immediately and abruptly put down by the “host,” the temple guards, also bought and paid for.

*“And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered. Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?” -Daniel 8:12-13*

Daniel overhears two saints speaking, likely two angels, who wonder at the dealings between men and God. “What is man that thou art mindful of him?” They speak between themselves and one answers the other. How long will this blaspheme go on?! The other gives the duration, 2,300 days. But this brings difficulty for there is no historicity to such an amount of days. This is due to turning a corner, we are climbing in prophetic altitude. The 2,300 days hasn’t occurred as of yet unto this day. This in particular arouses the prophet for understanding.

*“And it came to pass, when I, even I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man. And I heard a man’s voice between the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision.” -Daniel 8:15-16*

The King of kings makes a preincarnate appearance and gives orders to one of His generals, Gabriel. This is rare material we have come to. Here for this crucial revelation, the curtain of heaven is drawn back.

*“So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto*



*me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end shall be the vision. Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and set me upright. And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be.” -Daniel 8:17-19*

This is known of as the “times of the Gentiles,” the overarching theme of the book of Daniel. The times when the Gentiles reign. He briefly confirms prior prophecy of his own:

*“The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia. And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.” -Daniel 8:20-21*

The ram with two horns...Cyrus and Darius.

The great horn of Greece...Alexander the Great.

Alexander the Great came with such crushing blow as if “not touched the ground,” and stomped the enemy mercilessly.

*“Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.” -Daniel 8:22*

The Grecian empire was divided unto four vassal kings. But then another turn...another rise in altitude, which is a pearl of great price hidden in a field.

*“And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full...” -Daniel 8:23*

The phrase “when the transgressors are come to the full,” causes angels to tremble. Daniel is writing of the transfer of power...of dominion. There was an initial transfer of power, so significant that all the world hath been told, one marked by grandiose of miracles. The Red Sea parting. A Global superpower relinquished power and sovereignty to the new nation of Israel. After 400 years of task-making bondage. And as Daniel sees the vision of nauseating violence, he asks the question that many a man of God has asked, is asking, and will ask: “How long o Lord?” And the answer is as vivid as is rich with the most pungent of taste, bitter-sweet. The answer to the length, four centuries of bondage for the people of God was, “for the iniquity of the Amorites is not yet full.” The long-suffering of God was held out in mercy to the Amorite, their nation in declension, abounding more and more in sin till finally it comes to the full. But isn't it just like our

God, to have the people of God, suffer for the sake of others? But enough, is enough.

It is the signal. The transfer of dominion, the Exodus cometh. But first a king of fierce countenance. Daniel makes transition of focus to the antichrist. There are many antichrists, but there is one coming antichrist. Before advancing, we reverse to a jewel to be observed in the field.

*“And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I was at Shushan in the palace, which is in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai.” -Daniel 8:2*

Shushan the palace...a place of notoriety. For in about thirty years from the writing of the book of Daniel, would be the time of Esther. And wicked Haman would declare a royal edict that all the Jews should be killed, then magnify himself with the king's robe, with the king's ring, and the royal robe, riding upon the king's horse. He magnifies himself as to be king, and as antichrist. The glorious Word of God is a field full of jewels.

Yet consider further the days of the calendar pass...as the Word of God so beautifully proclaims, “and it came to pass,” prophecy becomes history. Daniel pens the history of 175 BC in 553 BC, and as would come to pass in 175 BC, is another transfer of dominion. It is the iron teeth, the Roman Empire on the rise...iron coming to crush.

During the Roman Empire we have the earthly ministry of our Lord. It is at this time, He gives the Olivet Discourse.

*“And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world? And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many. And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.” -Matthew 24:3-6*

The Master speaks of the events leading up to the end. Deception will be at a high level, disinformation, misinformation, psyops, from secret intelligence agencies run by principalities and powers, spiritual wickedness in high places. The same agencies will conduct wars and rumors of wars. There will be earthquakes and pestilences such as the COVID pandemic, and antichrists, many



antichrists, yet there is One to come. Then the Lord makes a reference to the prophecy of Daniel:

*“When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains.” -Matthew 24:15-16*

That which took place in the time of Antiochus Epiphanes 175 BC was but a glimpse of the coming villain, the antichrist.

*“And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.” -Daniel 8:23*

The globe is drowning in the cesspool of sin. Choking as a herd of drowning swine. The final dual blow to civilization...sodomy and pedophilia. Chaos ensues. Every other sin is naturally under the attempt to cloak, to hide, the natural instinct of right and wrong. Even the habitual liar has the natural desire not to be lied to. The transgressor naturally does not want to be transgressed against because it is God’s nature written in the heart. But, “having their conscience seared with a hot iron.” Sodomy and pedophilia are openly promulgated, causing chaos amidst a world of confusion and deception.

Notice, the Lord rained fire and brimstone destroying only one society for one class of sin. And it was due to the fact that He “heard their cry,” the pain and anguish they suffered. The foundation of a civilization destroyed. Humanity will again cry out to big government, their savior, and the man of fierce countenance will be waiting.

The deceiver, the counterfeiter, will be as Solomon of old, as the wisest king ever, save Jesus Christ. Even the Queen of Sheba traversed all the way from Africa.

“And Solomon told her all her questions: there was not anything hid from the king, which he told her not.”

Fierce countenance, a look “more stout than his fellows,” impressive to see and hear. He will understand dark sentences, including the afterlife “...and I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed.” (See Revelation 13:3.) Satan, the evil one, acts as the “Comforter,” the Holy Spirit, “And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness.”

-The Apostle Paul.

Be advised, the Word of truth is the standard. The bedrock. For even the Archangel Michael “durst not bring railing accusation against him.”

*“And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.” -Daniel 8:24-25*

The Stone cut out without hands...the Cornerstone, the Chief Stone, our Champion, doth reign forever and ever Amen.

*“And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days.” -Daniel 8:26*

To the nations of the world that turn their back on Jesus Christ and His word...MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.

Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.

