Who Is the Real Antichrist?



The author, Jerry O'Donnell, of *What Does It Mean for the World to Have ONE MIND?* and *I Have Come to Deceive the Whole World* now releases a third new publication *Who Is the Real Antichrist?*, an a "who is it" style content. The book does not point the finger or name names but is simply a walk through the books and chapters of the Bible picking out those verses that identify who the antichrist really is. Those that like murder mysteries ought to enjoy finding more than eighty clues that identifies the antichrist and see if they can discover the culprit.

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WHO IS NOT THE ANTICHRIST?

Just about every president of the United States has been on the potential antichrist list since Ronald Reagan and maybe even earlier.

Reagan's determination to take down the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics (USSR) through his Star Wars agenda alarmed everyone.

George Bush senior was labeled as such for his New World Order statement. Bill Clinton did not seem to receive such a title though George W. Bush did for his apparent religious connections. Barack Obama also received the title for his apparent Muslim connection and anti-Christian activities. Trump was a hated man and easily held the label. Joe Biden seems to also pull in the title as well.

Outside of the United States, Adolf Hitler with world domination thoughts placed him on the list along with Napoleon Bonaparte. Mikhail Gorbachev made the list as he seemed to be a world influencer even after the fall of the USSR. Prince Charles of Wales in waiting to take over the world in show of dominance of the British monarchy.

Moving away from the political stage, Bill Gates has been labeled as the antichrist because of his worldwide influence and seemingly having control over people's lives through the use of electronic means and his input with the vaccinations. With his involvement in the medical field, questionable humanitarian activities have caused the antichrist title to really stick to Gates by some in the world.

Even objects have made the list of antichrist with the World Wide Web leading the way where it has been stated that the three W's are actually three VI's, being roman numeral six, and three of them make up the infamous six-six-six.

But what we are about to prove with quite a few facts is that none of these people or the World Wide Web are correctly identified as the antichrist.

WHERE DOES THE CONCEPT OF ANTICHRIST COME FROM?

The word "antichrist" is made up of two words: anti and Christ. Even though the term "antichrist" has made it into secular conversation, the root understanding of the word "antichrist" is born from being the opposite of Jesus Christ. It stems from the Bible. Therefore, this will be a Bible documentary, however, those who are not believers or even readers of the Bible ought to appreciate the amount of research and investigation into the antichrist subject.

With that said, there is hardly a person on earth who has not heard of the term "antichrist". Such has been the topic of many movies and television including Rosemary's Baby, Devil's Advocate, The Omen, Antichrist, The Day of the Beast, Damien, Left Behind, The Vatican Tapes, Fear No Evil, The Omega Code, The Man Who Saw Tomorrow, The Calling, Apocalypse, Pure Evil, South Park, Supernatural, American Dad, The Simpsons, rounding out about 150 titles in all, according to IMDB, an online movie database.

If a survey were taken using the question, "What identifies the antichrist?", leading the list would be that the name adds up to the number of six hundred and sixty-six, yet there are over eighty other identifying marks from the same source that the number comes from that are being ignored. That source is the Bible. It is the purpose of this publication to provide as many distinguishing signs as possible to enable you, using your own reasoning skills, to make the determination, where we shall not name names but allow you to come to your own conclusion.

Now, the term "antichrist" appears in only four verses of the Bible, all by the same writer, though they are in more than one epistle:

1 John 2:18 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.

1 John 2:22 Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.

1 John 4:3 And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that [spirit] of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

2 John 1:7 For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an anti-christ.

Where John states that "ye heard that antichrist shall come" means that there is yet at least one other mention of antichrist not accounted for. Sure, it could have all been verbal, but we did come across two other citations, not by name, but by reference. It seems that John is the only one to coin the term and put it into print.

The apostle Paul makes reference to a god-like person that would work against God or place himself in the position that God holds:

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4 Let no man deceive you by any means: for [that day shall not come], except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

But even so, not everyone had wide use of Paul's epistle. What people did have easier access to was what we call the Old Testament scriptures, either to be able to read for themselves or be taught from during synagogue services. Searching those scriptures, we come across another descriptive characteristic that fits the expected antichrist:

Daniel 7:8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn [were] eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Daniel 7:21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;

Daniel 7:25 And he shall speak [great] words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Daniel 8:25 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 11:36 And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.

The reference to working "against the Prince of princes" in Daniel 8:25 is likely the segue that connects to Who would be known as Jesus Christ. "Prince of princes" is similar to the wording found in 1 Timothy 6:14 of "our Lord Jesus Christ: Which in his times he shall shew, [who is] the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords." And how Jesus could be the King and the Lord as well as the Prince is because we are told that Jesus is known as being "called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6).

So, John is the one who put the word "antichrist" into print while Daniel initially described the antichrist and called it the "little horn". And, one cannot have an antichrist if there were no Jesus Christ because antichrist works against Christ, hence the "anti" in front of the title "Christ".

WHAT OTHER FALSE THEORIES ARE EASILY REFUTED?

Since there are quite a few misapplications of guessing who the antichrist is, let us address them with Bible answers in the form of a question-and-answer format for easier reading.

Question: Could Ronald Wilson Reagan and others be the antichrist because of the six characters in the first name, middle name, and last name, all of which equates to 666?

No. The Bible says, "Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number [is] Six hundred threescore [and] six" (Revelation 13:18). Using other translations of the Bible, the word "calculate" instead of "count" is used. The Bible Lexicon, a book identifying the original language and potential translation of the word, states that the word for "count" could also be translated into the word "calculate", keeping in mind, many use the word "calculate" and "count" interchangeably, hence the Bible is just using the simpler term of "count" but meaning "to calculate". Therefore, it is not as simple as counting the number of letters in each part of the person's name.

Also, the name is to be six hundred sixty-six and not simply six-six-six. In other words, the verse itself tells us how to count up the name by calculating and not simply counting.

Question: Is the Roman numerical system the standard for calculating the number six hundred sixty-six to identify the antichrist?

No. Just because John was held prisoner by Roman authorities does not make the Roman numerical system the standard, nor does the Bible say that. The Bible just says, "Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number [is] Six hundred threescore [and] six" (Revelation 13:18). Just because the Roman political system ruled the world does not make their alphabetic numeral system the standard.

Many Christians and even non-Christians have used the Roman numeral system and applied it to American names to calculate the number six hundred sixty-six. They do so in error.

The intention was that some countries have an alphabet system and numerical system intertwined while others do not. In each country that fuses those systems, one can take the name in question and try to match up the numerical value. So, only names that appear in an intertwined numerical and alphabetical system ought to be considered. In the United States of America, no such intertwining exists, therefore, no American is the antichrist or contender to be the antichrist.

Not only is the Roman alphabetical system and numerical system interlaced, so are several other languages. Translating names into different languages would qualify as proper, such as Nero's name in Hebrew is Neron Caesar, which does seem to add up to six hundred sixty-six. Supposedly Adolf Hitler assigned values to various letters and his name also added up to six hundred sixty-six. That alone, however, does not make Nero or Hitler the antichrist as the antichrist is to fulfill the other eighty plus points of identification as well.

Question: How can it be possible to pinpoint who the antichrist is if it is some unknown future person?

There are two issues with this question. The first is regarding a future antichrist. The Bible says, "Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time" (1 John 2:18). That is not just a play on words by applying the word "antichrist" loosely to refer to anyone against Christ as Paul reaffirms by telling us, "the mystery of iniquity doth already work" (2 Thessalonians 2:7) as connected with Paul's term of antichrist known as "that man of sin" (2 Thessalonians 2:3).

The second issue is the reference to "who". "Who" implies a single person as the antichrist, where John just told us that there was a collection of people that make up antichrist. Further, the antichrist is

identified as a "beast". Revelation 13:1-2 says, "And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as [the feet] of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority." A symbolic beast, as this clearly is, happens to be defined by God through the prophet Daniel. "These great beasts, which are four, [are] four kings, [which] shall arise out of the earth. Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces" (Daniel 7:17, 23). So, a king and his kingdom are what a symbolic beast represents.

That means that all references to a man ought to be brought into closer investigation. In other words, when the Bible states, "man of sin" (2 Thessalonians 2:3), "the number of a man" (Revelation 13:18), and "this horn [were] eyes like the eyes of man" (Daniel 7:8), it may not be an actual man as it could be a title of a man, just like Babylon had successive kings. Babylon may be primarily associated with King Nebuchadnezzar, but we are told someone else was on the throne ruling the kingdom when it fell — "Belshazzar the king" (Daniel 5:1). Now, we do not treat the different reigns as separate empires, so we ought not narrowly think the identification of the man over the antichrist empire is any different. Successive rulers over the empire is how antichrist could have been back in the day of John and Paul, and yet a concern in our day and onward.

In regards to a title instead of a specific person, using the United States as an example, would mean instead of picking on Ronald Wilson Reagan, the position of president should be investigated instead. So the number of a man can refer to the number of the man in charge, like the word "president", "prime minister", "king", etc.

Question: Nero was the antichrist, right?

No. First, Nero was not a kingdom or country. Second, and it is very scriptural, concerning the seven last plagues, which have not yet happened, John penned, "I saw three unclean spirits like frogs [come] out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, [which] go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty" (Revelation 16:13-14). That battle which the antichrist beast plays one third of the role in is what is better known as "Armageddon" (Revelation 16:16). Therefore, all former and evil emperors, kings, etc. that are dead cannot fulfill this prophecy about the antichrist and cannot be the antichrist.

Question: Antiochus IV Epiphanes was the antichrist, right?

No. First, again, he was not a kingdom or country. Second, he, too, is unable to fulfill the seven last plagues and Armageddon preparation. Third, he lived before Jesus Christ. One cannot have an antichrist without a Jesus Christ to compare to, especially when doctrines are involved pitting the doctrines of antichrist against Jesus Christ's doctrines (2 John 1:9).

Question: Are the financial markets the antichrist since the Mark of the Beast is the instrument to buy and sell?

This is putting the cart before the horse. We do not figure out the Beast from the Mark of the Beast. We identify the Beast and then determine what the Mark of the Beast is. And just because the Mark of the Beast influences the ability to buy and sell, that does not make the Mark of the Beast necessarily connected to the financial markets.

Question: Is the Mark of the Beast a credit card or chip or some other purchasing device?

Just because the Mark of the Beast influences the ability to buy and sell does not necessarily make the Mark of the Beast a financial purchasing instrument.

In 1979, during the oil crisis when gasoline was being rationed, the allowance to buy gasoline as a consumer and for a gas station to be allowed to sell gasoline, was determined by the last digit on the license plate of the vehicle attempting to purchase gas. If it was an odd number, a person could buy gasoline on odd calendar days only while those with an even number purchased gasoline on even numbered days. A license plate was not invented to have power to buy or sell, was not part of the financial sector, yet it determined, under a crisis situation, who could buy and sell.

The same is true with the vaccination cards. The ability to buy and sell, participate in events, go to different places, are being determined by a person's ability to prove if they have been vaccinated. Neither vaccines nor vaccination cards have anything to do with the financial markets, yet the cards have been empowered to be the determining factor in people's ability to buy and sell, though in themselves they have no financial backing to be used in making purchases.

Therefore, any object can easily qualify as being the Mark of the Beast if it serves the purpose of proving the ability for people to participate in buying or selling.

WHAT ARE THE VERSES THAT IDENTIFY THE ANTICHRIST?

In this section, we shall supply all of the Bible verses to the best of our ability that in one form or another are associated with antichrist, the followers of antichrist, and even the spirit of antichrist. From these verses, one should be able to accumulate over eighty identifiable marks to be able to identify the antichrist. Keep in mind that all of the items that are found have to be fulfilled to be the antichrist. Also keep in mind, a lack of historical and political knowledge does not mean the identifiable mark failed. Many, even unbelievers, who have studied these references on their own did not like who it appeared to point to as the antichrist and tried to dismiss who it is by guibbling over a handful of points. The odds of one entity fulfilling over forty points is incredible, therefore, one ought to consider that the quibbling over the few points is a lack of knowledge in that area. Yes, the antichrist is to fulfill all of the points but what we have happening in the world today is that many grab only one to three of the points and make an entire theory, even write books, even produce movies, not realizing that many of the other points on the list easily knock out their conclusion, especially the one on the length of reign as well as receiving a deadly wound followed by a healing.

Without any influence from here on out, here are the unaltered verses to read, study, and investigate on your own. Keep in mind, we supplied some context to the point so some of the points contain lots of verses but have little to offer, however, the point is there. Do not get frustrated if all of the details cannot be figured out.

Daniel 7:2-8 Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea. And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another. The first [was] like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it. And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and [it had] three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh. After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it

four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it. After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it [was] diverse from all the beasts that [were] before it; and it had ten horns. I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn [were] eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Daniel 7:11-12 I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld [even] till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time.

Daniel 7:17-26 These great beasts, which are four, [are] four kings, [which] shall arise out of the earth. But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever. Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth [were of] iron, and his nails [of] brass; [which] devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet; And of the ten horns that [were] in his head, and [of] the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even [of] that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look [was] more stout than his fellows. I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom. Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. And the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings [that] shall arise: and another shall rise after them: and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. And he shall speak [great] words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of

the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy [it] unto the end.

Daniel 8:1-12 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.

Daniel 8:19-25 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]. 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. Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power. 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. 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 11:30-45 For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant. And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily [sacrifice], and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate. And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do [exploits]. And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, [many] days. Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries. And [some] of them of understanding shall fall, to try them, and to purge, and to make [them] white, [even] to the time of the end: because [it is] yet for a time appointed. And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done. Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all. But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things. Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge [and] increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain. And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over. He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many [countries] shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, [even] Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon. He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape. But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians [shall be] at his steps. But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many. And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

Daniel 12:11 And from the time [that] the daily [sacrifice] shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, [there shall be] a thousand two hundred and ninety days.

2 Thessalonians 2:2-12 That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for [that day shall not come], except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. Remember ye not, that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things? And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time. For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth [will let], until he be taken out of the way. And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall con-

sume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: [Even him], whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.

- 1 Timothy 4:1-3 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; Forbidding to marry, [and commanding] to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth.
- **2 Timothy 3:1-5** This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.
- 1 John 2:18-23 Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time. They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would [no doubt] have continued with us: but [they went out], that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us. But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things. I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth. Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son. Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: [(but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also].

1 John 4:1-3 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that [spirit] of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.

2 John 1:7-9 For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.

Matthew 7:21-23 Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

Matthew 24:4-5 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.

Matthew 24:11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

Matthew 24:24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if [it were] possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

Revelation 1:1 The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified [it] by his angel unto his servant John:

Revelation 11:1-2 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein. But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty [and] two months.

Revelation 12:10-16 And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death. Therefore rejoice, [ve] heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time. And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man [child]. And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent. And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood. And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

Revelation 13:1-10 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as [the feet] of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who [is] like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him? And there was given unto him a mouth

speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty [and] two months. And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations. And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. If any man have an ear, let him hear. He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

Revelation 13:11-18 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by [the means of] those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live. And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed. And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number [is] Six hundred threescore [and] six.

Revelation 14:6-12 And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth,

and the sea, and the fountains of waters. And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication. And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive [his] mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name. Here is the patience of the saints: here [are] they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

Revelation 16:8-14 And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire. And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory. And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds. And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs [come] out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, [which] go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

Revelation 17:1-18 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with

the wine of her fornication. So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead [was] a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH. And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration. And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns. The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world. when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. And here [is] the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth. And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, [and] the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition. And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him [are] called, and chosen, and faithful. And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues. And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire. For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled. And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

Revelation 18:1-24 And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities. Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double. How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow. Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong [is] the Lord God who judgeth her. And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning, Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come. And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more: The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble, And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men. And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all. The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing, And saying, Alas,

alas, that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls! For in one hour so great riches is come to nought. And every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off, And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What [city is] like unto this great city! And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, Alas, alas, that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness! for in one hour is she made desolate. Rejoice over her, [thou] heaven, and [ye] holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her. And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast [it] into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all. And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft [he be], shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee; And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived. And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

Revelation 19:19-21 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which [sword] proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

Revelation 20:10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet [are], and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

Verses to help with definitions:

Psalms 32:8 I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye.

Psalms 40:8 I delight to do thy will, O my God: yea, thy law [is] within my heart.

Titus 1:16 They profess that they know God; but in works they deny [him], being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate.

Mark 2:7 Why doth this [man] thus speak blasphemies? who can forgive sins but God only?

1 John 3:4 Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law.

Ezekiel 4:6 And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year.

Jeremiah 6:2 I have likened the daughter of Zion to a comely and delicate [woman].

Romans 7:12 Wherefore the law [is] holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good.

Mark 7:13 Making the word of God of none effect through your tradition, which ye have delivered: and many such like things do ye.

Romans 8:3 For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh:

Mark 9:25 When Jesus saw that the people came running together, he rebuked the foul spirit, saying unto him, [Thou] dumb and deaf spirit, I charge thee, come out of him, and enter no more into him.

Isaiah 10:12 Wherefore it shall come to pass, [that] when the Lord hath performed his whole work upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, I

will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks.

John 10:33 The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God.

2 Corinthians 11:2 For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present [you as] a chaste virgin to Christ.

Numbers 14:34 After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, [even] forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, [even] forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise.

WHAT ARE THE POINTS OF IDENTIFICATION OF THE ANTICHRIST?

We are going to go through the same verses from the prior section to see if you found the points of identification that we did. We are going to take each section of verses and reveal what we found. After the list is completely compiled, you should be able to know who the antichrist is without us telling you who it is; in fact, we are not going to tell you. Therefore, if you, from the many points of identification supplied, come to a certain conclusion, like it or not, that is the antichrist. Argue not with us, but with God if you disagree with the conclusion.

Daniel 7:2-8 says, "Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea. And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another. The first [was] like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it. And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and [it had] three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh. After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it. After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it [was] diverse from all the beasts that [were] before it; and it had ten horns. I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn [were] eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things."

To help us understand these symbols, we have to understand that "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and to day, and for ever" (Hebrews 13:8) and that "I and [my] Father are one" (John 10:30), therefore, what these symbols mean in one book of scripture mean the same thing elsewhere. God does not tell Daniel, "Here's the meaning of these animals" and then tells John, "Oh, to you the animals mean

something else." "God is not [the author] of confusion" (1 Corinthians 14:33).

It just so happens that Daniel indeed is told what those animals represent as well as the horns. "These great beasts, which are four, [are] four kings, [which] shall arise out of the earth" (Daniel 7:17). "The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth" (Daniel 7:23). So, symbolic animals in the Bible represent kings and their kingdoms, or better known today as nations.

Now, when it comes to the horns arising out of the fourth beast, the Bible tells us, and Daniel even pens, "And the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings [that] shall arise" (Daniel 7:24). Again, they represent kings and their kingdoms, but being smaller than beasts means that these are not world empires. Further, referring to the horns, "another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings" (Daniel 7:24), not only are there a total of eleven horns but it points to the prior ten horns as simultaneously ruling. The beasts, on the other hand, are sequential, especially by referring to the sequence between the first beast and the second beast using the words, "And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear..." (Daniel 7:5), as well as between the second beast and the rise of the third beast using the words, "After this I beheld, and lo another..." (Daniel 7:6). Between the third and fourth beasts, we also see the words, "After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast..." (Daniel 7:7). All of the uses of "after" are a sequential reference.

The reason this is important is because, in essence, what we have here is a sequence of four kingdoms that influence the world as empires followed by a period of time having ten simultaneous kings ruling. It also appears that after the ten simultaneous kingdoms, "I saw in the night visions, and, behold, [one] like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion [is] an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass

away, and his kingdom [that] which shall not be destroyed" (Daniel 7:13-14). That is God's kingdom.

If one were to compare Daniel 2 and Daniel 7, an honest comparison, one would see the parallel is not by accident. Both chapters refer to four major kingdoms (Daniel 2:40, Daniel 7:23). Both chapters show that after the passing of each of those four kingdoms physically that ten kings then rule simultaneously (Daniel 2:42, Daniel 7:24). Both are followed by an intervention of setting up God's kingdom (Daniel 2:44, Daniel 7:14). In fact, both chapters make reference to iron being connected to the fourth kingdom (Daniel 2:40, Daniel 7:19). The only difference between Daniel 2 and Daniel 7 is that in Daniel 7, an eleventh horn power arises (Daniel 7:24). The conclusion is that Daniel 7 is a repeat of Daniel 2 with a little extra detail, an eleventh horn. That means that we can use Daniel 2 to unlock the meaning of Daniel 7, allowing the scriptures to interpret themselves.

So, when Daniel gave the interpretation of the head of gold by saying to King Nebuchadnezzar, "Thou [art] this head of gold" (Daniel 2:38), we can apply it to being the lion of Daniel 7 (Daniel 7:4). That means that "Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon", or Babylon specifically, is the first of four beasts to rule. Jeremiah 50:17, even connects lions to symbolize Babylon by penning, "Israel [is] a scattered sheep; the lions have driven [him] away: first the king of Assyria hath devoured him; and last this Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon hath broken his bones." This begins a timeline that started in 606 BC and continued to 538 BC thus far.

As Daniel stated in chapter 2, "after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee" (Daniel 2:39), that means we are not so much interested in the king aspect as we are the *kingdom* aspect. And Daniel 5 reveals the transition of power from Babylon to the inferior kingdom, where "Belshazzar the king" (Daniel 5:1) was ruling for "his father Nebuchadnezzar" (Daniel 5:2) when "In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain" (Daniel 5:30) "And Darius the Median took the kingdom, [being] about threescore and two years old" (Daniel 5:31) came to power. Specifically, it was revealed that the second kingdom would be "the Medes and Persians" (Daniel 5:28). The second kingdom in Daniel 2 was represented by "breast and his arms of silver" (Daniel

2:32) matching the "second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and [it had] three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh" (Daniel 7:5). That means the timeline extends now until 331 BC.

Daniel then stated that "another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth" (Daniel 2:39), represented by "his belly and his thighs of brass" (Daniel 2:32). This, then, matches "a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it" (Daniel 7:6). Daniel once again pens specifically, through revelation of a vision regarding two other animals fighting it out, that the Medes and Persians were followed by a third kingdom. "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). This reveals Greece being that third kingdom. This furthers the timeline up through 168 BC.

That brings us to the "legs of iron" (Daniel 2:33), "the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all [things]: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise" (Daniel 2:40) connecting with "a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it [was] diverse from all the beasts that [were] before it" (Daniel 7:7). Daniel repeats, "The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces" (Daniel 7:23). History reveals that the world empire that followed Greece that was most feared, even driving to crucify Jesus, was none other than Rome: "But some of them went their ways to the Pharisees, and told them what things Jesus had done. Then gathered the chief priests and the Pharisees a council, and said, What do we? for this man doeth many miracles. If we let him thus alone, all [men] will believe on him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation" (John 11:46-48). Our timeline now extends to 476

AD, the year Rome ceased as a world empire, according to most historical documents.

The significance of the dating is to declare that the little horn power, the antichrist, cannot be Nero nor Antiochus IV Epiphanes as they lived and died well before 476 AD.

Those who want to bring to our attention that John and Paul said that antichrist was in their day, yet that, too, is before 476 AD, are not wrong. The wording that Paul uses is that "the mystery of iniquity doth already work" (2 Thessalonians 2:7), meaning that what would later become the antichrist nation or kingdom had already started the process. A nation is usually not born overnight. It starts out with people forming a coalition and over time, developing into a power. Rome was not just born. During the fighting between the four generals of Greece after Alexander died, the one general, Cassander, took the west. There in the west, eventually, over a few centuries, the Roman Empire was formed. Likewise, when John stated, "this is that [spirit] of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world" (1 John 4:3), he saw the beginnings of what would form into the antichrist nation. Therefore, there is no contradiction in our conclusion.

It is a significant point, in fact it is our first point of identifying the antichrist because by revealing when the nation becomes the antichrist, we have eliminated a number of possible guesses.

POINT 1: Antichrist nation began after 476 AD.

After 476 AD, Daniel "sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. And [as] the toes of the feet [were] part of iron, and part of clay, [so] the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay" (Daniel 2:41-43). In Daniel 7, just as the feet continued the iron, we see that the beast "had ten

horns" (Daniel 7:7). "The ten horns that [were] in his head" (Daniel 7:20), "the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings [that] shall arise" (Daniel 7:24).

Now, the dates being supplied are from historical references. We are stating this because historical references conclude that the Roman Empire fell in 476 AD, but according to God, it continued on in a different form. By declaring that the period after the Roman Empire consists of the iron in the feet and toes as well as declaring that the ten horns come out of the kingdom reveals that there is a connection. The timeline continues from this point and does not leave a gap between 476 AD and what we know to be the second coming. These ten kings formed their nations around 476 AD and continue today, leaving us to conclude that the Germanic tribes that make up Western Europe fulfill the prophecy. Most Christians do believe this to be true, however, the period of time becomes questionable among many denominations. As stated, we conclude that they began at the "fall of Rome" because of the wording and description provided. Others conclude that they are yet future and are going to be the ten mightiest countries in a united manner, and coming from Western Europe.

With that in mind, we have a general location of where the antichrist nation arises, for we are told that "there came up among them another little horn" (Daniel 7:8). Among the countries of Europe, another country will be formed that becomes the antichrist nation.

POINT 2: The antichrist nation is located in Europe.

Another point that we can quickly identify is that it is a little country because we are told it is a "little horn" (Daniel 7:8).

POINT 3: The antichrist nation is a little country.

Yet, another identifying marker is regarding what we have been stating all along. Sure, there is a man that leads this nation, but the fact is, antichrist is not a specific person as it is a nation, because in Daniel 7:8, the power is referred to as a "horn". It rules by a man, but we shall deal with that later. We are also told that "the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings" (Daniel 7:24), a phrase that actually incorpo-

rates their kingdoms, for one cannot be a king without a kingdom. Jumping ahead to Revelation for a moment, the antichrist is described as "a beast" (Revelation 13:1-4, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18 and more). A beast is also symbolic of a kingdom, or nation, or country (Daniel 7:17), of which, in modern times, we continue such a tradition of associating beasts with nations. The eagle and buffalo represent the United States, for example.

POINT 4: The antichrist is a nation.

Now, as this power rises up, it appears to cause three other nations to cease from existing. We are told that "three of the first horns plucked up by the roots" (Daniel 7:8), "and of the ten horns that [were] in his head, and [of] the other which came up, and before whom three fell" (Daniel 7:20), "and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings" (Daniel 7:24).

POINT 5: The antichrist power would cause three of the ten kingdoms to cease to exist in the rise to power.

Next in line back in the step-by-step process to pick out all of the points, we are still on Daniel 7:8. We read next that "in this horn [were] eyes like the eyes of man". In using one of the helper verses we provided we see the Bible states, "I will instruct thee and teach thee in the way which thou shalt go: I will guide thee with mine eye" (Psalms 32:8). So, instead of influencing the people by the "eyes of God" or by the ways of God, this nation would actually influence its subjects by the eyes of man, or human ways. At first, it may not appear to be a big deal. All nations are led by human ways, and that would be a true statement, however, this power presents itself differently. "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4). So, it is a godly nation pretending to represent God, pretending to lead people in the ways of God, but instead, they are the ones making up the "godly" activities, requirements – even traditions. This is further confirmed by John referring to the antichrist (2 John 1:7) stating, "Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that

abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son" (2 John 1:9). So, antichrist would teach doctrines differently than what Jesus Christ taught, hence receiving the title "antichrist" or being "against Christ". They would teach in the name of Jesus and say that these are the godly ways when, in fact, they are "teaching [for] doctrines the commandments of men" (Matthew 15:9).

POINT 6: The antichrist would be a godly nation teaching man-made doctrine instead of God's true doctrine.

To finish out Daniel 7:8, it says that the antichrist had "a mouth speaking great things". Daniel 7:11 continues the concern with the words, "I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake". Daniel 7:20 states, "a mouth that spake very great things." Continuing about his speaking, Daniel 7:25 clarifies the direction of the speaking by saying, "he shall speak [great] words against the most High". And beyond chapter 7 are the words, "and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods" (Daniel 11:36). That is not all. Outside of the Book of Daniel, the words get more specific. "And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies" (Revelation 13:5). "And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven" (Revelation 13:6). In fact, during the punishment of antichrist, it is said, "And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory" (Revelation 16:9), as well as, "And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds" (Revelation 16:11). All of this points to the antichrist making statements for God that God not did not make, and would not make, ever.

POINT 7: The antichrist would speak for God in a manner that is out of character of God.

Daniel 7:11 says, "I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld [even] till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame."

We shall not repeat the study based upon "great words which the horn spake" because we just addressed it when reviewing Daniel 7:8. So, moving on to the beast part, representing a nation, is singled out as compared to the prior three beasts. Evidently, the fall of Rome was not a real slaying. In other words, the Roman Empire still lives, not like Greece, Medo-Persia, or even Babylon that may appear in art, language, and other means. If Daniel is beholding the horn and yet sees the beast is to be slain, destroyed, and burned, all of those actions follow at a later date. A real version of the Roman Empire still exists even today, only in a different form. The body is yet to be destroyed, in which Jesus stated in regards to bodies, "fear him which is able to destroy both soul and body in hell" (Matthew 10:28). The body will be destroyed in hell. And then we have the burning flame that, with God involved, is none other than hell as well, and it fits appropriately in the context from verse 9, which says, "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). That new form of the Roman Empire will continue until the final destruction in hell.

POINT 8: Antichrist would repackage the old Roman Empire.

In reiterating a point in Daniel 7:11, we see the fate of antichrist, which is no surprise. Revelation 19:20 is very specific confirming the conclusion by stating, "And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone." Although this a point of identification, we will not include it because when we see this happen, we, hopefully, will be in Heaven.

So, in Daniel 7:12, it says, "As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time." Unlike the Roman Empire, Medo-Persia, Greece, and Babylon live on, hence why Babylon is mentioned six times in the Book of Revelation connected in one way or another with antichrist.

Further, the antichrist beast of Revelation is described using all four beast parts: "And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as [the feet] of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority" (Revelation 13:2). From this verse, we can see the leopard (Greece of Daniel 7:6), the bear (Medo-Persia of Daniel 7:5), and the lion (Babylon of Daniel 7:4) are all connected to the antichrist for appearance sake. John saw the antichrist symbolized by those animal parts. Therefore, the "lives ... prolonged for a season and time" is in reference to the outside appearance to the world. The practices that people see would not be found in Christianity but in paganism, specifically being practiced by these three nations.

But take note of that confirmation on the point that the Roman Empire does not actually die – it switches hands. Daniel saw an ugly unnamed beast in Daniel 7:7. If three out of four beast parts in Revelation 13:2 match up, that means the fourth one of the dragon matches Daniel 7:7. Yes, the dragon can refer to "that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan" (Revelation 12:9), but Satan can take on different forms. And in this case, using the Empire of Rome, they give the antichrist their onceheld power, even their seat or place of rulership, and the authority over the whole empire (Revelation 13:2).

POINT 9: Antichrist would continue the practices of Babylon, Medo-Persia, and Greece, prolonging their spiritual lives though their physical empires have ceased.

Daniel 7:19 starts a series of verses that gives us a lot of details about the antichrist. "Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth [were of] iron, and his nails [of] brass; [which] devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet."

The fourth beast, commonly identifying the Roman Empire is said to be diverse or different. Following along with the scriptures thus far that bring out the transfer of power, there is something that is to be different than any other power prior. Babylon ruled politically under King Nebuchadnezzar and others. Medo-Persia ruled politically under "the

commandment of Cyrus, and Darius, and Artaxerxes" (Ezra 6:14). Greece ruled politically under King Alexander followed by the political battling between the top generals. But Rome would not only rule politically. It would be diverse or different. Handing the power, authority, and even the seat to rule from over to the antichrist, and with the antichrist "opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4) means that a religious aspect would be connected to the appearance, hence, the diversity.

POINT 10: Would rule diversely from just a political form of governing by being both political and religious.

According to Daniel 7:19, again, this empire would be exceedingly dreadful. Having "Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came up against Jerusalem, and the city was besieged" (2 Kings 24:10). Besieging is normal activity to expand the territory and deal with uncooperative nations. In fact, of one of the leaders of Medo-Persia it is said, "Thus saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him" (Isaiah 45:1). And then we have the vision in Daniel 8 that depicts Medo-Persia (Daniel 8:20) as a ram (Daniel 8:3) and Greece (Daniel 8:21) symbolized by a goat (Daniel 8:5) fighting it out with the goat that "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" (Daniel 8:6). Then, we know the Roman Empire struck severe fear for the Pharisees stated, "If we let him thus alone, all [men] will believe on him: and the Romans shall come and take away both our place and nation" (John 11:48) and ended up handing Jesus over to them to be crucified. All of them appear to be dreadful, but in God's eyes, they are not, or should we say, the fourth one is not so dreadful until it changes into the diverse side of things, the religious and political version of itself.

A religious entity is where sinners ought to be able to turn to for learning salvation, but when that power is willing to kill to force conversions to the religious system, real dread enters the soul. Even Jesus rebuked John on this point. "And when his disciples James and John saw [this],

they said, Lord, wilt thou that we command fire to come down from heaven, and consume them, even as Elias did? But he turned, and rebuked them, and said, Ye know not what manner of spirit ye are of. For the Son of man is not come to destroy men's lives, but to save [them]" (Luke 9:54-56).

If one cannot turn to religion (and everyone knows there is no salvation taught through politics), what hope is there but to have dread form in the soul.

POINT 11: Would be exceedingly dreadful instead of the expectation of being helpful.

Both Daniel 2 and Daniel 7 have connections with iron. Daniel 2 explicitly details that the period after political Rome ceased, the iron continued into the time of European nations by stating, "And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. And [as] the toes of the feet [were] part of iron, and part of clay, [so] the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay" (Daniel 2:41-43). This again shows how Rome never died completely. It mixed in with all of the European nations. It stood upon iron and gnashed with iron teeth (Daniel 7:7).

Turning to the nails of brass, which on a beast would indicate fingers, with which musical instruments are played; 2 Chronicles 4:16 brings out the use of brass instruments in the time of Solomon. The political Roman Empire also made use of such: "'Brass instruments' played an important role in the Roman army; their use enabled greater communication and organization on the battlefield. These instruments served a range of tactical and strategic purposes, which provided an advantage to the ancient Roman army." {Rodney Cross, Macquarie University, Bold as brass: 'brass instruments' in the Roman army, 2013}.

POINT 12: Antichrist would make use of brass.

And we finish off the verse in Daniel 7:19, by addressing the fact that Rome "devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet." There is nothing more that needs to be said that has not already been stated as fact.

Now, Daniel 7:20 states, "And of the ten horns that [were] in his head, and [of] the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even [of] that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look [was] more stout than his fellows." Much of this has already been addressed by prior points. In fact, it is simply the word "stout" that needs to be addressed, as that is the only item not repeated. According to Isaiah 10:12, we get the Bible-intentioned use of the word "stout": "Wherefore it shall come to pass, [that] when the Lord hath performed his whole work upon mount Zion and on Jerusalem, I will punish the fruit of the stout heart of the king of Assyria, and the glory of his high looks." So, "high looks", to be elevated, exalted, etc., which matches the fact that antichrist would "exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4). Everyone expects a king or queen, even a prime minister or president to be exalted, even to be stout. This particular individual, the antichrist, would be "more stout than his fellows", more stout than a president, king, queen, prime minister, diplomat, etc. It would be suggested then, instead of recognizing this leader as a leader of a nation, as the Bible often states the use of "king" and "kingdom" together, this leader would have the recognized influence of being a leader of nations, possibly all nations, which also fits with the fact that "all the world wondered after the beast" (Revelation 13:3). But as stated before, Rome never died and has yet to accomplish the task in which antichrist "shall devour the whole earth" by continuing the Roman Empire as her basis of existence and doing it beyond just being a political empire by transforming into the use of both religious and political powers combined. The political Roman Empire did not devour the whole earth, though they did extend pretty far. All maps of the political Roman Empire show a concentration of the empire from the west side of the Middle East to Spain and up through Europe, including England. It centered mostly around the Mediterranean Sea. What about the

middle to the southern part of Africa? What about the rest of the Middle East over into Asia? What about the Eastern European area? But under antichrist, in taking the seat of the Roman Empire (Revelation 13:2), the rulership would extend into every country on earth.

POINT 13: Antichrist would be elevated above a simple leader of a nation even to be a leader of nations.

In Daniel 7:21, we are told, "I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them." A small similar phrase appears in Daniel 7:25, which says, "shall wear out the saints of the most High." John also penned similar descriptions. "It was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them" (Revelation 13:7), "For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets" (Revelation 16:6). "I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration" (Revelation 17:6), "And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth" (Revelation 18:24). But fear not for in the future, God "hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand" (Revelation 19:2).

POINT 14: Antichrist would be responsible for the deaths of many true followers of Christ.

In Daniel 7:24, it states, "And the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings [that] shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings." Now, in Daniel 7:24, we see the moment in time when the Roman Empire was breaking into ten kingdoms or nations ruled by ten kings. So, indeed, the Roman Empire crumbled, however, right after they are established, another kingdom, a small one of course, arises in an attempt to have the Roman Empire survive. This is where the diversity of the fourth beast is connected to antichrist and was not fulfilled in the political Roman Empire alone. Instead, when it took on a religious form in connection to being political, it was established. So, that means that we again see how the antichrist would rise after the breakup of the political Roman Empire into ten parts to become known as Europe.

Antichrist then comes up in Europe and in the process of trying to keep the crumbled pieces cooperating as a group, it takes down three of them for not cooperating with the new European leadership found in the religious-political Roman Empire. That part we already covered by stating that antichrist would cause the cessation of three nations in Europe from the original ten, so we move on to the next point.

As we advance to Daniel 7:25, it is full of very specific aspects regarding the antichrist: "And he shall speak [great] words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time."

The first two items are repeats of prior points, so we shall move right into the third part of the description, which is made up of two parts: antichrist would "think to change times and laws".

To explain the "times", it would be easier to explain the change in the "laws" first. Around the world, each country has their own set of laws. Many of those laws are universal, like not murdering one another or stealing. For antichrist to get involved with tax laws, roadway laws, and governmental laws in general, it would be a near impossibility, an extreme amount of time invested, etc., to deal with such. Besides, God is not concerned if all of the countries change their laws on the speed limits, if a country even has a speed limit law, as some countries do not. What concerns God is that antichrist would try to change *His* laws. Please take note that there are multiple hints and logic that point to the concern being over the Ten Commandments as opposed to any other law.

First, as already stated, humans make and change laws all of the time. It was once legal to drink alcohol in the United States, then illegal, and then back to legal again.

Second, the fact that antichrist would "think" to change the laws, means that he really cannot, which points to a power higher than antichrist that actually maintains the laws in question. That higher power

would be none other than God. So, it would be God's laws that antichrist would think to change, once again.

Third, we get a direct hint because as part of Paul's insight to the antichrist on the subject, Paul refers to the antichrist as "that man of sin" (2 Thessalonians 2:3), and antichrist "opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped" (2 Thessalonians 2:4).

Sin is defined by the Bible as breaking the commandments: "Whosoever committeth sin transgresseth also the law: for sin is the transgression of the law" (1 John 3:4). Therefore, "that man of sin" would think to change the commandments so as to be able to continue breaking them while appearing to keep them, even though they teach and practice commandment keeping; but it would not be the correct set of laws, so therefore, the end result is that of breaking them.

The antichrist, through opposing God would, according to Paul, exalt his position to the point that everything God claims as His and worshipped would be touched by antichrist, evidently, according to Daniel, thinking he can just change things up a bit. For instance, with God being holy, antichrist would disregard the fact that "the law [is] holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good" (Romans 7:12).

POINT 15: Antichrist would think to change God's Ten Commandments.

Once one realizes that particular point, all one has to do is look at those that promote the Ten Commandments and compare them with what is in the Bible, especially when linked to a nation promoting a set of commandments being antichrist. Despite using the same words, it probably would not hurt to include the Jewish understanding of how the commandments are numbered. For instance, the words on coveting may appear in both the Bible and in the antichrist's list, but what number or numbers ought they to be? Confirming with the people who kept the commandments literally safe until carried away into Babylon would identify in the Bible as one or two commandments on the topic.

This also brings up a point regarding those denominations that say the Ten Commandments are nailed to the cross, that "we do not concern ourselves about the commandments because we live by faith now", that "we do not keep the commandments because we are under grace and not under a schoolmaster", etc. If antichrist is very much into changing the commandments, even by a simple reordering the list that God has made, which is a concern regarding this apparent change, even going so far as to listing it as one of the identifying points, does that not make one stop and think, "Just maybe, those Ten Commandments are still significant to God and maybe we ought to be keeping them?" Why else would God concern Himself with the act of thinking His laws would be changed when they were canceled out anyways? He would not. Therefore, by default, those commandments are still binding, and all who are involved in discarding them are worse than antichrist by leading so many people into sinning.

Jesus even said, "For verily I say unto you, Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach [them], the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 5:18-19). Do not misunderstand – those who teach the commandments are not going to be an exclusive group of people in Heaven. We are not going to have a great group and a least group in Heaven. All will be of one group, but from Heaven's perspective, looking at Christians today, two groups are being formed here on earth. The "great group" are described as "Blessed [are] they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city" (Revelation 22:14). The least are described as "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity" (Matthew 7:21-23).

Now God gets more specific by the pen of Daniel. He states that the apparent change would affect God's times (Daniel 7:25). At least two changes would take place by antichrist for all the world to be deceived by it. If only one change were to take place, then Daniel would have used the word "time" and not "times".

So, what "times" would antichrist attempt to change, to pass off as having the apparent authority to change? First, God's reckoning of time is defined in Genesis 1:14: "And God said, Let there be lights in the firmament of the heaven to divide the day from the night; and let them be for signs, and for seasons, and for days, and years." Focusing upon the days, God told us to use the heavens above to identify when one day ends and another begins. It is defined as "the evening and the morning" (Genesis 1:13). We call it sunset. Therefore, antichrist would adopt a scheduling of time based upon a different timing of things, which, getting directly to the point, is a midnight-to-midnight schedule. Now, when interacting with society, using midnight as the start of a new day is not an issue with God, but when we observe holy things, such as holy days, then it becomes significant.

With that in mind, there is a second point on time, especially that related to God's law, the Ten Commandments. According to the fourth commandment (third if you are Catholic), the Bible says, "Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day [is] the sabbath of the LORD thy God: [in it] thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that [is] within thy gates: For [in] six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them [is], and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it" (Exodus 20:8-11). Twice we are told that God's Sabbath is on the seventh day of the week, which would be, using the sunset rule, Friday night at sunset until Saturday night at sunset, yet, many, many observe Sunday from midnight-to-midnight as the "Christian Sabbath", though they may not call it that, at least not that often.

POINT 16: Antichrist would think to change God's times regarding the Sabbath commandment appearing to be on a different day and different cycle of time.

Continuing in Daniel 7:25, we see the verse ends with one more point: "they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time." Evidently antichrist exerts authority for a period of time.

To understand just how long it is, we need to understand the Bible definition of the word "time". The word "time", when biblically applied to a period, is that of one year. The use of "times", like in Daniel 4:16 ("...let seven times pass over him"), refers to a period of more than one year, in this case, seven. When the word "times" is alone having no number before it, the period is still more than one for it is plural but is considered no more than two because it would have a number to indicate just how many. And the dividing, or half a time, means a half a year. So, this period of time in Daniel 7:25 would be three and half years.

To help prove that we did not make this up, there is a similarly defined period of time like Daniel 7:25 elsewhere in the Bible. Revelation 12:14 states, "And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent." Now this verse about the "woman" in the "wilderness" is repeated in verse 6 but in a plainly spoken time frame. "And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred [and] threescore days" (Revelation 12:6). So, time, times, and half or dividing of time is equal to one thousand two hundred and threescore (3 x 20) days (1,260 days). Taking that number and using the thirty days in a month Bible period, we come to forty-two months. With twelve months in a year, we divide forty-two months and come up with three and a half years. We could go the opposite direction as well. Thirty days in a month times forty-two months is one thousand two hundred and sixty days.

Now, before we all agree that this is the three-and-a-half-year rule of antichrist, we must consider something else. God has a prophetic principle when speaking of prophetic time. God told Moses of this principle by saying, "each day for a year" (Numbers 14:34). God also told Ezekiel of this principle by saying, "each day for a year" (Ezekiel 4:6) to him as well. That would mean that the period of time is actually one thousand, two hundred, sixty literal years.

Of course, there are skeptics or die-hard people who insist the period is literal. We then recommend the study of Daniel 9:24-27 where a seventy week prophecy is provided telling when the Messiah would show up. It is based upon "the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem" (Daniel 9:25). This command happened in 457 B.C. A literal period of seventy weeks, actually sixty-nine weeks (Daniel 9:26), later would be 456 or even 455 B.C. The Messiah did not show up then nor was it understood to be at that time because Daniel understood the day for a year principle. The reason for sixtynine weeks is because that is when the Messiah would be anointed, then the Messiah would start His ministry by confirming the covenant (Daniel 9:27), but in the middle of the last seven years, the Messiah would be cut off, basically, crucified, which happened right on time using the day for a year principle. In 27 A.D., Jesus met John and "Jesus, when he was baptized, went up straightway out of the water: and, lo, the heavens were opened unto him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove, and lighting upon him" (Matthew 3:16). And regarding the confirmation, it is written that "the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ" (Galatians 3:17).

Therefore, Jesus confirms the use of the day for a year principle when prophetic time is mentioned. Now, some theologians like to apply it in Jesus' case and not apply it in other cases leaving us lay people at the mercy of "the teachers" to know when to use it and when not use it. In our case, we reject such nonsense and rely upon the Bible. The Bible does not demonstrate an on-again, off-again application. When God speaks in prophetic time, it is in a day for a year principle manner.

POINT 17: Antichrist would reign for one thousand two hundred and sixty years.

Now, Daniel 7:26 tells us, "But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy [it] unto the end." Since during the seven last plagues there is a plague for the antichrist, "And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds" (Revelation 16:10-11), and on top of that, at the second coming, "the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone" (Revelation 19:20), we conclude that the antichrist will last until the end of time.

This may appear contradictory where the antichrist reigns for only one thousand two hundred and sixty years but then gets to live until the second coming. The contradiction is worked out by Revelation 13:3, which says, "And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast."

We will address the deadly wound later officially when we get there, but for now, antichrist would rule for a period of one thousand three hundred sixty years, receive a deadly wound, and then come back to rule again until the end of time.

Keep in mind that this point is not something to wait for. To watch and see if the antichrist nation lasts until the second coming and then believe the contents of this book to make a decision will be too late. We make it a point of identification because we can tell today if the nation is on the incline or not and is strengthening or not to be able to endure until then. That is something that can be evaluated now.

POINT 18: Antichrist would rule until the end of time.

In Daniel 8:1-12, Daniel is given a vision of two animals fighting it out to the death. Later he is told that these animals represent the Medeo-Persian Empire (Daniel 8:20) being conquered by Greece (Daniel 8:21).

There appears to be no direct mention of Rome, however, indirectly we are told that one of the four horns or powers of Greece would become dominant (Daniel 8:9) and so dominant that we go through the political Roman period into the religious-political era for "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" (Daniel 8:10). This is similar to the wording found in Revelation: "And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven" (Revelation 13:6). Further, we are told "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" (Daniel 8:11), again appearing to be a similar description found in 2 Thessalonians 2:4: "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God." Daniel 8:12 goes on to say, "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." This, too, matches another description of antichrist regarding the truth: "I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth. Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son" (1 John 2:21-22), "And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that [spirit] of antichrist, whereof ve have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world. We are of God: he that knoweth God heareth us; he that is not of God heareth not us. Hereby know we the spirit of truth, and the spirit of error" (1 John 4:3, 6), and "For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son" (2 John 1:7, 9).

Now that we proved Daniel 8:1-12 as well as Daniel 8:19-25, which is the plain explanation of Daniel 8:1-12, that the horn becomes anti-christ, let us take it in pieces once again.

After Daniel saw Alexander the Great's horn broken off by his death at the age of thirty (Daniel 8:8), Daniel saw the takeover of the Grecian Empire by the four top generals going in four different directions, but one of them became greater than the rest, which would eventually develop into the political Roman Empire (Daniel 8:9). But then it turns into that religious-political system as "it waxed great, [even] to the host of heaven" (Daniel 8:10). Many pagan kings and leaders have claimed to be gods, but this leadership position would reach "to the host of heaven", "to the armies of heaven" as if a mere human is able to command the angels, which is something documented in the pronouncements from antichrist. Earlier, Daniel called the horn of Daniel 7 as being "stout" (Daniel 7:20). Paul said, as stated above, "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4). While John saw, "a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies" (Revelation 13:5) "And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven" (Revelation 13:6). What John saw is what Daniel finishes off with by stating, "and it cast down [some] of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them" (Daniel 8:10).

Now, no being can actually perform such feats in reality, but would demonstrate it through their blasphemous talk and even legislation, as legislation is how a country speaks.

In fact, Daniel 8:11 begins with "he magnified [himself] even to the prince of the host." In other words, this religious-political system would think to replace the rightful position belonging to the "prince of the host". The "prince of the host" must be a being in Heaven as only a heavenly commander can command the heavenly hosts in reality. Further, Daniel's description, along with Paul's and John's, about reaching unto Heaven confirms that antichrist is trying to usurp the authority belonging only to the "prince of the host".

To further understand the topic of the heavenly host, realize that Joshua had an experience with the leader of the heavenly host. "And it came to pass, when Joshua was by Jericho, that he lifted up his eyes

and looked, and, behold, there stood a man over against him with his sword drawn in his hand: and Joshua went unto him, and said unto him, [Art] thou for us, or for our adversaries? And he said, Nay; but [as] captain of the host of the LORD am I now come. And Joshua fell on his face to the earth, and did worship, and said unto him, What saith my lord unto his servant? And the captain of the LORD'S host said unto Joshua, Loose thy shoe from off thy foot; for the place whereon thou standest [is] holy. And Joshua did so" (Joshua 5:13-15). Keep in mind that no angel ever accepts worship, for even John was told by an angel, "See [thou do it] not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren" (Revelation 19:10) when John "fell at his feet to worship him" (Revelation 19:10). Therefore, the commander is God. And do keep in mind that Jesus is described as, "The Prince of Peace" (Isaiah 9:6). Daniel explicitly states, "Messiah the Prince" (Daniel 9:25), referring to Jesus in a time prophecy regarding His baptism. And it would make sense. Antichrist would try to usurp the authority of Jesus Christ even to the point of appearing to steal Jesus' authority to command the heavenly host, the angels.

POINT 19: Antichrist would think to be able to command the beings of Heaven, specifically, the Lord's army of angels usurping the authority of Christ.

Continuing on in Daniel 8:11, the Bible states, "by him the daily [sacrifice] was taken away". Please note that the word "sacrifice" is a supplied word, where, in this electronic Bible that we use, the words appear in brackets [], while in print Bibles, they appear in italic. Therefore, the verse actually reads, "by him the daily was taken away." Those that keep the word "sacrifice" in the verse point to Jesus' ministry in Heaven, where Jesus "Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building" (Hebrews 9:11). In other words, Jesus serves as our High Priest in Heaven in the Heavenly Sanctuary accepting our prayers, especially those of confession of sins, and now antichrist has usurped that position. Those that remove the word "sacrifice" state that this is the transition from a political empire into the religious political empire, that of antichrist.

Now, we will not make it a point of identification at this moment as the first understanding is found in the next phrase. As for the transitional understanding, we already covered it. So, the next phrase states, "the place of his sanctuary was cast down" (Daniel 8:11). And we are now clearly seeing the antichrist attempt to usurp the place of Jesus in the heavenly sanctuary, even the heavenly sanctuary itself. Paul saw it as, "he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4). In fact, John states in Revelation 13:6, "he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, ... and his tabernacle...".

POINT 20: Antichrist would attempt to usurp Jesus' place as High Priest in the heavenly sanctuary.

POINT 21: Antichrist would replicate the heavenly temple on earth.

Daniel 8:12 gives us three pieces. "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."

This host appears to be different from competing with the "Prince of host" in the prior verse, for in this verse the host or armies are handed over or given to the antichrist. Interestingly, if one were to not accept the supplied word of "sacrifice", the daily life of the political Roman Empire had armies, however, under the religious-political empire, there is none of their own. Therefore, he has to be given armies. And why would antichrist need armies? To enforce their "transgressions" is the answer, hence, the name "antichrist".

POINT 22: Armies are given to enforce the transgressions of antichrist.

The second item in the list from Daniel 8:12 is that "it cast down the truth to the ground". Truth, according to Bible definition, is revealed in Jesus, the Word, and the Commandments. Jesus said, "I am the way, the truth, and the life" (John 14:6). John 17:17 states, "Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth." And, Psalms 119:151 says, "Thou [art] near, O LORD; and all thy commandments [are] truth." This fits the antichrist description by Paul, in 2 Thessalonians 2:4, "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God." That which is

"called God" is not literally God. The temple of God is not called God. So, *things* of God are what antichrist will think to be able to command over.

Psalms 145:17 tells us that "The LORD [is] righteous in all his ways, and holy in all his works." Therefore, for something to be "called God" means to be "called righteous" or "called holy". With that in mind, even the devils declared of Jesus, "Let [us] alone; what have we to do with thee, [thou] Jesus of Nazareth? art thou come to destroy us? I know thee who thou art; the Holy One of God" (Luke 4:34). In regards to the Word of God or scriptures, it is said, "And that from a child thou hast known the holy scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation through faith which is in Christ Jesus" (2 Timothy 3:15). And "the law [is] holy, and the commandment holy, and just, and good" (Romans 7:12). Therefore, antichrist exalts over that which is called "holy", like the holy scriptures.

POINT 23: Antichrist would cast down the Word, Jesus, and the Commandments exalting himself above all of these by promoting their version instead.

The third and final item of Daniel 8:12 is that of practicing and prospering. Therefore, it would spread with little hindrance and become acceptable practice as it prospers. It certainly would not be hurting for the need of anything.

POINT 24: Antichrist would practice its ways and be prosperous.

We now move onto Daniel 8:23, which says, "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." This sounds a lot like what Paul wrote also: "And that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition" (2 Thessalonians 2:3). Antichrist has not been fully unmasked, hence the support, but Daniel says in the latter time of the kingdom, when the transgressors are fully come about, the leader would have "fierce countenance", "understand dark sentences", and "shall stand up".

Deuteronomy 28:50-52 defines the meaning of the "fierce countenance" perfectly, as antichrist is not just a person but a nation, as stated before. "A nation of fierce countenance, which shall not regard the person of the old, nor shew favour to the young: And he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy land, until thou be destroyed: which [also] shall not leave thee [either] corn, wine, or oil, [or] the increase of thy kine, or flocks of thy sheep, until he have destroyed thee. And he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and fenced walls come down, wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy land, which the LORD thy God hath given thee." A nation of "fierce countenance" has no regard for life, even despite appearing to legislate for life. It is the practices that reveal the true position. Such a nation would destroy everything that the opposer to this nation owns. Pretty much nothing will be able to stand in the way. Forget about appealing to judges in defense of rights. With such clout, rights will not matter.

POINT 25: With a fierce countenance, it will destroy life and property of those that oppose antichrist.

The next item in Daniel 8:23 is the "understanding dark sentences." According to different translations as well as the Bible Lexicon, the meaning of those Hebrew words, we have "a master of intrigue", "one who understands riddles", "understands sinister schemes", "cunning", "deceitful", "proficient at deception", "understanding stratagems", and "understanding hidden things", all of which have their connection with 2 John 1:7, which says, "For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist." And we find this ability to be such a deceiver coming from one source - Satan, for he is described as, "that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world" (Revelation 12:9). And antichrist uses other instruments to plot and scheme "for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived" (Revelation 18:23). No wonder Jesus warned four times in Matthew to let no human deceive us (Matthew 24:4, 5, 11, 24).

POINT 26: Antichrist would be heavily involved in scheming, plotting, deception.

Daniel 8:23 finishes with "shall stand up". We have no point to make on it but did not want to forget about it. Basically, it would happen in the future from Daniel's perspective; it started to happen in John and Paul's day; it has happened; it is happening; and it will continue to happen until Jesus returns.

Daniel 8:24 then gives us more of a description. "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." The beginning of the verse about the power exercised matches Revelation 13:4, which says, "the dragon which gave power unto the beast"; Revelation 13:5, stating, "power was given unto him"; Revelation 13:7, revealing, "power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations"; and even in 2 Thessalonians 2:9, which tells us, "[Even him], whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders."

POINT 27: Antichrist receives supernatural power, basically from Satan.

Daniel 8:24 continues with the destructive capabilities, which was addressed in a prior point along with practicing and prospering. But let us also reaffirm a prior point by the words of "shall destroy the mighty and the holy people." As stated before, "Antichrist would be responsible for the deaths of many true followers of Christ." All of this matches up with what we are doing, reinforcing the fact that Daniel 8, without mentioning the political Roman Empire by name or the religious-political power that it would evolve into, proving that it indeed is connected with the antichrist.

Daniel 8:25 tells us, "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." With the reference to

"policy", we see that some type of edict, legislation, pronouncement, etc. would be used to rule the world.

POINT 28: Antichrist would disseminate its intent of operation by declared policies.

And there is a reminder of the "dark sentences" that antichrist would "understand" by the reference of "craft", similar to witchcraft, satanic craft, ritualistic craft, any craft. Through such practices, the evil would prosper. Even John was mesmerized by the craft when he stated, "I wondered with great admiration" (Revelation 17:6). This is a combination of a prior point, where it is deceitful but it is also a drawing of interest. Like the Pharisees of old, there was a ritualistic practice, a type of craft exercised. "For the Pharisees, and all the Jews, except they wash [their] hands oft, eat not, holding the tradition of the elders. And [when they come] from the market, except they wash, they eat not. And many other things there be, which they have received to hold, [as] the washing of cups, and pots, brasen vessels, and of tables" (Mark 7:3 -4). It was not just a mere wiping things down to prepare to eat, there was a whole spiritualistic approach to this process of "washing". Many pagan religions practice such craft or ritualistic practices that causes even unbelievers to be in a trance to watch the movement of hands, the processions, the specific repetitive words spoken, etc.

Another form of craft refers to that of being artistic. One is considered crafty if they can take various loose objects and put them together in such a way that creates an appealing piece of art. Some children are crafty in creating decorations or ornaments, while others are not so. Applied to antichrist, such artistic craft would be more adult oriented, like paintings, statues, and other such works of art that promote the error of its ways. As they say, "A picture is worth a thousand words." The problem is that if those thousand words are erroneous, an image impresses stronger upon a person than mere words.

If one were to make a statue of an event or a painting of an event but that statue or painting depicted the event incorrectly, it is hard to remove that image from one's mind despite the words of truth. Modern day craft is found in film, where they call it creative. No! It is error.

POINT 29: Antichrist would use craft, including works of art, to practice and prosper.

To "magnify [himself] in his heart" (Daniel 8:25) is no different than being stout as pointed out in prior points, and therefore, we shall not dwell upon it beyond a reminder that it is self-exalting.

Next, it is stated of antichrist, "by peace shall destroy many" (Daniel 8:25). This leads to the goal that "they shall say, Peace and safety" (1 Thessalonians 5:3), keeping in mind, "then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape" (1 Thessalonians 5:3).

POINT 30: Antichrist has a peace message, even the garb of peace.

Daniel 8:25 ends with two points that we also already covered: "he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand." To be "broken without hand" is an act of God, Who alone casts the antichrist beast into the lake of fire (Revelation 19:20) and prior to that, have a plague of darkness crush the antichrist power (Revelation 16:10-11).

The "Prince of princes" is similar to "King of kings" where the kings that align with antichrist, "These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings" (Revelation 17:14).

So, we move on in our verse-by-verse study to Daniel 11:30-45, we would like to first skim the verses to show how Daniel 11 is tied in with Daniel 8 which is tied into Daniel 7 and is an expansion of Daniel 2. Then we will go back and pick out the specific traits to help identify the antichrist.

In verses 30 and 32, we have an attack on the "holy covenant", of which the Bible identifies with the words, "This [is] the covenant that I will make with them after those days, saith the Lord, I will put my laws into their hearts, and in their minds will I write them" (Hebrews 10:16). So, an attack on the Ten Commandments would happen just like Daniel 7:25 states. We also saw that according to Daniel 8:12, antichrist

would cast down the truth, which is one of the three items identified being truth, that of God's commandments.

In verse 31, "shall take away the daily [sacrifice]" is matching the wording found in Daniel 8:11, 12, and 13.

Verse 33 with the fact that it would "instruct many" is a way that leads to "captivity" and connects with Revelation 13:10, which says, "He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity."

Verse 36 with the words "he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper" along with verse 37's use of "he shall magnify himself above all" matches the antichrist descriptions of Daniel 8:25 ("he shall magnify [himself] in his heart"), 2 Thessalonians 2:4 ("Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God"), Daniel 7:25 ("he shall speak [great] words against the most High"), and Daniel 8:24 ("shall prosper, and practise").

Even verse 45 contains the phrase "tabernacles of his palace" where antichrist "opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle" (Revelation 13:6). What better way to blaspheme God's tabernacle than to set up a counterfeit one or counterfeit ones?

Again, in verse 45, the words "yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him" that is because "the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness" (Revelation 16:10) "And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone" (Revelation 19:20). Even Revelation 18 identify the kings and the merchants who are unable to prevent the destruction of the antichrist symbolized by the whore for we are told "I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters" (Revelation 17:1).

Now, that was a lot of information just to prove that we are again describing the same creature – the antichrist, however, it was necessary because many either dismiss the chapter completely or apply physical aspects throughout the chapter not realizing that in the timeline of things, God being the Author (1 Corinthians 14:33), reveals that things do change over to a spiritual application. Jesus said, "Therefore say I unto you, The kingdom of God shall be taken from you, and given to a nation bringing forth the fruits thereof" (Matthew 21:43). In declaring physical Israel would no longer be entrusted with the gospel, which they failed to teach other people, favored status as being responsible for the kingdom would be taken from them as a physical nation of Israel and given to another nation. Was it given to England? How about Italy? Maybe it was given to Russia? Or better yet, Japan or China? No. It is none of those. The responsibility of preaching the gospel is in the hands of a spiritual nation made up of converted Jews but mostly Gentiles. Paul even wrote, "For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither [is that] circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: But he [is] a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision [is that] of the heart, in the spirit, [and] not in the letter; whose praise [is] not of men, but of God" (Romans 2:28-29). "And if ye [be] Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise" (Galatians 3:29), not literally but spiritually. So, there is a spiritual aspect to the terms Jew, Israel, Jerusalem, and much more, since the cross; actually, since the stoning of Stephen but that is a different story. Even the word "Gentile" has spiritual application.

The next things we need to establish are the main characters found in Daniel 11. To do this, we shall get help from Daniel 8, which will reveal to us that Daniel 11 is just added detail, and a lot of it, to Daniel 8. In other words, Daniel 8 was an overview and Daniel 11 provides intricate detail.

We make this connection starting with Daniel 11:1-2, where we see reference to "Darius the Mede" and reference to "kings in Persia" (Daniel 11:2) being conquered by the rise of the next Empire after Medo-Pesia, that being "the realm of Grecia". Daniel 8 gave us a vision of two animals fighting it out where "The ram which thou sawest hav-

ing [two] horns [are] the kings of Media and Persia" (Daniel 8:20) "And the rough goat [is] the king of Grecia: and the great horn that [is] between his eyes [is] the first king" (Daniel 8:21). After the rough goat slays the Medo-Persian Empire and establishes the Grecian Empire along with the first king, King Alexander, meeting his early-aged death at thirty, "the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven" (Daniel 8:8) representing the four territories led by the four top generals. Of these, as Daniel 11 depicts, two primary territories fought each other for dominance. They are referred to as the King of the North and the King of the South as brought out especially in Daniel 11:8.

Daniel 8:9 alludes to the King of the North by stating, "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]." Pushing south and east means that this little horn comes from the north or west. Those are the only two winds of directions left according to Daniel 8. The "pleasant land" is our hint. Psalms 106 recounts the experience under Moses and Joshua. That psalm contains the words, "Yea, they despised the pleasant land, they believed not his word" (Psalms 106:24). What we established is that the "pleasant land" refers to what we know as Israel. Although today we incorporate Israel as being part of the Middle East (the word "east" is the important word) it is on the western part of that territory. If one were to go any further west, they would be in the Mediterranean Sea with Numbers 34:6 confirming it. With each Empire focusing upon the area from Egypt, up through Israel along with a bit of territory to the right of Israel, up into modern day Turkey, Greece, and Italy.

The "little horn" of Daniel 8:9 is representative of a new empire growing out of the fourth territory, of which is none other than the Roman Empire as previously revealed. This little horn of Daniel 8 would incorporate both political Rome as well as religious-political Rome as "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" (Daniel 8:11).

What we have established is that the King of the North is Rome, especially since the King of the North is first identified early on in Daniel 11:6, well before the existence of the Muslim world in one form or another that many misguided Christians are thinking it refers to as they try to incorporate a theory that involved the old Ottoman Empires or Islam of today. Such did not start until after the seventh century AD, and keep in mind that Jesus Christ is referenced not until Daniel 11:22. That means that the King of the North is referenced in six verses of Daniel 11 in BC times and only once in AD times inside verse 40.

And for those who are looking for Jesus Christ in Daniel 11:22, it is from the words "prince of the covenant". This is told to us in shorthand here but in more detail back at the end of Daniel 9. We have "Messiah the Prince" in Daniel 9:25, and the fact that "he shall confirm the covenant" (Daniel 9:27). Those given into the seven-year tribulation with the antichrist yet future, which has already been disproven earlier, cast this verse away from 9:24-26 and apply it to antichrist using the word "covenant" in a general agreement instead. First, almost all denominations agree that Daniel 9:24-26 is about the Messiah as the name appears in both verses 25 and 26. Second, those that tear it away from Jesus' baptism and throw it into the future ignore that the word "covenant" is associated with God especially since Daniel was praying to God saying, "O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments" (Daniel 9:4). So, "Prince of the covenant" from Daniel 11:22 is "Messiah the Prince" (Daniel 9:25) Who did "confirm the covenant" (9:27) for we are told "the covenant, that was confirmed before of God in Christ, the law, which was four hundred and thirty years after, cannot disannul, that it should make the promise of none effect" (Galatians 3:17). Even after "four hundred and thirty years" of being in Egypt, the law was magnified, even by giving two copies of it to Moses, where he broke the first copy (Exodus 32:19) and properly handled the second (Deuteronomy 10:5). Again, the originals are in the ark in Heaven (Revelation 11:19).

It is a whole lot easier to believe that Daniel 11 switches from physical references to spiritual ones than it is to believe that the Roman Empire

identified as the King of the North coming out of the northern part of the Grecian Empire as depicted in Daniel 8 and then change Empires to a different King of the North at the very end, which actually pushed up north from the south to begin with. In other words, the Ottoman Empire is not a norther-born kingdom, today being Turkey. Overall, it breaks the pattern. Daniel 2 shows Iron (Rome) kingdom continuing in a different form being made of iron and clay. Daniel 7 has the same pattern as the fourth beast is referenced in Daniel 7:23 and then states, "the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings [that] shall arise: and another shall rise after them" (Daniel 7:24). In other words, the fourth beast did not die but continued in the form of the ten horns with the little horn being the transformed religious-political power ruling from the seat originally held by the Caesars. Daniel 8:9 shows the political version of Rome and then by verse 10 the religious-political power. Therefore, Daniel 11 should follow that the King of the North begins with Rome and transition after verse 22 into the religiouspolitical form without looking at a different Empire or even religion.

With that said, let us pick up in Daniel 11:29 where the transition from political into religious-political takes place. "At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter." The King of the North does not come at the King of the South as it did in former times, or even just prior to the transition, the latter time. It is not in appearance as it once was.

Now, Daniel 11:30 is definitely not just a political empire of Rome coming back. It states, "For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant" (Daniel 11:30). Keep in mind, we are not going to dissect every word as it would weary the mind. We have another fifteen verses yet to cover plus Thessalonians, John, and Revelation. Also, we have not stated more points because we have been in Bible proof text mode for the points we have already addressed elsewhere. For instance, with the religious-political empire hating upon the "holy covenant", in fact, the word "indignation" is used, we are reminded that the "holy covenant" involves the com-

mandments (Hebrews 10:16). The antichrist, as we already studied, would "think to change times and laws" (Daniel 7:25). That is how indignant antichrist or the religious-political power is towards the covenant. They have their own set of commandments that do not match God's. But again, we already covered that.

We already covered these points of Daniel 11:31, but did not mention them at the time because much explanation was required to connect Daniel, so we waited until now and have covered it in depth with plenty of proof texts. The verse states, "And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily [sacrifice], and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate"

Daniel 11:32 shows the influence over the people who do not know their God. "And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do [exploits]." The fact that these people are referred to as having a relationship with "their God", though it be very poor, means that these people are of the Christian faith. Now what gives the antichrist the power? The fact is that antichrist can make up any doctrine they want and get away with it, for truly they are "the people that do know their God". Even today people quote scripture or religious phrases not realizing that none of it is really a Bible doctrine, but humanly devised references. It is the ignorance of the Word of God that causes the people to be deceived into thinking they are in the right when they are actually persecuting the minority who are truly in the right.

These people are strong in one form or another implying that those who truly know God do not have the opportunity to withstand such people. What Daniel sees, including the exploits they do, is what Matthew literally states: "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that

work iniquity" (Matthew 7:21-23). Matthew sees people calling Jesus "Lord, Lord". They are followers of Christ, or Christians. Their exploits to prove they are His include prophesying in the name of Jesus, casting out devils, and many wonderful works. But all of these people will be lost? Why? Just as Daniel said, "the people who do not know their God", Matthew states, "I never knew you". Further, they "work iniquity". That means that antichrist has deceived them into performing iniquity, sin, which "sin is the transgression of the law" (1 John 3:4). That means that antichrist has commanded the Christians to break or even do away with God's commandments, as predicted in Daniel 7:25. Truly antichrist has earned the title, "that man of sin" (2 Thessalonians 2:3).

This is amplified by the fact that those who "do wickedly against the covenant" antichrist will easily "corrupt by flatteries" (Daniel 11:32). To do wickedly against the covenant requires recalling the connecting meaning of God's law as stated over and over by scripture referenced throughout this document. Christians do wickedly against the covenant because the law is not written in the heart as the new covenant states that it is supposed to be (Hebrews 10:16). They declare that the Ten Commandments were nailed to the cross, that grace replaces obedience to the law, that living by faith does away with the law, that Jesus discarded the law, etc., etc., etc. With no law, it is easy to make up doctrines and so antichrist does and the vast majority of Christianity is in acceptance of the new doctrines in one form or another, "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof" (2 Timothy 3:5).

POINT 31: Antichrist successfully deceives the majority of Christianity into being showy people all the while breaking God's law.

Daniel 11:33 states, "And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, [many] days." That is because "the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them" (Daniel 7:21); "they have shed the blood of saints and prophets" (Revelation 16:6); John "saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus" (Revelation 17:6), "And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth" (Revelation 18:24), all of which was covered in a prior point.

In any given crisis, there are always those who understand biblically what is going on, are not content with just seeing it only for themselves biblically and keeping salvation selfishly for themselves, they tell others. That does not mean that others will agree. In fact, when too many people consider it, that is what brings on the persecution. Therefore, the reason persecution seemed to have ceased for awhile is because the church has not been seeing things clearly. In fact, many times they are going along with the government's expectations fulfilling other prophecies.

The "many days" refers to the time period already addressed being "a time and times and the dividing of time" (Daniel 7:25) or "forty [and] two months" (Revelation 13:5), with "each day for a year" (Numbers 14:34, Ezekiel 4:6).

Skipping ahead in the series of verses to the next one that describes the antichrist is Daniel 11:36, which says, "And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done." The act of exalting was addressed in a prior point, mainly being elevated above all other nations. On the other hand, to magnify above every god, including God, "so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4) is a new point.

POINT 32: Antichrist, at least each leader of that nation that succeeds one after the other, would declare to be God on earth.

The last two points of speaking marvelous things against God, such as blasphemy, and prospering until the end were both already addressed, therefore, we move onto Daniel 11:37, which says, "Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all." The wording is quite similar to that of 2 Thessalonians 2:4, which says, "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God", and for the most part, has been already addressed.

The unaddressed point is that the antichrist would not regard "the desire of women" by "Forbidding to marry" (1 Timothy 4:3). This is not a universal command for antichrist to wield power over all of Christianity but without an iota of scripture, it would call for a number of the most devout followers to abstain from marrying. It would be one of those made-up doctrines.

POINT 33: Antichrist would declare a forbiddance to marry, at least by certain followers.

Daniel 11:38 tells us, "But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things."

The first of two more identifying points is that of honoring the "god of forces". That is not a reference to God as it may be indicated, especially when it is followed up by another "god" that "his fathers knew not". In pagan days, they had a god for every "force", including the earth, wind, water, fire, and many others. Many of those gods, during the transition from pagan, or just the political empire, into the religious-political empire became symbols of religion by simply changing names, meaning, and purposes.

In fact, we get a glimpse of the paganism that has infiltrated Christianity today in many areas. "But we will certainly do whatsoever thing goeth forth out of our own mouth, to burn incense unto the queen of heaven" (Jeremiah 44:17). "For the customs of the people [are] vain: for [one] cutteth a tree out of the forest, the work of the hands of the workman, with the axe. They deck it with silver and with gold; they fasten it with nails and with hammers, that it move not" (Jeremiah 10:3-4).

POINT 34: Antichrist would appear to have a Christian reason to honor the pagan god of forces and pagan gods in general.

Interestingly, the remainder of Daniel 11:38 matches Revelation 17:4, which says, "And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication."

Our fathers of many centuries of old, like 18 centuries ago, knew God. Now there is a new god in town who "shewing himself that he is God" is honored with the gold, silver, precious stones, and other pleasant things to the eye like pearls.

POINT 35: Antichrist would be honored as a god and even receiving homage through the riches of the world.

Continuing on in Daniel 11:39, it says, "Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge [and] increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain." Towns and even nations have erected these renamed gods of paganism and demand adoration instilling fear into the people if they do not comply.

POINT 36: Antichrist would instill fear or rule over the people through the use of renamed pagan deities.

Daniel 11:40 states, "And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over."

Now, let us put a nail in the coffin for those that think verse 40 all of sudden switches from the political Roman Empire turned into the religious-political Empire but is now referring to Islam. Please note that the King of the South pushes "at Him". The word "him" is a pronoun with the implication that it was defined earlier, and it has been, even before Islam ever existed. Likewise, the King of the North shall come against "him", which refers to the King of the South, as referenced not only here, but all the way back earlier in the chapter. As stated and demonstrated, the King of the North is the political Roman Empire turned into the religious-political empire that stays consistent with Daniel 2, 7, and 8. To introduce Islam is inconsistent.

As for the King of the South, it was none other than the literal territories of Egypt and even further south into the African continent, but it, too, transitioned in nature. Instead of it being literal Egypt, the Bible

brings out the spiritual aspects as well. In fact, there are two primary spiritual aspects to bring out whenever there is a reference to Egypt and the literal does not fit.

Hosea 8:13 says of God, "now will he remember their iniquity, and visit their sins: they shall return to Egypt." If God is going to recall their iniquity and sins as being an act or returning to Egypt, then that means backsliding into worldliness or worldliness in general would get the upper hand for a period of time. And worldliness today is the worst it has ever been at any point in time. With easy access to all forms of entertainment, including filth, easy access to thievery, easy access to buy and buy more even though one cannot afford it, etc. has never existed. It is certainly pushing against the religious-political control of the world since most people, even of Christians, hardly give God any recognition. Only a third of Christians or less attend church on a regular basis. Even of them, few contribute a significant amount towards sustaining the church as their funds are primarily used up in sustaining selfish lifestyles.

The other area pushing back towards the King of the North more directly is what Pharoah stated in his rejection of God at the time of Moses: "Pharaoh said, Who [is] the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD" (Exodus 5:2). We call that atheism. And atheism is certainly being militant today. No longer is it satisfied in ignoring Christianity or religion, it forces its way to disrupt Christianity and the public practices thereof. Christian bakeries cannot have the freedom to choose what they make and do not make without being sued.

Political kingdoms do not suffer from either. Governments do not care what people practice, do with their money, even do with their time, but a political-religious empire would be bothered by both.

POINT 37: Antichrist would suffer a push from atheism and worldliness.

Now, at some point and quickly, like a "whirlwind", the King of the North is going to overwhelm all those that are caught in worldliness

and atheism to the point that they will be completely broken. Though both sides are instigated by Satan, the religious-political movement is going to sweep in the Mark of the Beast with it.

Daniel 11:41 tells us more about the activity of the King of the North. "He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many [countries] shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, [even] Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon."

The "glorious land" is defined as the land that is "flowing with milk and honey, which [is] the glory of all lands" (Ezekiel 20:15). It is a generic term used for a land of plenteous. In Daniel 11:16, it was applied to the land of Israel. In Daniel 11:41, it could still refer to the land of Israel, but it would not be surprising that another land of plenty is taken over such as described in Revelation 13 as the second beast that rises up with "two horns like a lamb" or two strong Christian principles yet assists the antichrist (Revelation 13:12) because it speaks like a "dragon" with the laws it passes.

However, symbolic Edom, Moab, and the children of Ammon escape the clutches. We get a glimpse in Jeremiah 40:11-12 of a possible symbolic reference. "Likewise when all the Jews that [were] in Moab, and among the Ammonites, and in Edom, and that [were] in all the countries, heard that the king of Babylon had left a remnant of Judah, and that he had set over them Gedaliah the son of Ahikam the son of Shaphan; Even all the Jews returned out of all places whither they were driven, and came to the land of Judah, to Gedaliah, unto Mizpah, and gathered wine and summer fruits very much". Under the siege of Babylon, Jews found safety in other countries. Though the Jews sought safety in more than three countries, only Moab, the Ammonites, and Edom are mentioned. Also of interest is that Daniel states "Edom" and "Moab" as a reference to their country while using "the chief of the children" when referring to Ammon instead of just naming the country. In Jeremiah's reference, Ammon or the Ammonites also are described differently than Moab and Edom. Jeremiah states "in Moab" and "in Edom" while using the reference "among the Ammonites" instead. This is not a coincidence. Both Daniel and Jeremiah make it a point of bringing out a closer relationship than just "being there" in

existence. But in general, the King of the North is unable to completely conquer as there will be a place of safety for God's people.

We shall not mark this as a point as that is yet future and subject to become more enlightened on specific application as it unfolds. And when it unfolds, it will be so rapid that it will once again be too late to realize the understanding was correct.

Daniel 11:42 again is future where, "He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape." Or, as stated before, all involved in atheism and worldliness will not escape.

Daniel 11:43 is also future where, "But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians [shall be] at his steps."

Daniel 11:44 is interesting. The King of the North feels some pressure from two different directions. "But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many." So, those tidings do not stop the King of the North but seems to be a catalyst in wanting to finish his plans as quickly as possible. It seems similar to thieves that break into a place and grabbing all they can grab, but when they hear sirens in the distance approaching, with fury they grab the last expensive bits and make a dash for it.

Now keep in mind that 'destroy' does not mean nuking countries, moving armies in and tearing down buildings, etc. As Ezekiel brings out, "Her princes in the midst thereof [are] like wolves ravening the prey, to shed blood, [and] to destroy souls, to get dishonest gain" (Ezekiel 22:27). This description parallels the antichrist description in Daniel 8:25, which says, "by peace shall destroy many". The goal of destroying souls is then acted upon faster as the sense of time is running out. Being King of the North, they have no fear of a nation even further north, but with tidings coming from the north, it very much references God on His throne: "Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, [is] mount Zion, [on] the sides of the north, the city of the great King" (Psalms 48:2). Tidings from the east is in reference to Jesus re-

turning: "For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be" (Matthew 24:27). When antichrist senses these things, they will act faster to destroy as many remaining souls as possible.

Daniel 11:45 concludes with, "And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him." We already covered the concluding part that none will be able to rescue the King of the North from God's dealings. That leaves the planting of the tabernacles between the seas and glorious holy mountain. Being yet future, we will let it unfold. There is Bible reference "to my holy mountain Jerusalem" (Isaiah 66:20), but future fulfillment will have to reveal it.

Now, with that said, everything marked as "future" is not something we want to hold out before agreeing who or what the antichrist is. When the King of the North pushes back, these final scenes will be completed so rapidly that the media may not keep up with it and also be in a time where, as they say, "all hell breaks loose". We will not have time to talk about how it is fulfilling. We are given enough to draw intelligent conclusions now so that we can be found in those safe locations.

Again, none of these will be made a point as the specifics are best left to the future fulfillment. They are included for concept purposes to round out the rest of Daniel 11.

The remaining reference in Daniel about the antichrist is Daniel 12:11, which says, "And from the time [that] the daily [sacrifice] shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, [there shall be] a thousand two hundred and ninety days." Using God's "each day for a year" principle (Numbers 14:34, Ezekiel 4:6), that is a period of one thousand two hundred and ninety years. The good news is that the time overlaps the prior timeframe of one thousand two hundred and sixty years. Both end in the same year. Basically, the transition from a political-only empire into the religious-political empire is officially declared. Evidently, the first thirty years are with controversy, hence antichrist "shall subdue three kings" (Daniel 7:24) and "whom

there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots" (Daniel 7:8). It took thirty years from the time of the official document until the third and final king was subdued, paving the path for a rulership of one thousand two hundred and sixty years.

POINT 38: Antichrist receives the official document declaring them as the religious-political form of the empire thirty years prior to the effective period.

We now move through the Bible to another section which contains the direct address of the antichrist. It is found in 2 Thessalonians 2:2-12. It starts out with, "That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand." Is it a wonder why there are so many versions of the Bible today? And with a verse-by-verse comparison, these versions are not simple trying to make it easier to understand as many contradict each other, or worse, just drop off verses. Many contain elaborate opinions of their creators.

Though King James was a notorious king, the process to compile the content into the King James Version is nothing like what happens in modern versions. Today, a few people get together. They consider the verse. They are impressed with what is acceptable in society. And then they pen it. Many verses even contain agenda impressions, like the Gender-Neutral Bible. We are not to make a version of the Bible that conforms to society, but society is to conform to the ways of the Bible. Under the King James assembly, three hundred different scripture languages were collected as best as possible. Committees were set up and separated to translate the contents into the king's language. The results of these committees would then assemble together having their own translations and see which ones were the closest in their results. Majority versions did not always win because the other translations were compared to see why they were different. Once the time of discussion was completed, a vote for the acceptable translation in the king's language was cast and accepted. It was a very long process. This does not mean they got it right in all cases, but it sure beats the one person or a handful of people that put out a translation today.

And so, the words of verse 2 are quite applicable. Do not be shaken over the many versions of the Bible, all of which claim to be the best translation of Paul's words along with those of all of the other original writers. Do not be shaken by the introduction of other gospels, either.

POINT 39: Antichrist would try to create disbelief in the scriptures by the influence and introduction of other translations that are quite biased.

2 Thessalonians 2:3 states, "Let no man deceive you by any means: for [that day shall not come], except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition." For it to be noted that there is a "falling away", that means the vast majority of those claiming to be Christian would be deceived. The lost do not fall away as they are already away. Further, every day people join the belief in the Christian message and then choose to not follow it anymore. How many join a church and after a year, they fall away. We are not talking this type of falling away. This is a mass deception based upon the opening words. The object of causing so many to fall away is the fact that the antichrist leader is known as the "man of sin". "Sin is the transgression of the law" (1 John 3:4) and Daniel penned that antichrist would "think to change times and laws" (Daniel 7:25). That means the vast majority of supposed believers will go along with the dictates of antichrist teaching its own version of the law. John specifically states, "This is a deceiver and an antichrist. Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God" (2 John 1:7-9). As a result, many would accept the change of the commandments including at least a double change to the commandment dealing with time being the fourth commandment. Today, many denominations just nail the whole list of commandments to the cross and do not care. They are acting in the "spirit of antichrist" (1 John 4:3) who "have indignation against the holy covenant" (Daniel 11:30), God's "laws into their hearts, and in their minds" (Hebrews 10:16). All of this was already addressed.

Now, focusing upon the phrase, "the son of perdition", it appears twice in the entire Bible. One is in application to the antichrist. The

other is in regards to Judas (John 17:12). This is not a coincidence. That means the characteristics of Judas are applicable to the antichrist. One obvious characteristic is that of claiming to be a follower of Jesus Christ (Mark 14:10).

POINT 40: Antichrist would claim to be a follower of Jesus Christ.

Judas actually betrayed Christ to the point of condemnation (Matthew 27:3).

POINT 41: Antichrist would betray Christians.

Judas was also known to be "a thief" (John 12:6), misappropriating money.

POINT 42: Antichrist would misuse funds for personal gain.

Now, on returning to 2 Thessalonians, we pick up in chapter 2 verse 4: "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God." For the most part, we have addressed these points as well. Daniel brought out also how antichrist would exalt himself, not only above God but all that is "called God", which is a reference to anything considered holy.

In regards to worship, the first four commandments outline it, where the first commandment forbids worshipping any other being as God, yet the antichrist would be "shewing himself that he is God". The second commandment forbids the making of images and worshipping of them, yet antichrist would cause the "honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things" (Daniel 11:38). The third commandment forbids taking God's name in vain and that includes going against Jesus' words, like, "call no [man] your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven" (Matthew 23:9) and going against the fact that "holy and reverend [is] his name" (Psalms 111:9) but no one on earth. Then there is the fourth commandment commanding the seventh day to be a day to be kept holy going beyond an hour or two in church, but instead antichrist

would "think to change times" (Daniel 7:25) both in the day and cycle of a day. So, everything that God outlines to worship Him has been altered by antichrist exalting himself above "that is worshipped".

POINT 43: Antichrist would place himself above all proper worship to God redirecting it upon himself.

The words "sitteth in the temple of God" is beyond setting up a temple to be worshipped in. The Bible says, "The LORD reigneth; let the people tremble: he sitteth [between] the cherubims; let the earth be moved" (Psalms 99:1).

POINT 44: Antichrist would rule from a seat that mimics God's seat with cherubims.

Jumping down to 2 Thessalonians 2:7, Paul makes a reference to the fact that the process of setting up antichrist was already at work and would continue until taken out of the way, which would happen twice. "For the mystery of iniquity doth already work: only he who now letteth [will let], until he be taken out of the way." John also wrote about the start of the antichrist, "And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God: and this is that [spirit] of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world" (1 John 4:3). Though antichrist would not be fully developed as a nation until after 476 A.D., both Paul and John recognized the developments of the spirit, or even the activity of things in their day.

POINT 45: Antichrist would have their beginning of formation starting in the apostolic times.

Being taken out of the way would happen with the deadly wound (Revelation 13:3) at the end of the thousand two-hundred-and-sixty-day period. And of course, after the wound was healed (Revelation 13:3), it will be at the end of time when they will be taken out of the way. In fact, the first "taking out of the way" is described in Revelation 13:10 as, "He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints." Again, more on that later. The sec-

ond "taking out of the way" is in 2 Thessalonians 2:8, "And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming."

2 Thessalonians 2:9 reveals something antichrist exercises to keep the followers loyal. "[Even him], whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders." Jesus said, "For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if [it were] possible, they shall deceive the very elect" (Matthew 24:24). Revelation 16:13-14 states, "I saw three unclean spirits like frogs [come] out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, [which] go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty."

POINT 46: Antichrist would exercise signs and wonders.

As a side note, please realize that despite what has been printed in this publication, preached by others, and found in other publications revealing this content, people are not wanting to admit to these things because of the great lifestyle changes. For this, God says, "And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved" (2 Thessalonians 2:10). Truth does matter. This is not a matter of my truth versus your truth. This is about Bible truth. All that is being shared is just Bible verse after Bible verse after Bible verse. We do not even explicitly identify the antichrist, so those that figure it out and reject it because they do not like where the finger points will end up condemning themselves. We condemn no one, but clearly, if people do not love the truth to acknowledge it by choosing to "walk in newness of life" (Romans 6:4), to "walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit" (Romans 8:1), becoming "a new creature" (2 Corinthians 5:17), etc., then that is on them. "And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness" (2 Thessalonians 2:11-12). And some of the greatest lies are that "no one has the truth", "truth does not matter", "absolute truth does not exist", etc.

This aids into the corruption of the church, where it used to be that practicing open sin was a cause for disfellowshiping, now it is embraced and promoted up through the ranks despite the Bible condemning some of those acts as an abomination. "This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come. For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy, Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good, Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God; Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away" (2 Timothy 3:1-5). Sin is now embraced in the church, as predicted.

Why do they choose to be damned? Because they "had pleasure in unrighteousness". No one wants to be told what to do. No one really wants to obey the commandments. And so, "the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And they shall turn away [their] ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables" (2 Timothy 4:3-4). They love being told that they are saved by grace and do not have to worry about the commandments, saved by faith and do not have to worry about showing their good works, saved in sin and do not have to give anything up. The truth does not need anyone's acknowledgment. What it needs is adherence, submission.

People forget that those who are calling for godliness among Christians, who are even encouraging unbelievers to become true Christians, were all once lax Christians or even unbelievers as we all were. Christianity is not something someone makes up today; it is not just personal opinions that are pushed upon others. Those people were there in unbelief and have come out of it, but they are not willing to just sit by and watch as other human beings remain in ignorance and are being destroyed, especially by the deceptions pervading the world.

Moving onto 1 Timothy 4:1-3, the Bible states, "Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils; Speaking lies in hypocrisy; having their conscience seared with a hot iron; Forbidding

to marry, [and commanding] to abstain from meats, which God hath created to be received with thanksgiving of them which believe and know the truth."

The doctrines of devils are none other than antichrist's doctrines. To adhere or agree with them is to align with antichrist without even joining antichrist. One of those doctrines we already covered back in Daniel. The doctrine would forbid marriage in some way. Again, it is not the act of outlawing all marriages, but restricting certain people from marrying which fulfills this devilish doctrine.

Another devilish doctrine would be that of commanding cessation of eating meat. That would not require making everyone vegetarian, nor would it require every day to be a day of "no meat eating". Restricting it during the time the Bible calls "weeping for Tammuz" (Ezekiel 8:14) is sufficient. Of course, Christians do not call it that as the name changed from pagan Tammuz to Lent, which many Christians observe by not eating meat on Fridays. It is not limited to one denomination, either.

POINT 47: Antichrist would command not eating meat.

Now, the name "antichrist" is derived primarily from the four and only four times that it is mentioned in the Bible. They all appear by the writings of the apostle John in his epistles. He tells us that the term existed prior, but the only hint in scripture is from the Book of Daniel where he states the words, "against the most High" (Daniel 7:25), "against the Prince of princes" (Daniel 8:25), and "against the God of gods" (Daniel 11:36). Another hint is from the words of Jesus: "Take heed that no man deceive you. For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many" (Matthew 24:4-5), "And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many" (Matthew 24:11), and "For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if [it were] possible, they shall deceive the very elect" (Matthew 24:24). To come in the name of Christ or be a false Christ includes taking upon oneself the name "Christian" but not be one. Just like for anyone who joins a nation's military service, there is an expected look, conduct, and discipline. For Christians, we are to be "a good soldier of Jesus Christ" (2 Timothy 2:3).

So, a denomination, even a religion, that declares to be Christian or a follower of Christ teaching doctrines that are different from the Bible, even different from direct words of Jesus, would constitute as being a false Christ. In fact, they would be working against the teachings of Jesus, hence the term "antichrist".

POINT 48: Antichrist would claim to be a true representative of Christ, but be false.

Now, in examining all four uses of the word "antichrist" that John penned, we begin with 1 John 2:18, which says, "Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time." We already addressed the fact that John declared along with Paul that antichrist came on the scene in the early stages back in their day. What we shall address is that antichrist is not a single person. Many, or a collection of people, make up the entity of antichrist, although at any given time there is but one leader representing the collective just as we have one president at a time representing the United States, though it takes an act of Congress to work with the president.

POINT 49: Antichrist is not just a single person, but a collective.

John further describes this collective with the words, "They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would [no doubt] have continued with us: but [they went out], that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us" (1 John 2:19).

Leading into the next point, John continues on saying, "But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things. I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth" (1 John 2:20-21). This indeed is a reference to the fact that Daniel stated, "it cast down the truth to the ground" (Daniel 8:12).

Now, 1 John 2:22-23 states, "Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son. Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: [(but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also]." Denying that Jesus is the Christ, denying the Father and the Son, does not mean they are atheist. The Bible teaches "They profess that they know God; but in works they deny [him], being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate" (Titus 1:16). Basically, acting in a manner that is contrary to the way of the Father and Son constitutes the denial. This is not being hypocritical. This is just instituting blatant practices that the Father and the Son do not accept, or were ever taught to be accepted. There are many activities that can be practiced that even deny that Jesus was the Christ, as if the time Jesus spent upon earth in human form was insufficient to complete His mission.

POINT 50: Antichrist would deny the Father and the Son and even deny Jesus was the Christ through practices that demonstrate the opposite message than what the Father and the Son intended.

1 John 4:1-3 confirms that antichrist beginnings started in John's day, as already addressed, but let us be careful to think that it is just a rewording of the prior point on denying the Father and the Son, for it is not. "Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: And every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God; and this is that [spirit] of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world." Here, we see that the reference to false prophets back in Matthew 24 by Jesus is indeed connected with antichrist. Scripture is completely interlinked to the point where we need to be grabbing all the verses, as Isaiah 28:9-10 basically tells us, and put them together to get the clearer picture of things. Reading Matthew 24 alone implies that there are just false prophets that will be running around in the last days. Over here (in 1 John 4:1-3) we see that false prophets are connected with antichrist. Together, we

see that Jesus was addressing the coming of antichrist without explicitly using the word "antichrist".

With that said, let us focus upon the main point. It is about the fact that Jesus Christ came in the flesh. Those that do not believe it are part of the antichrist side even if they do not consciously know that. In other words, those who do not accept that Jesus came in the flesh could distance themselves from antichrist as far as possible all the while still being linked with antichrist from Heaven's perspective. Of course, those who do not recognize that antichrist has always been around from the time of the apostles to the present moment and are looking for a future antichrist, are basically clueless. One cannot flee something successfully without knowing who they are fleeing from.

Another error perpetrated by misapplying these three verses is the use of human reasoning. For instance, they reason that to acknowledge that Jesus had flesh and blood, was born in the lineage of David taking on human existence, bled, and died as a human would, they believe to themselves that they have acknowledged the existence of Jesus in the flesh. Again, that is human reasoning.

Everything has to be taken to scripture. The word "flesh" is not restricted to the skin, muscles, bone structure, and the blood pumping in the veins. We are told to "walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit" (Romans 8:4) and for those who do "Walk in the Spirit, and ye shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh" (Galatians 5:16), flesh takes on the inclusion of desires, motivations, feelings as well.

Now, to go more directly to the point, "God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh" (Romans 8:3). Too many, especially Christians, think that Jesus was literally God with a thin layer of a facade to look human, and in nowise think that Jesus had any sinful temptations to deal with, for God does not sin and has not sinned. Some will go so far as to say that there was a bit more humanity to Jesus, but He still was not made exactly like us but had an advantage over us being made like Adam and Eve before they had sinned. They deny that Jesus was made like Adam

and Eve *after* they sinned. The reason they deny it is because that truth makes Jesus very human and an example for us to live by.

The prior iterations of Jesus as basically God tricking us by a human appearance, but was actually God the whole time, or that He was born like unfallen man, is where the unbiblical belief of "no one can be perfect; only Jesus is perfect" comes from. Although the statement is true that "all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23) and therefore we cannot be perfect and only Jesus was ever perfect, we can be made perfect and live perfect lives after conversion. And this is where the denial comes in at despite being told "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us [our] sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9); and "Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present [you] faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy" (Jude 1:24); along with the command "go, and sin no more" (John 8:11); while being told "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect" (Matthew 5:48). But most Christians excuse their way out of all these and other verses, primarily because they do not want to stop sinning.

Antichrist and those ignorantly serving antichrist are teaching people that sin will remain in our lives until the second coming, that there is no way anyone on this side of the appearing of Jesus can ever stop sinning, that as long as the big sins like murder are not being committed, it is expected that a 'little' lusting in the mind and a 'little' losing of the temper are normal, that Basically, they are "denying the power" (2 Timothy 3:5) that "According as his divine power hath given unto us all things that [pertain] unto life and godliness" (2 Peter 1:3). Overall, they are denying that we have power from Heaven that will help us stop all of our sinning.

The scriptures tell us of Jesus that He "was in all points tempted like as [we are, yet] without sin" (Hebrews 4:15). A being cannot be tempted "like" we are if He was not like us, but of higher level. He "took not on [him the nature of] angels; but he took on [him] the seed of Abraham" (Hebrews 2:16). That refers to the unfallen nature that Jesus did not take on, but took on the fallen nature that Abraham had. He "in all

things it behoved him to be made like unto [his] brethren" (Hebrews 2:17).

Then, with that established, Jesus indeed is our example. "He that saith he abideth in him ought himself also so to walk, even as he walked" (1 John 2:6). "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne" (Revelation 3:21). "Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin; That he no longer should live the rest of [his] time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God" (1 Peter 4:1-2). "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God" (1 John 3:9). "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in heaven is perfect" (Matthew 5:48). "Wherefore, beloved, seeing that ye look for such things, be diligent that ye may be found of him in peace, without spot, and blameless" (2 Peter 3:14). "And the very God of peace sanctify you wholly; and [I pray God] your whole spirit and soul and body be preserved blameless unto the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ" (1 Thessalonians 5:23). And we can go on and on quoting numerous verses that seem to be ignored by preachers who are acting as agents of antichrist, no matter what denomination they are part of.

POINT 51: Antichrist would deny that Jesus showed the way converted Christians are to live, by resisting the fleshly desires and living by the Spirit instead.

2 John 1:7-9 starts out repeating the "flesh" conversation, making it a big deal by stating it twice, but also containing something additionally significant, however, it, too, has already been addressed. "For many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. Look to yourselves, that we lose not those things which we have wrought, but that we receive a full reward. Whosoever transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son."

It is about having the right doctrine. There is the doctrine that Jesus taught as opposed to all other doctrines that are not what Jesus taught. Jesus even said for us to go forth "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you" (Matthew 28:20). As a result, all those that believe "continued stedfastly in the apostles' doctrine" (Acts 2:42). Yet, we have Christians chanting, "Doctrines don't matter!" Evidently, to God, doctrines do matter. But as stated, we already covered that point.

So, now we move on to the Book of Revelation, our last book containing the description of antichrist. Before we begin though, make sure Revelation 1:1 is understood. Modern versions of the Bible distort the most important verse to unlocking Revelation which is, "The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified [it] by his angel unto his servant John" (Revelation 1:1). The word "signified" means that it is not literal content. The antichrist beast is made up of body parts from multiple animals for symbolic purposes. Even the word "Jew" needs to be properly understood along with "Gentile".

One of the direct references to the antichrist is found in Revelation 11:1-2: "And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein. But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty [and] two months." As stated just moments ago, we cannot simply use terms that we think we know in a symbolic-filled book. The word "Gentile" does not only refer to a non-Jew in the literal sense, there is also a spiritual meaning.

To understand the word "Gentile" in a spiritual sense, we must first reinforce what a "Jew" means in a spiritual sense. Paul wrote, "For he is not a Jew, which is one outwardly; neither [is that] circumcision, which is outward in the flesh: But he [is] a Jew, which is one inwardly; and circumcision [is that] of the heart, in the spirit, [and] not in the letter; whose praise [is] not of men, but of God" (Romans 2:28-29). "And if ye [be] Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs accord-

ing to the promise" (Galatians 3:29). Basically, a spiritual Jew is a true Christian, and that is important t understand. Just being called a Christian is not a spiritual Jew. Only those Christians that are Christ's and not selfish little individuals, for there are a whole bunch of Christians who are selfish, unconverted, unwilling to learn the truth as it is truly revealed in the scriptures. In fact, the multitude of those calling themselves Christian is what got us into this mess.

Look at Constantine claiming to be a Christian but welcoming all kinds of paganism into his new-found religion, which was a strong pathway leading to the attempt to keep the political empire unified by appearing to merge Christianity and paganism into what would be the religious-political empire.

That means that prophecies of the Old Testament labeled as being for Israel are actually applicable to spiritual Israel, called Christians. Therefore, when God gathers Israel in the end, He is not gathering people in a physical country, but a spiritual one, for His kingdom is now worldwide. "The kingdom of God cometh not with observation. Neither shall they say, Lo here! or, lo there! for, behold, the kingdom of God is within you" (Luke 17:20-21). Jesus taught, "Repent: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand" (Matthew 4:17). That is heart conversion.

So, all those who are part of the spiritual kingdom here and now, even unified by the Word of God make up Israel for "Now I beseech you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and [that] there be no divisions among you; but [that] ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment" (1 Corinthians 1:10). "Nevertheless, whereto we have already attained, let us walk by the same rule, let us mind the same thing" (Philippians 3:16). If we do not believe the same thing, we are not of the same kingdom. The kingdom of Heaven is one, submitted unto Christ for "we have the mind of Christ" (1 Corinthians 2:16) and "Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus" (Philippians 2:5). Christ does not lead some souls in one direction and others in the opposite. His goal is to gather all of us together to believe the same thing: "And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold,

[and] one shepherd" (John 10:16). That goes beyond denominational walls. But it also requires a submissive attitude to the truth.

Gentiles, in a spiritual sense, are not just unbelievers, but are inclusive as being fake Christians, Christians in name only doing their own thing, believing their own ways, making up "My Jesus" or "My God", welcoming in all forms of paganism and other practices coming from other religions without examining any background to those practices. Christian yoga is a mix between Christianity and another religion no matter how one looks at it. It is not of God. And yes, that means it can only be of Satan.

Now, with that in mind, returning to our scripture in Revelation 11, to measure the temple of God is not necessarily measuring the structure but it is the worship location to the true God. It is measuring as in making sure those worshipping God are of the right standard, the proper standard of worship regarding "them that worship therein" (verse 1). "Go through, go through the gates; prepare ye the way of the people; cast up, cast up the highway; gather out the stones; lift up a standard for the people. And they shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the LORD: and thou shalt be called, Sought out, A city not forsaken" (Isaiah 62:10, 12).

Outside, we have the spiritual Gentiles or fake Christians who seem to have a period of time to influence the world in their religious-political creation. That period of time, not by coincidence, is "forty [and] two months" (verse 2), which, with the "each day for a year" principle, comes out to be one thousand two hundred, sixty years, just as Daniel stated. Further, antichrist is able to "tread under foot" (also verse 2), which is to prevail (Daniel 7:21).

There are two things mentioned in the Bible regarding feet or foot without truly referring to a body part in a physical sense. The first is regarding God's Word: "I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word" (Psalms 119:101) and "Thy word [is] a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Psalms 119:105). So, antichrist would tread all over God's Word.

The second is regarding God's holy day: "If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, [from] doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking [thine own] words: Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken [it]" (Isaiah 58:13-14). So, antichrist would trample all over God's Sabbath.

Both the trampling of God's Word for "it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered" (Daniel 8:12) and trampling on the Sabbath for it "think to change times and laws" (Daniel 7:25) were already covered. The reason this content was not included in those points is because, once again, it required much more detail as we have provided here.

Now it is time for God's history lesson, which is found in Revelation 12:10-16. We begin with verse 10 for the start of the timeline. "And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night." Salvation coming and reference to God's kingdom through the power of Christ is in reference to the first coming of Christ, especially when time continues in verse 11: "And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death." It is further reinforced that verse 10 was the first coming because now we have the devil to contend with more so than before: "Therefore rejoice, [ye] heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabiters of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time" (verse 12).

So, things get challenging in verse 13: "And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man [child]." God has always used women to represent His people (Jeremiah 6:2, 2 Corinthians 11:2, Revelation 22:17). When they are in apostasy, they are a harlot (Jeremiah 3:8, Hosea 4:15). This

verse appears before the timeframe revealed in verse 14, therefore, the power that the dragon or Satan is using (Revelation 12:9) is none other than that iron kingdom of Daniel 2, the ugly beast of Daniel 7 that has no name, the initial part of the northern kingdom of Greece transitioning into the next empire chapter 8, and the initial part of the King of the North in Daniel 11, all of which points to political power of Rome. So, Rome persecuted the church through the events at the coliseums, crucifixion, even Nero blaming Christians for the burning of Rome. This would continue all the way through the time of Constantine, when the persecutions on the church seemed to dissipate through the merging of Christianity with the pagan religion of Rome.

Then in time, "And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent" (Revelation 12:14). The real church had to go into hiding because now it was being persecuted by the religious-political power. To figure out what a time, times, and half a time means, Revelation 12:6 tells us the same story with less detail stating, "And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred [and] threescore days." It is that same timeframe spoken of in Daniel 7:25 and again in Revelation 11:2. While religious-political empire was in charge, the church was in God's protection.

But that was not sufficient. Total eradication is Satan's desire. So, using the religious-political power, "the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood" (Revelation 12:15). Practicing one's own faith based upon one's own conscience was forbidden and met with severe penalty.

However, there is good news. "And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth" (Revelation 12:16). The church was able to flee where the "earth" was. Now, if "water" represents "peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues" (Revelation 17:15) that means the opposite of "water", being "earth", represents the lack

thereof. And the great exodus of religious believers happened from the time the pilgrims landed safely on American soil and thereafter.

POINT 52: Antichrist would cause so much persecution in Europe that it would cause an exodus of people to flee the continent for a safe haven elsewhere, even what would become the United States.

We now move to the next chapter, that of Revelation 13 starting with verses 1-2, which states, "And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as [the feet] of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority." There is a lot contained in these verses that we need to address, however, many of them have been covered in other points. What we can do here however, is become more focused with the information being provided.

For instance, not only are the "ten horns", "leopard", "bear", and "lion" a repeat from Daniel 7:4-7, but these references are in exact reverse order. Sure, the ugly beast that has no name but described by Daniel as "dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth" is replaced with the "dragon" reference and is out of sequence, pause for a moment on that thought and follow the point we just made. The "ten horns", already discussed earlier, refers to the ten kingdoms that arose around 476 A.D., the credited date to the fall of Rome. These ten horns are found in Daniel 7:7. Prior to that, was the "leopard" beast of Greece in Daniel 7:6. Prior to that is the "bear" beast of Medo-Persia in Daniel 7:5. And prior to that is the "lion" beast of Babylon in Daniel 7:4. John is seeing history backwards while Daniel was seeing the future forwards. John is in vision, like time travel, seeing Europe and the influence of antichrist at that time. Now the reason Daniel's fourth beast is out of sequence is for the same reason we have been saying all along. Despite the world trying to credit the fall of Rome, as in the cessation of the Roman Empire, happening around 476 A.D., the Bible tells us a different story. That story is that the political empire transitioned into a religious-political empire and continues

even to this day. Therefore, John indeed sees antichrist in the "ten horn" period of time but wants to pull out a specific current and simultaneous activity where Rome never died. John, naming this fourth beast as the dragon, yes, referring to Satan (Revelation 12:9), but we all know that Satan did not show up in person to give the seat over to a new-looking empire. Satan used an existing empire to do it – the Roman Empire.

Now, as stated before, the political empire at some point following 476 A.D. decreed the authority to rule the apparent defunct political empire transforming it into the religious-political empire by ruling from the very seat held by the political empire. All authority of the political empire would then have been handed over to the new religious-political power to rule the "ten horns" carrying with it that which is found in the "leopard", "bear", and "lion".

Antichrist would only be able to have such power as long as "the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings [that] shall arise" (Daniel 7:24) supports this new religious-political empire. And they did – and even are going back to it this day.

The body being that of a leopard, referring to Greece as previously discussed finds its way into the antichrist system for even what the Bible connects it with – philosophy (Acts 17:16-18). Specifically, instead of the Word of God being trusted, Greek philosophy would be a large influence upon the theology, mixing the Greek and the Word of God together.

POINT 53: Greek philosophy would influence the beliefs of antichrist.

With the feet of the bear being the foundation on which antichrist stands, the Bible reveals that, unlike other nations, once a decree was signed, there was no allowance to undo it. No future decree could undo even a bad law, unlike Babylon who changed its mind frequently based upon circumstances, along with Greece who followed the latest philosophical concept. This is stated as an example in Esther 1:19, "let it be written among the laws of the Persians and the Medes, that it be not altered", and Daniel 6:8, "O king, establish the decree, and sign the

writing, that it be not changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which altereth not".

POINT 54: When antichrist declares officially the position, especially on a religious matter, it is infallible and stands forever.

Now, with the mouth of the lion, it would speak like Babylon. To "speak" includes laws, but mostly the teachings and practices would find their root in Babylonian pagan tradition. Of course, a Christian reason would be given for everything it does and says, keeping in mind that we do not bring worldly or pagan practices to the Bible looking for a verse to justify it, but rather we do not do, or teach, anything that the Word of God does not clearly establish. We do not go on insinuation alone, suggestiveness, or any other human influence, but simply the straight Word of God.

POINT 55: Antichrist would teach and practice Babylonian pagan traditions.

The fact that this beast rises up from the waters identifies only certain areas of the planet because "The waters which thou sawest, ..., are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues" (Revelation 17:15). So, antichrist is not going to rise up in Australia as it is only one nation and pretty much one tongue or language. The same can be true with the United States as we have Canada to the north and Mexico to the South. Yes, there are a number of island nations also, but even the number of languages is limited over here in America. The same could be said about the Asian continent as well as Russia. Pretty much, it is pointing to either the African continent or Europe, and seeing that there are several other points that focus upon Europe, we conclude again by the many languages, the populated countries, the number of countries, that antichrist location is indeed Europe.

POINT 56: Antichrist arises in densely populated area of the planet where many different languages are spoken and many nations border each other.

Regarding the "seven heads", we will get more detail in Revelation 17, therefore, we shall table that discussion until later after we simply

state, the seven heads "are seven kings" of which "five are fallen, and one is, [and] the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space" (Revelation 17:10). So, they represent seven successive kings and their kingdoms. By the time we get to Revelation 17, five of such kings and their empires will have fallen. But as stated, more on the details will follow. It is important we get at least this glimpse to help understand Revelation 13:3 in a moment.

As for the names of blasphemy, we already covered such things in other points.

Now, returning back to the reason why the dragon or ugly beast of Daniel 7:7 being out of sequence from being the exact reverse order of Daniel 7:4-7, we are told that "the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority" (Revelation 13:2). The dragon, using the fourth political world-influencing empire, Rome, gives up their seat and the great, vast authority over the crumbling empire to the antichrist transforming it into a religious-political empire. This is during the "ten horn" period from verse 1. It would happen after 476 A.D.

POINT 57: Antichrist would be given the seat of rulership and all authority over the political empire to merge with its religious influence to become the religious-political power that it is.

Revelation 13:3 gives us three points. "And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast." The antichrist, as in the nation, would receive a deadly wound, which means, it is a nation that loses its "great authority" for a time. Nations have died throughout history, so it is not that big of a point but it is a point nonetheless.

POINT 58: The antichrist nation would lose its power.

But then we see something that is rare: "his deadly wound was healed". The nation would regain its dominance, its influence, even the lost territory. And this would be completed when Revelation 17:12 is fulfilled.

POINT 59: The antichrist nation would regain its power.

Finally, "all the world wondered after the beast" is the third point. That does not mean literally every single person will accept the way of antichrist, knowingly or unknowingly for there is group that does resist for "Here is the patience of the saints: here [are] they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus" (Revelation 14:12). What it does mean is that we can expect the vast majority of people in every nation to go along with what the antichrist presents. They do not have to sign up or become a member, but eventually they will follow through with it. It also means that the antichrist influence is much broader than the old political empire that extended over Europe, western part of the Middle East, and into the northern part of Africa. This time, the influence is upon the whole world into every nation. It is really like a scene from a very bad movie where the villain appears to have been killed only to come back with much greater power to the point that he appears unstoppable. In fact, it has "the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders" (2 Thessalonians 2:9), but there is a greater power that will defeat antichrist once and for all: "And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone" (Revelation 19:20).

POINT 60: Antichrist would have worldwide influence gathering the majority of the population in each country.

Revelation 13:4 states, "And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who [is] like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?" We see Satan receives the true worship as antichrist is the child of Satan. And seeing that Satan has been focused upon working against Christ in the form of taking it out on God's people (Revelation 12:12-13) ever since the cross and resurrection (Revelation 12:10), it is not surprising that antichrist has been with us all along. In fact, it should have been expected.

The questions being asked though, implies that nothing can stand in the way of the antichrist. There is no one or nation on earth who is as powerful as the antichrist. There is no one or nation able to make war with the antichrist or else, face the consequences. And consequences have happened and continue to happen. If people think world leaders were simply taken out by COVID, think again. It masked numerous assassinations.

POINT 61: Antichrist would appear most powerful and unable to be stopped by any earthly challenger.

Revelation 13:5 reveals two points already covered by prior points: "And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty [and] two months." Daniel calls the blasphemies "great words" (Daniel 7:11, 25), and "speak marvellous things against the God of gods" (Daniel 11:36). The forty-two-month period, with thirty biblical days to a month, comes out to the same one thousand, two hundred, sixty prophetic days, or using God's "day for a year principle" (Numbers 14:34, Ezekiel 4:6), literal years. This matches the time-frame in Daniel 7:25 and Revelation 11:2.

Going into a bit more biblical detail on the speaking of blasphemous words, we reveal two points, one of which is new and the other that has been already covered. We get these two points by examining the life of Christ when He was accused of blasphemy.

John 10:33 says, "The Jews answered him, saying, For a good work we stone thee not; but for blasphemy; and because that thou, being a man, makest thyself God." This of course has already been addressed back in 2 Thessalonians 2:4, which says, "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God."

Mark 2:7 says, "Why doth this [man] thus speak blasphemies? who can forgive sins but God only?" Therefore, antichrist would claim the ability to forgive sins. Although the Bible says, "And I will give unto thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever thou shalt loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven" (Matthew 16:19), that is not giving people authority to forgive sins or condemn others of their sins. The

"keys" given are "the key of knowledge" as found in the books of scripture (Luke 11:52). According to scripture, if a person is participating in sin, if they repent, they are loose, but if they do not repent, then they are still bound in their sins. The hoarding of these keys by a select few is no different than what Jesus condemned: "Woe unto you, lawyers! for ye have taken away the key of knowledge: ye entered not in yourselves, and them that were entering in ye hindered" (Luke 11:52).

POINT 62: Antichrist would claim the authority to be able to forgive sins.

Revelation 13:6 gets more specific regarding the type of blasphemy spoken: "And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven." As covered before, one way to blaspheme against God is to act in the place of God, even "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4). The blasphemy of the tabernacle was also addressed when it was declared that antichrist would try to usurp the role of Jesus Christ in the heavenly sanctuary or tabernacle.

As for blaspheming "those that dwell in Heaven", we have God, whom the verse already addressed by name, and the angels, which we already discussed in another point where antichrist thinks he is able to command the angel forces at his will. There is another way to blaspheme those in Heaven by placing beings that are not in Heaven into Heaven, and then turn around and use those beings as agents of Heaven. God commissions angels to be messengers between Heaven and earth. Antichrist would blaspheme that relationship regarding that which is in Heaven and come up with their own messengers.

The Bible teaches that "Here is the patience of the saints: here [are] they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus" (Revelation 14:12). Saints are obedient, commandment-keeping, of a strong faith, human beings. Saints are not deceased people who are dependent upon a commission on earth to investigate their earthly

lives to see if the title "saint" is applicable, and if it is, now become a communicator between God and man.

POINT 63: Antichrist would think to have power to bestow sainthood upon certain deceased people so as to become heavenly intercessors.

Revelation 13:7 states, "And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations." Daniel already addressed the "war" and "overcoming" part (Daniel 7:21), and technically, the part on "power" was already addressed in Revelation 13:2.

Revelation 13:8 continues with, "And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world." This too was addressed in verse 4.

Revelation 13:9-10 finishes off with, "If any man have an ear, let him hear. He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints." Verse 10 focuses upon the deadly wound that was already covered in verse 3.

Now, in Revelation 13:11-12, without getting specific in the identification, states, "And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed." Here, we see that antichrist receives assistance from another nation. Another nation would be powerful enough to encourage the rest of the world to worship or obey the antichrist.

POINT 64: Antichrist would get assistance from another nation.

Revelation 13:13-14 tells us, "And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by [the means of] those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the

beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live." Now, if people forget that, in the King James Version of the Bible, regarding words used in Revelation are "signified" (Revelation 1:1), they will easily think that Daniel 3 is going to be repeated where a real image will be erected to be worshipped.

2 Corinthians 3:18 broadens our understanding of the word "image" by stating, "But we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, [even] as by the Spirit of the Lord." An image can be that of a mirror, a replica, a look-alike, even a nation practicing the same religious-political combination. In fact, it will not be just one nation to act in character. All will participate.

Then Revelation 13:15 tells us that it does come about. "And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed." Nations speak through their laws. Now, involving a religious aspect, to obey the government over God's Word is a form of worship – it is called obedience. But true Christians will state, as Peter stated, "We ought to obey God rather than men" (Acts 5:29). The consequence is going to be a death sentence if one does not comply, much like there is a call for those not complying with the COVID response of masks and vaccines should lose their jobs, be caught off from government help, not be allowed to collect unemployment, be dishonorably discharged, and left to die.

Now, Revelation 13:16-17 needs to be read carefully. "And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name." In the prior verses, making an image was discussed. In these verses, they are not going to make a "mark". The "mark" already exists. Further, participation is required to be able to buy and sell, however, that does not make the "mark" a financial object.

In 1979, a license plate determined if one was allowed to buy gas with the even and odd rationing period during the oil shortage. Today, the vaccine card is determining some people's ability to buy and sell, to go places, to participate in activities. When people limit the "mark" to a credit card, to an identification card like the Social Security Card influencing financial decisions, even purchasing chips, the "mark" is missed very easily, being a non-financial object.

This second nation involved in assisting the antichrist does not create the "mark" but is "the mark of the beast" (Revelation 16:2). In other words, the antichrist already has a "mark" since the official existence of the antichrist nation and the second nation only enforces that mark.

POINT 65: Antichrist has a mark of identification that will be enforced by restricting buying and selling for all that do not comply.

And then we get to the infamous six-six-six or should we say, six hundred, sixty-six? Revelation 13:18 states, "Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number [is] Six hundred threescore [and] six." Over the years, people have been picking on people's names, like the presidents of the United States and trying to see if the names add up to or look like the number six hundred and sixty-six. Although, it says that it is a number of a man, remember, Daniel said that "there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn [were] eyes like the eyes of man" (Daniel 7:8). The number of a man may not be the actual man's name. It can be the title that the man holds that still refers to the man at the head of the antichrist.

POINT 66: Antichrist leader would have a name or title that adds up to 666.

Revelation 14:6-12, read carefully, is a warning message along with guidance to survive the antichrist, the image, and even the "mark", but with comes along some more references to the antichrist. First, we are told in verse 6, "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the

earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people." This makes sense and confirms that antichrist's influence is in every nation, every type of people, and every language spoken. That is what Revelation 13:3 stated, "all the world wondered after the beast."

Verse 7 reveals many of the false theologies of antichrist that has influenced not only people in general but Christians in particular. Just when Christians think they are worshipping God correctly, they must have, along the way, incorporated teachings of antichrist to cause such a last moment effort from Heaven to call people to rethink their position.

For instance, if antichrist can "think to change times and laws" (Daniel 7:25), many denominations have gone so far as to cast all of the Ten Commandments aside. This is concerning, because the words "Fear God" are connected with keeping the Ten Commandments: "Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God, and keep his commandments: for this [is] the whole [duty] of man" (Ecclesiastes 12:13). Further, "The fear of the LORD [is] to hate evil" (Proverbs 8:13). Sin is evil. "Sin is the transgression of the law" (1 John 3:4). So, all denominations that do not hate sin in the church but make allowance, even make it comfortable to exist, have no fear. And all that dismiss the commandments also have no fear, hence the cry to "Fear God!"

The next item that antichrist has distorted is giving God glory. Using the method outlined in Isaiah 28:9-10, this is more than just mouthing the words, "Glory to God!" "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost [which is] in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's" (1 Corinthians 6:19-20). In fact, "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and [that] the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which [temple] ye are" (1 Corinthians 3:16-17). Antichrist has made people think that they can eat anything they want, that they can treat their bodies however they please, that they can drink whatever concoction they dream of, etc. Antichrist has taught many to destroy their bodies even in a slow manner along with mental feedings from television, movies, videos, and music.

The fact that we have to be reminded about the judgment means that so many Christians must be excusing themselves since they believe they are already saved. Further, antichrist teaches that people will sin right up until meeting Jesus, basically teaching that everyone will go to Heaven.

Finally, we are told "worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters". This is not about just worshipping the Creator as opposed to evolution. Search the scriptures, as Isaiah 28:9-10 tells us, and eventually one will find similar words right in the heart of the Sabbath commandment "the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them [is]" (Exodus 20:11). Therefore, antichrist has made people to think that any day of worship is fine, in fact, it is not a day at all. Many Christians give God a mere hour or two or not even any time at all.

But we shall not make these items points of identification as they are merely confirmation of existing points. We already know that Daniel told us to expect antichrist to change up the commandments, cast down the truth, even God's Word along with trying to change God's times.

So, we move onto Revelation 14:8, which tells us, "And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication." Babylon is equated with confusion or confounding for at the tower of Babel, God stated, "let us go down, and there confound their language, that they may not understand one another's speech" (Genesis 11:7). To fall is being led by antichrist to believe antichrist and enter into sin (2 Thessalonians 2:3). To drink wine is to enter into erroneous doctrines for "they also have erred through wine, and through strong drink are out of the way; the priest and the prophet have erred through strong drink, they are swallowed up of wine, they are out of the way through strong drink; they err in vision, they stumble [in] judgment" (Isaiah 28:7). The reason it contains "wrath" is because if one did not adhere to antichrist doctrine, the death penalty was applied and will be applied. The word "fornication" on a spiritual sense is the act of mingling the pure with the impure, God's Word with the ways of the world (James 4:4), mixing a lie with the truth (1 John 2:21). Basically, Babylon has fallen away or even "cast down the truth to the ground" (Daniel 8:12) and presents her own doctrines that if people do not comply with will face consequences. Such is not exercised universally yet as we are between the deadly wound time where she lost such authority and it being fully healed when she shall regain it. But again, this is but confirmation of prior points. And as for spreading the false doctrines, please keep in mind that it is not only fulfilled by antichrist but being the "mother of harlots" (Revelation 17:5) her daughters are also sharing it; and in fact, antichrist allows her daughters to perpetrate most of the false teachings as she works in the background.

In Revelation 14:9-11, it states, "And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive [his] mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb: And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name." We see the consequence of not worshipping the beast or his image, which is a likeness in character, or receive the mark of his authority. The result may appear to have the upper hand over the dissenters for a short time, but in the end, they shall receive the "wrath of God", which are "the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God" (Revelation 15:1), and eventually suffering fire and brimstone. The consequences are a wait-and-see item, but when we are seeing it, it will be too late to say, "Ah, that point is correct" and then believe. As for the worship point and even the "mark", both have been addressed already. Again, these verses serve as confirmation of the prior points.

To finish out the warning, we are told, "Here is the patience of the saints: here [are] they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus" (Revelation 14:12). If keeping the Ten Commandments is a big deal in surviving the beast, the image, and the "mark", it makes

logical sense that the "mark" has to involve something with the Ten Commandments especially when Daniel 7:25 tells us that antichrist is trying to mess around with the commandments themselves and specifically makes at least two changes to the one that involves "time", which only the Sabbath commandment has time connected to it. No other commandment does. Therefore, it is yet additional confirmation of what we have been exposed to already.

While we are at it, Revelation 14:14 states, "And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud [one] sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle." This is the symbolic representation of Jesus coming again showing how Revelation 14:6-12 becomes the last day warning and encouragement at the end of time.

Now, moving along in sequence through Revelation, the next item that is of any significance related to the antichrist is found in Revelation 16:8-9 to start with. "And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire. And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory." Now, in scripture, things are not just arbitrarily executed by God. They are thought out, planned, and purposed. For instance, the seven last plagues are not an act of God going to His spice rack and randomly shaking a little of this and a little of that upon the earth to make up the seven last plagues. Like the ten plagues in Egypt, there was purpose behind every step. The Nile was worshipped and so God turned it to blood. Frogs were worshipped, therefore God gave them more frogs than they could handle. They purposely were in spiritual darkness, hence, the plague of darkness. In the end, people worship false healers, hence the plague of boils (Revelation 16:2). People are investing in and purchasing worldly items, much of which gratifies the flesh and the bank accounts, so the shipping lanes, the seas will be turned to blood bringing it to a close (Revelation 16:3). The fresh water supply will be next that turns to blood (Revelation 16:4) for the abuse of it.

And then we come to the fourth plague. Is it only a coincidence that we have been saying all along that antichrist has something against God's Sabbath found in the fourth commandment and here we have a fourth plague using the object in which Constantine caused Christians to start worshipping? In other words, the fourth plague of sun is giving the people all the sun or Sunday they can handle where they will hate the sun for scorching them. Of course, "Because thou hast made the LORD, [which is] my refuge, [even] the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling" (Psalms 91:9-10). Using a Christian reason without a direct command of God, Who, during week number one declared, "on the seventh day God ended his work which he had made; and he rested on the seventh day from all his work which he had made. And God blessed the seventh day, and sanctified it: because that in it he had rested from all his work which God created and made" (Genesis 2:2-3). Seeing that the recipients of this and other plagues is "upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and [upon] them which worshipped his image" (Revelation 16:2), it tells us that the "mark" has to be something connected to one of the punishments of God and tied to the commandments as the survivors are the ones keeping the commandments. The only conclusion is that of the fourth commandment being changed into a different day and cycle of time, which are the two changes bragged about by antichrist. But now, we pause this connection process to again to remind everyone that we have already covered this item in different ways under other points.

So, moving on, Revelation 16:10-11, it states, "And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds." Here again, the plague is not arbitrary. The "King of the North" (Daniel 11:13), "BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH" (Revelation 17:5) led people into darkness and therefore will receive so much darkness physically that it will be painful.

In addressing this darkness, we are told that antichrist "by peace shall destroy many" (Daniel 8:25), yet it seems that in fornication with the kings of the earth, antichrist has the world striving for this peace, even peace and safety. "For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape" (1 Thessalonians 5:3). What is interesting about this "peace and safety", it is a distraction away from the true events for "ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief" (1 Thessalonians 5:4). So, that is one way people are being led into darkness.

Another is the title given to antichrist regarding their activity — "man of sin" (2 Thessalonians 2:3). Jesus came "To open their eyes, [and] to turn [them] from darkness to light, and [from] the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me" (Acts 26:18). Leading people into sin, an activity against Christ, hence the term anti-Christ, is leading people into darkness. And of course, that takes us back to the original act of getting people to sin — change the Ten Commandments: "think to change times and laws" (Daniel 7:25). Therefore, that is the second way that antichrist leads people into darkness, by having them knowingly and unknowingly committing sin.

Tell people that the Sabbath was never changed by God and every excuse is used to defend it: "It does not matter which day", "Jesus rose on a Sunday", "It is the Lord's day", etc. These are knowingly sinning and defending their position despite the blatant details of properly keeping the fourth commandment as stated in the Ten Commandments.

Based on these two acts alone, the religious-political empire will be hit specifically with the plague of darkness beyond simply not being able to see very far but to feel it as well.

Now, in the sixth plague, we are told, "And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs [come] out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of

the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, [which] go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty" (Revelation 16:12-14).

To understand these verses properly, we need to realize that in the sixth plague, it is stated, "Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed [is] he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame" (Revelation 16:15). That is the second coming. The seventh plague is used to destroy all life left behind after that event, for during the last plague, "every island fled away, and the mountains were not found" (Revelation 16:20). That means, during the sixth plague, "the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive [and] remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord" (1 Thessalonians 4:16-17).

The point of providing the details about the sixth and seventh plagues is to help us realize that these are not sequential events in verses 12 to 14. Why would three unclean spirits go forth to deceive people if during the sixth plague the second coming is happening? It is not as if someone that is being lifted off of the planet to meet Jesus in the air is going to look back and fall for a deception. It is not like anyone not being lifted off the planet needs help to be deceived. They are not going up to meet Jesus and are already lost. Therefore, verses 13 and 14 happen prior to verse 12, well before verse 12, even before any plagues, and we shall explain the proper sequence of events.

Right now, Revelation 16:13-14 is happening. "And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs [come] out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, [which] go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty." As a reminder, "the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world" (Revelation 12:9), who has an instrument that he works through called the beast or antichrist, for "the

dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority" (Revelation 13:2). The "false prophet" is not a single person that is an erroneous prophet but "he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed" (Revelation 13:12), which is none other than the nation represented by "two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon" (Revelation 13:11). The connection between the "false prophet" and the second half of Revelation 13 is the reference to "working miracles" (Revelation 16:14) and "deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by [the means of] those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast" (Revelation 13:14). The devil we know we cannot trust; antichrist is also a given for not being trustworthy as it works against all that Christ taught, but the false prophet is not so easily recognizable because all they do appears to be for humanity yet deceptively (Revelation 13:14) leads people back to the first beast. It is as if a nation were formed, like that of Revelation 12 says that protested against the religious-political system (Revelation 12:13-14), sought refuge (Revelation 12:16), and then turns around and persecutes the faithful few the same way the religious-political power did (Revelation 12:17, Revelation 13:12). As referred to before in Revelation 14:8, the "mother of harlots" (Revelation 17:5) is working behind the scenes as her daughters seem to be the visible persecuting power today.

The objective of these three powers is "to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty" (Revelation 16:14). To fight against God is not done with nuclear weapons, bullets, or any other military means. It is fought by causing people to believe incorrectly and staunchly that way where they do not want to be corrected for their beliefs. No wonder when the actual battle takes place it is identified by Christ's "name is called The Word of God" (Revelation 19:13). Through movies and TV, "casting down the truth to the ground" (Daniel 8:12), pew warmers that "turn away [their] ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables" (2 Timothy 4:4), they that find "teachers, having itching ears" (2 Timothy 4:3), and much more, the Word of God is made a laughing-stock even among supposed Christians. And the ultimate point is that "the kings of the earth" (Revelation 16:14) are influ-

enced by what these three characters with unclean spirits say and do to the point that they restrict the citizens from knowing the truth, which is presently happening. In other words, Cancel Culture was predicted.

POINT 67: Antichrist would be part of three powers influencing the leaders of nations causing the citizens to be prepared to fight against God.

Now, we have Revelation 16:12, which says, "And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared." Just as Babylon in the book of Revelation is not referring to literal Babylon but spiritual Babylon of confusion, the same equates with the river Euphrates, the lifeline to Babylon.

The river flowed through the literal city of Babylon providing the support for the city. To keep enemies from using the river to come up in the city, there were what were called "leaved gates" (Isaiah 45:1). These were gates extended from the wall down to the floor of the river permitting water to flow but large creatures, such as people, were kept out. These gates would be left open one night for Cyrus to conquer on the day Babylon fell. "Thus saith the LORD to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut" (Isaiah 45:1). Further, Cyrus had diverted the river so that he did not have to conduct a marine, or water, mission. "That saith to the deep, Be dry, and I will dry up thy rivers: That saith of Cyrus, [He is] my shepherd, and shall perform all my pleasure: even saying to Jerusalem, Thou shalt be built; and to the temple, Thy foundation shall be laid" (Isaiah 44:27-28).

No doubt John is drawing from a literal historic event to compare with Revelation's spiritual Babylon. The lifeline of Revelation's Babylon is not with a literal river, but just as the drying up of that river brought the fall of literal Babylon, so the drying up of the support system for Revelation's Babylon will cause the fall, the loss of her power. The reference to "the great river Euphrates" states "the water thereof was

dried up" (Revelation 16:12). Symbolically, "The waters which thou sawest, ..., are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues" (Revelation 17:15). In other words, it is during the sixth plague that the world's population finally catches on. They will realize that they have been duped and duped eternally, for it will be too late to change sides. They will realize that they were on the wrong side following the populace and follow they will to their destruction.

Again, we shall not make this a point as that is yet future but so close to the second coming that it would be too late to declare, "Hey, you know, this explanation is correct. I ought to believe now."

Therefore, we shall move into Revelation 17, starting with verse 1, which is a reiteration of a prior point. "And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters." As stated just a moment ago, "The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues" (Revelation 17:15), identifies that the antichrist is located where many different tongues, peoples, and nations exist along with being heavily populated. That eliminates America, Asia, even the Middle East and Africa. Though Africa contains many nations, they are not as heavily populated as Europe is, fitting the fact that Daniel saw a "little horn" rise out of the apparent fall of Rome when the Empire became ten separate kingdoms (Daniel 7:24).

Moving on to verse 2, which says, "With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication." This verse is actually repetitive and already addressed in other places, where the kings or leaders of each nation meet with antichrist promoting worldly ideals even with a religious connection. But this was addressed during the sixth plague in Revelation 16. The inhabitants becoming drunk with the mixture of religious and worldly policy and antichrist doctrine was covered in Revelation 14.

That brings us to verse 3, which says, "So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns." The word "wilderness" is a reference to Revelation 12, the time period that antichrist would rule pretty much unchallenged for one thousand two hundred and sixty days prophetically or years, literally. In fact, a later verse reveals that it is at the moment of a judgment against antichrist where it receives the deadly wound (Revelation 13:3).

A woman is indictive of a religious body for God says when speaking symbolically, "I have likened the daughter of Zion to a comely and delicate [woman]" (Jeremiah 6:2). Paul wrote, "I may present [you as] a chaste virgin to Christ" (2 Corinthians 11:2). And John penned, "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely" (Revelation 22:17). These are three examples of verses referring to God's people known as the church, not referring to a building. Further, when a church, including Israel and Judah individually, are in apostasy, a woman is still used: "And I saw, when for all the causes whereby backsliding Israel committed adultery I had put her away, and given her a bill of divorce; yet her treacherous sister Judah feared not, but went and played the harlot also" (Jeremiah 3:8). Therefore, it is more confirmation of the religious-political connection and not just a political one. Keep in mind, apostasy happens when a religious power begins upon the right path with God, or at least claims to be, and then allows error and worldliness to come in. Apostasy is not simply a group of people in error from the beginning. Muslims are not in apostasy from Christianity for they never started out as Christian.

Now, the fact that she sits on the beast shows that the religious part of the connection actually runs the nation, the beast, hence why we reference the empire as religious-political and not political-religious, for religion is the apparent dominant appearance over the political power it wields.

POINT 68: Antichrist would control politics by its religious influence.

Now the beast is no longer made up of various body parts as Revelation 13 revealed. This time it is scarlet, yet, it has the same seven heads and ten horns. Therefore, the appearance has changed.

We are told that "though your sins be as scarlet..." (Isaiah 1:18) connecting sin to the beast. After the process of the deadly wound being healed (Revelation 13), a new appearance comes forth from the antichrist nation. It is one where the sins of the past have become revealed, for Paul wrote, "except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition" (2 Thessalonians 2:3). Instead of denying their sins, they embrace them in such a way that they use them to their advantage, gaining the sympathy of the world. In other words, going to various denominations that used to hate her and now apologizing for the atrocities she had committed during the twelve-hundred-sixty-year period against them, has created new friendships, broken down the barriers, even to the point of dismissing the disagreements they once had though the antichrist character really has not changed. It is a garb, a false covering. By going to various religions of the world that they used to war with, there are more apologies and acceptance being portrayed gaining friends and erasing the history of the bloodshed. Even to unbelievers, she appears to apologize for her relationship with them, becoming more welcoming of them and their practices.

POINT 69: Antichrist would use the exposed sins in a manner to gain sympathy from her old enemies.

Now, we get to the names of blasphemy which are titles used to "opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4). And one way to shew that they are God, setting a bad example for others to follow, is by claiming the titles of God to themselves, for instance, "holy and reverend [is] his name" (Psalms 111:9), referring to God, but not by our names. In a spiritual sense, "call no [man] your father upon the earth: for one is your Father, which is in heaven" (Matthew 23:9). Now, many ministers in many different denominations do use those titles as well. Individually, "the times of this ignorance God winked at" (Acts 17:30),

so it is not for us to condemn as it is to be used to identify the antichrist along with enlightening people so that they know better. That goes for every sin, especially those done in ignorance.

POINT 70: Antichrist would take titles belonging to God alone.

Our next verse to look at is verse 4. "And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication" (Revelation 17:4). Contents in the description of the antichrist, the religious-political system that works against Christ, is not by chance or arbitrary. Each item has meaning, as we saw with the word "scarlet" a moment ago. Likewise, the purple and scarlet of this verse is not by chance. In fact, it carries two meanings. Yes, the "scarlet" refers to being clothed in sin. Purple, on the other hand, is identified at the time of mocking of Jesus. "And the soldiers platted a crown of thorns, and put [it] on his head, and they put on him a purple robe, and said, Hail, King of the Jews! and they smote him with their hands" (John 19:2-3). Properly done, it is a recognition of royalty, kingly position. These understandings are confirmed in the words of Paul, "that man of sin" (2 Thessalonians 2:3) and "that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God" (2 Thessalonians 2:4). Now, to be kingly is a political role. To be clothed with sin is a religious reference. And again, we have here the confirmation of the religious-political combination, therefore, we shall not explicitly state this as a point as we pretty much have already covered it, but the second use of the two colors is astonishing.

Purple and scarlet would also be the official colors of the antichrist entity. It would be like the president of the United States being the antichrist having congress wear these colors, where senators would wear scarlet outfits and the House of Representatives wearing purple or vice versa (the other way around). Remember, the President of the United States is not the antichrist as the location of the antichrist is in Europe per the prophecies already covered. This was just an example of the use of purple and scarlet as in being clothed.

POINT 71: Antichrist would have purple and scarlet as official colors.

Being "decked with gold and precious stones and pearls" reveals the wealth as well as the free use of it. Again, it has a dual usage. Although we cannot be specific without naming names, which is not our goal in this publication, we can say that all one has to do is look at the clothing worn by the representatives of this nation, the instruments of service, and even the buildings themselves constructed not only with precious stones but even pearls.

POINT 72: Antichrist would be a wealthy nation.

POINT 73: Antichrist would make free use of gold, precious stones, and even pearls.

"Having a golden cup in her hand" is not only symbolic language but is also literally fulfilled during the religious services.

POINT 74: Antichrist would make use of having a golden cup in her hand.

That cup being "full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication" refers to the doctrines surrounding its use. As leaven is connected with sin and the feast of Unleavened Bread symbolized the removal of sin (Leviticus 6:17), likewise strong drink or wine should in nowise represent the blood of Christ as strong drink and alcoholic wine would be symbols of sin. The wine that Christ drank (1 Corinthians 11:25), the water that became wine (John 2:1-11), the encouragement for Timothy to drink wine (1 Timothy 5:23), all point to "the new wine is found in the cluster" (Isaiah 65:8), which we call non-alcoholic and even just plainly as grape juice. Therefore, to present alcoholic wine as a symbol of Christ's blood is basically stating that the blood of Jesus is sinful, which is an abomination. This is also a type of fornication, mixing a sinful symbol with the purity of Christ. As for abominable and fornicating doctrines in general, we already covered that in prior points.

POINT 75: Antichrist would teach abominable and fornicating doctrine both spiritually and physically.

Revelation 17:5 says, "And upon her forehead [was] a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND

ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH." Now, do not be looking around for a woman or national leader having a tattoo with those words. The word "name" refers to "character" in which Exodus 34:5-7 reveals by stating, "proclaimed the name of the LORD" and in doing so, it was all character traits: "The LORD, The LORD God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear [the guilty]; visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, and upon the children's children, unto the third and to the fourth [generation]." Therefore, to go forth in the "name of Jesus" is to go forth in the character of Jesus.

Too many false Christians go forth in the "name of Jesus" and use it as some powerful phrase or badge to wear. "In the name of Jesus, I rebuke thee!" "In the name of Jesus, I command thee!" Although Christians are to have power even over devils (Mark 3:15), it is not meant as a tool to put on a show. All that results in is the devil making a fool out of many ministers and laity who try to use the "name of Jesus" that way. Maybe if they tried putting on the character of Jesus first, they might have better results.

So, it is the character of the antichrist being revealed, especially on the side of the religious part of this religious-political entity because we are focused upon the woman at this point. Therefore, her doctrines would be confusing. Not only would they be confusing, but she would greatly, vastly confuse the world with those doctrines where even atheists would be confused.

POINT 76: Antichrist would have confusing doctrines used to confuse all people, even those not directly connected to her.

The fact that she is a mother reveals that she must have children, specifically daughters, for they are harlots. Those daughters would carry the false teachings despite even hating the mother. It is like running away from home but keeping connections with home. Has that person really run away? Keep in mind, we are still looking at the religious aspect of things, therefore, the daughters are also religious entities.

POINT 77: Antichrist would have her doctrines taught in other religious bodies.

Revelation 17:6 says, "And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration."

Both of these statements about blood are a reaffirmation of the antichrist waging war against the saints (Daniel 7:21). The wonder is in amazement that she would be able to do what she did, think of doing it, and actually following through with it.

In moving on to Revelation 17:7-8, John is told that more detail would be provided. "And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns. The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is." These two verses connect the beasts of Revelation 13 and 17 together. We see in verse 7 a different wording of the "woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast" along with "having seven heads and ten horns" (Revelation 17:3). But in Revelation 17:8, the words "The beast that thou sawest was, and is not" and "the beast that was, and is not, and yet is" refers to the fact that there is a beast in Revelation 13:1-2, receives a deadly wound in verse 3, and then have that wound healed also in verse 3. The words "go into perdition" are similar to the title from Paul, "the son of perdition" (2 Thessalonians 2:3). But back in Revelation 13, it is said, "all the world wondered after the beast" (verse 3). Now we see specifically that it is those "whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world" (Revelation 17:8). Keep in mind though, it will be so numerous that it will look like all of the world follows the beast, for even Jesus said, "Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide [is] the gate, and broad [is] the way, that leadeth to destruction, and many there be which go in thereat: Because strait [is] the gate, and narrow [is] the way, which leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it" (Matthew 7:13-14). In

fact, the majority of Christianity will also be duped. "Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven. Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity" (Matthew 7:21-23).

Now, in Revelation 17:9 we are given a specific location in Europe. "And here [is] the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth." Keeping in mind that hills and mountains are synonyms, nevertheless, there may be mountains in Europe but few are known for the collection of seven of them.

POINT 78: Antichrist would be located upon seven mountains.

Next, we are given an identification of the empire time-frame in Revelation 17:10-11, which says, "And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, [and] the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition." So, we have eight kings or eight kings and their kingdoms, as Daniel 7 stated when referring to kings. The eight kingdom is a repeat of one of the prior ones and identified as "was, and is not, and even he is", which is another way of saying, "I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed" (Revelation 13:3). Therefore, the eighth and one of the seven are the antichrist, where antichrist ruled for twelve hundred sixty years (prior point), ceased, and is ascending to becoming the eighth kingdom even now, though at the time of the creation of the document, is not quite there yet but will be soon. Since the eighth kingdom is connected to the beast of Revelation 13, it is not by chance that between Daniel and Revelation that there are exactly seven beast powers that influenced, or are influencing, the world that would qualify, even if they do not commonly state it, as empires. We have the lion of Daniel 7:4 that refers to the Babylonian Empire, which was followed by the bear of Daniel 7:5 which refers to the Medo-Persian Empire. That was followed by the four-headed leopard of the Grecian Empire in Daniel 7:6. Daniel 7:7 revealed an ugly, unnamed beast, but with help of other verses describing this fourth kingdom, it turns out to be political Rome. Moving along, we come to Revelation 13:1-2 seeing a beast made up of all of those animals and ruling for twelve-hundred sixty years being the antichrist. Around the time of the deadly wound, another beast is released in Revelation 11:7 attacking religion, which fits right along with the "King of the South" pushing against the "King of the North" in Daniel 11. Closer to the end of time, the first beast of Revelation 13 would be assisted by the second beast of Revelation 13, specifically in verse 11. This beast would bolster, build up, help the first beast of Revelation 13 to regain the ascendancy. And that is happening even now. Keep in mind, in comparison to the prior six empires, the seventh one is the shortest of them all. Babylon, from the point of King Nebuchadnezzar, which was the time of Daniel, only existed for sixty-seven years. That means the antichrist should soon be coming to power as she held in her former days. This information, however, is just a rewording of points already addressed, so we move on.

Now, Revelation 17:12-13 refers to "the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast." Again, the ten horns have also refocused just as the beast was not the conglomerate but all scarlet. The ten horns no longer refer to just Europe, for they already received their kingdoms, but to a future ten powers that do receive their kingdoms. We shall not speculate on what that exactly means, but we will point out that the great reset that we are going through, which is pushing to place antichrist over the whole world is all for a mere one hour of time - not literally. Using the "each day for a year" principle in Numbers 14:34 and Ezekiel 4:6, one hour of time is one twenty-fourth of a day. That would mean for a period of one twenty-fourth of a year, or a mere fifteen days is all that the antichrist will have to claim as the eighth empire. It sounds like utter nonsense, but remember, the achievement will be marked "when they shall say, Peace and safety" (1 Thessalonians 5:3), but "then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape" (1 Thessalonians 5:3). That would fit the prophecy quite

well. To finally be back in power ruling all nations (Revelation 13:7, 14:8, 18:3, and 18:23), sudden destruction will topple her, basically, an act of God known as "the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God" (Revelation 15:1). Now, we are not going to make this a point because first, we do not have the definitive identification of the ten horns, and the time-frame for this will be so close to the very final events that "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still" (Revelation 22:11).

Revelation 17:14 is a rewording of Revelation 16:13-16. "These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him [are] called, and chosen, and faithful." To make war with the Lamb, Jesus, is not done with nuclear weapons, guns, or even knives. Jesus is in Heaven. We only reach Heaven through prayers and thoughts. Before the second coming, John sees "three unclean spirits like frogs [come] out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet" (Revelation 16:13) "to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty" (Revelation 16:14) of which that war is actually against the One that is "clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God" (Revelation 19:13). It comes down to either having the Word of God or not. We either "transgresseth, and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ" (2 John 1:9) because we listened to "a deceiver and an antichrist" (2 John 1:7), or we "abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son" (2 John 1:9). So, we see a battle in Revelation 16 between those deceived as compared to those that are ready to be gathered into Mount Zion (Armageddon), preparing to make war against the Lamb in Revelation 17, and the actual battle taking place in Revelation 19, which is no battle at all as those that are against the Lamb, "the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming" (2 Thessalonians 2:8). As we see, we already covered the war in Revelation 16, so there is no additional point but a confirmation that we are understanding scripture correctly, "rightly dividing the word of truth" (2 Timothy 2:15) according to the methodology of Isaiah 28:9-10. For additional confirmation,

we read the details of this swift battle and the results thereof in Revelation 19:19-21: "And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which [sword] proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh." Even the source of preparing to fight against the Lamb, being the dragon, the beast, and the false prophet, are shown losing the battle, as expected: "And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet [are], and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever."

Revelation 17:15 is a reference verse that we have used numerous times but included here because of the verse-by-verse walk through Revelation 17: "And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues."

Revelation 17:16-17 is also a reiteration from Revelation 16: "And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire. For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled." During the seven last plagues, "the great river Euphrates" is referenced and it is said, "the water thereof was dried up" (Revelation 16:12). As stated, without going into detail here as we went into detail back in Revelation 16, the literal river Euphrates is meaningless in any war involving the whole earth. As Babylon is symbolic, so is the lifeline known as "Euphrates". The "water" has a consistent symbolic representation of "peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues" as stated in Revelation 17:15. That means that the support of the people, the nations, the different languages, dries up, is cut off, is no more. Here in Revelation 17:16-17, we see it being exe-

cuted as such paralleling the two chapters and confirming our understanding. Again, there is no additional point here.

The chapter ends with Revelation 17:18, which says, "And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth." This verse confirms world dominance but it also reaffirms Daniel's declaration of being a little horn, a nation no larger than the size of a city.

We now move onto Revelation 18, with Revelation 18:1-2 to start us of with as it says, "And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." This angel works in conjunction with the three of Revelation 14 by repeating the "is fallen, is fallen" announcement. Being at the very end of time, this is a last call for people of all walks of life, including atheism, to stop being influenced by antichrist directly or indirectly.

Being the "habitation of devils", especially involving the continued practices of Babylon, Medo-Persia, and Greece, for "their lives were prolonged for a season and time" (Daniel 7:12) only now they have a Christian garb to them as defined by prior points.

Having "the hold of every foul spirit" refers to every teaching and practice the world has to offer for "in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils" (1 Timothy 4:1). This is well exampled by the COEXIST movement where all religions are believed to be acceptable to God. Though Jesus never encouraged His followers to attack other religions, He did declare that "I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me" (John 14:6). That makes Christianity, that portion which practices the way Jesus taught and has His truth only, is the correct religion. We do know that for those who die outside of this knowledge that there is some allowance from God for this situation. This is depicted in a conversation which takes place after we are all gathered in Heaven with someone who was not a Christian: "And [one]

shall say unto him, What [are] these wounds in thine hands? Then he shall answer, [Those] with which I was wounded [in] the house of my friends" (Zechariah 13:6). We leave that judgment to God alone. But the point of this is to realize that the antichrist would appear to accept all religions, all beliefs, all denominations under her.

POINT 79: Antichrist would accept all religions, beliefs, and denominational differences.

Being "a cage of every unclean and hateful bird" needs broken down a bit. First, Jesus even used sparrows to compare to human beings (Matthew 10:29-31). Therefore, "Mine enemies chased me sore, like a bird, without cause" (Lamentations 3:52) is appropriate because any and all who hate the true Christian beliefs are welcomed under antichrist. The reference to being "unclean" is a term associated with being unacceptable. Unclean animals were discarded from being considered a food source (Leviticus 11). Pharisees made a rule that if a ceremonial washing did not take place, the food, even though it be a clean animal, was considered unclean, unacceptable (Mark 7:4). And even human beings were identified by being labeled as unclean, unacceptable, both because of disease like leprosy (Leviticus 13) as well as not being one of God's people, such as pagans (Ephesians 5:5, Acts 10:28). The fact that they were unclean and hateful birds and are in cages, Jeremiah 5:27 speaks to this: "As a cage is full of birds, so [are] their houses full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and waxen rich." Therefore, we have deceitful, rich, unsaved, hateful millionaires and billionaires connected with antichrist.

An example of how this can be so is by just looking at the billionaire, Bill Gates. Under the guise of claiming to help humanity, he is deceitfully depopulating the planet while being convinced, by his own words, that we need to reduce carbon emissions, which he has said is to be accomplished by primarily a reduction in the population. In other words, with a smile on his face, he hates humanity.

POINT 80: Antichrist has a working relationship with the world's rich, deceitful, and hateful people.

Revelation 18:3 tells us, "For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies." Again, a good portion of this verse has already been addressed, where "all nations have drunk the wine of the wrath of her fornication" was addressed in Revelation 14. "The kings of the earth have committed fornication with her" was addressed in Revelation 17. Even "the abundance of her delicacies" was addressed in Revelation 17. That leaves "the merchants of the earth are waxed rich". Sure they are waxed rich! When the billionaire corporate leaders have a working relationship with antichrist, which many have personally visited in the past decade or two and many meeting just a handful of years before the pandemic, and as a result, their companies seemed to have thrived during the pandemic. Is it a coincidence or planned? When "mom and pop" are able to implement pandemic procedures faster and better than the big box stores, yet the "mom and pop" stores that tried to stay open during the pandemic were forced to close allowing the big box stores to remain open, yes, certain merchants, global merchants were waxed rich. The competition from "mom and pop" were decimated.

POINT 81: Antichrist would be involved in helping global corporations to become wealthier.

But there is a warning to break all connections with antichrist if one desires eternal life: "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities. Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double" (Revelation 18:4-6). God will punish antichrist, but until then, it is our duty to not just read all of this, agree with the conclusion that you actually formulate on your own as we did not reveal by name who antichrist is, and then continue in the pathway of society headed for destruction. We are to cut all ties — beliefs, actions, and support — to going in the direction the world is headed.

Revelation 18:7 is an interesting quote because these words are not John's alone. "How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow." First, instead of helping the poor with all of the accumulated wealth, which would wipe out poverty instantly, she glorifies herself living deliciously. While people live in the torment of poverty, while she has tormented people to conform to her ways, she shall be tormented and be in sorrow herself one day.

POINT 82: Antichrist will appear to care for the poor, but would horde her wealth instead.

Now regarding the sitting as a queen, specifically, not being a widow nor seeing sorrow, this wording comes from Isaiah 47:8, which says, "Therefore hear now this, [thou that art] given to pleasures, that dwellest carelessly, that sayest in thine heart, I [am], and none else beside me; I shall not sit [as] a widow, neither shall I know the loss of children." Isaiah reveals where the potential sorrow would come from - "the loss of children", her harlot daughters (Revelation 17:5). So, she thinks she will gather all of the Christian denominations under her and will see no loss, but the Bible further reveals what reality is. "But these two [things] shall come to thee in a moment in one day, the loss of children, and widowhood: they shall come upon thee in their perfection for the multitude of thy sorceries, [and] for the great abundance of thine enchantments. For thou hast trusted in thy wickedness: thou hast said, None seeth me. Thy wisdom and thy knowledge, it hath perverted thee; and thou hast said in thine heart, I [am], and none else beside me. Therefore shall evil come upon thee; thou shalt not know from whence it riseth: and mischief shall fall upon thee; thou shalt not be able to put it off: and desolation shall come upon thee suddenly, [which] thou shalt not know" (Isaiah 47:9-11). That "moment in one day" is a reference to "sudden destruction" (1 Thessalonians 5:3) as referred to several times now. In fact, Isaiah 47:11 states, "desolation shall come upon thee suddenly". As we see, the scriptures, in this case, Isaiah, Revelation, and even Thessalonians, are all interconnected. The notion that the Bible is just a bunch of human contributions falls short

when such connections are provided. The point here is that antichrist will eventually lose all support, including her harlot daughters. Seeing that this attitude of sitting as a queen and will not see sorrow despite what reality will be, is quite pompous, a point already covered.

Now, not only does Isaiah see reality, John provides other punishing details in Revelation 18:8: "Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong [is] the Lord God who judgeth her." Again, these points have already been addressed. What is new is that we see how long the seven last plagues shall be – one day, prophetically speaking or one year literally speaking. To be "in one day" is to be "in one year". This can be a period of time up to, but not more than, one year. It could be nine months of plagues, or ten, or seven. Nonetheless, it shall not be more than a year.

The next eleven verses are the reactions to antichrist's punishment but also a lesson to be learned. Revelation 18:9-19 states, "And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning, Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come. And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more: The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble, And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men. And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all. The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing, And saying, Alas, alas, that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls! For in

one hour so great riches is come to nought. And every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off, And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What [city is] like unto this great city! And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, Alas, alas, that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness! for in one hour is she made desolate." The lesson is to not to strive to be rich. It is all for "nought". As they say, "You can't take it with you" even if one does not believe in God.

Those verses also contain a confirmation of which merchants are "waxed rich". Notice the use of shippers. Sure, some "mom and pop" stores sell international products and are dependent upon the shippers, but none match the big box stores. Whole boatloads have been destined to one company at a time or just a handful, while "mom and pop" are relying on part of just one of the crates that are unloaded.

Revelation 18:20-21 takes our eyes off of antichrist and places them where it ought to be — May God's will be done. "Rejoice over her, [thou] heaven, and [ye] holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her. And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast [it] into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all."

Though Revelation 18:22-23 continues the punishment, it contains a few more identifying points, and so we break it out here. "And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft [he be], shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee; And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived." Christ being "the bridegroom" (Matthew 9:15) and the church being "the bride" (Revelation 21:2) signals that there has been attempts to bring to the attention of antichrist these prophecies, but obviously they fell on deaf ears.

POINT 83: Antichrist had numerous opportunities to reform but dismissed the messengers away.

The fact that "the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters" are referenced means that antichrist has these as part of their staff. Sure, other kingdoms, such as England, make use of some of these positions, but this must be a nation that uses them abundantly to have God inspire John, not dictate, to point these things out.

POINT 84: Antichrist would make wide use of musicians in the form of singing as well as playing instruments.

POINT 85: Antichrist would make wide use of craftsmen in the form of art and architecture.

And finally, we get to the last identifiable point with the words "for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived" (Revelation 18:23). When one looks at the word "sorceries" in the Greek, the word is "pharmakeai". It does not take long before someone recognizes that words like "pharmacy", "pharmaceutical", "pharmacists", etc. appear to the mind. That is because they are indeed words we have today related to the Greek word. Therefore, antichrist would have a connection, a push, something related to the pharmaceutical industry. This could explain the vaccination push around the world, especially in an aggressive manner. It is one thing to have strong recommendations to get vaccinated, but it is another to force people, in some countries, to be quarantined without government assistance until one complies. It is another thing to force people out of employment, despite showing no signs of infection. It is another thing to require the showing of a vaccination card to be permitted upon modes of transportation, specifically the cruises. It is another thing to force unvaccinated, despite being healthy, to automatically contribute higher premiums for health care. It is another thing to prevent people from entering places of businesses. It basically is another thing when people are told "no man might buy or sell, save he that had the" vaccine (Revelation 13:17), not that the vaccine is the mark of the beast. As previously discussed, the vaccine does not meet all of the requirements to be the mark, but it surely is a close practice to measure conformity.

POINT 86: Antichrist would make wide use of the pharmaceutical industry to further deceive all nations.

And now, we conclude with the reaffirmation of the actives of antichrist that have already been addressed, primarily being her relentless war to wipe off the face of the earth everyone that represents God's truth. Revelation 18:24 "And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth."

Now, does the antichrist you have in mind meet all of these points? If who you think the antichrist happens to be meets only a handful of these points, they are not the antichrist. If, however, you are able to think 'you are picking flaws in these points' regarding the nation that is the antichrist nation but are unable to refute the majority of the points, then there is something wrong with the agenda of trying to pick flaws, for even a nation that fulfills a mere fifty of these points would be astronomical in possibilities. And of course, those that have come to the right conclusion, please do not simply agree and be like the person who "beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was" (James 1:24). Do not just agree and continue in the manner of life you are living. If there is any practice that is in conformity with antichrist and being the opposite expectation towards Jesus Christ, repent, and live as Jesus would have you live.

And upon figuring it out, it does not mean we hate anyone. We do not hate those associated with antichrist. We do as we are told to do: "And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely" (Revelation 22:17). "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues" (Revelation 18:4). This is an invitation to leave, and if they do not, we still do not hate.

For those who are astonished and cannot believe where the finger points and are trying to convince themselves that the false theories are actually the correct theories, do keep in mind that this publication contains more Bible texts than any theory that is out there. Further, every little point was biblically defined by another Bible text and not mere human understanding, just as Isaiah 28:9-10 tells us to do. Therefore, if one is still stuck on a chip, a credit card, a bar-code for the Mark of the Beast, you are purposely following man-made theories and are being deceived. When scripture is used to define the terms by simple comparison and it points to something not so sensational, and people turn from it, they are merely fulfilling another prophecy: "And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness" (2 Thessalonians 2:10-12).

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word. It is not a creation of Hollywood either for they are simply using the term that has been around for a couple millennium. Looking at the word reveals there are two pieces: "anti" and "Christ". Therefore, secular society

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