

THE TIME OF THE END

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Do the end-time prophecies refer to some final version of the Holy Roman Empire ... The Papacy ... the traditional understanding? However, we have put forth an alternative view ... that end-time prophecies relate to an Islamic Empire and perhaps a resurrection of the old Ottoman Empire.

Since 9/11 there have been about 28,000 Jihadist attacks “in the name of Allah”.

Islam looks like a very promising candidate. So ... let's watch and see what transpires.

Remember: Originally, there weren't any chapters and verses in the Bible. Daniel chapters 10, 11 and 12 are one long passage.

Daniel 10:12-14 (NKJV)

12 Then he said to me, **“Do not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard; (God answered immediately)** and I have come because of your words.

13 **But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me twenty-one days; (a spiritual prince or principality)** and behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I had been left alone there with the kings of Persia.

14 **Now I have come to make you understand what will happen to your people (Jews) in the latter days, for the vision refers to many days yet to come.”**

Commentators suggest that Daniel 11:2-35 relate to history. But ... from verse 21 at the latest ... I would suggest we are looking at the

future. Daniel 11 relates to The King of The North and The King of The South.

Daniel 11:5-6 (NKJV)

5 “Also **the king of the South shall become strong**, as well as one of his princes; and he shall gain power over him (**The King of The North**) and have dominion. His dominion shall be a great dominion.

6 **And at the end of some years they shall join forces, for the daughter of the king of the South shall go to the king of the North to make an agreement;** but she shall not retain the power of her authority, and neither he nor his authority shall stand; but she shall be given up, with those who brought her, and with him who begot her, and with him who strengthened her in those times.

Daniel 11:9 (NKJV)

9 “Also **the king of the North shall come to the kingdom of the king of the South, but shall return to his own land.**

Daniel 11:11-15 (NKJV)

11 “**And the king of the South shall be moved with rage, and go out and fight with him, with the king of the North,** who shall muster a great multitude; but the multitude shall be given into the hand of his enemy.

12 When he has taken away the multitude, his heart will be lifted up; and he will cast down tens of thousands, but he will not prevail.

13 **For the king of the North will return and muster a multitude greater than the former, and shall certainly come at the end of some years with a great army and much equipment.**

14 “Now **in those times many shall rise up against the king of the South.** Also, violent men of your people shall exalt themselves in fulfillment of the vision, but they shall fall.

15 **So the king of the North shall come and build a siege mound, and take a fortified city; and the forces of the South shall not**

withstand him. Even his choice troops shall have no strength to resist.

Before Daniel chapter 11 ... we need some background. Alexander The Great died in 323 BC. His Greek empire was split. Ultimately it ended up with 4 or 5 major divisions. Two were of particular importance and occur throughout Daniel chapter 11 and right up to the end time. They are the king of The North and The King of The South.

The King of The North was originally Seleucus. His territory was Syria, Iraq, Iran, Pakistan and part of Turkey in the East (all Islamic countries today).

The King of The South was originally Ptolemy whose territory was Egypt in the main. And Libya and Sudan.

Daniel 11:21-24 (NKJV)

21 And in his place shall arise a vile person, (the end-time antichrist individual) to whom they will not give the honour of royalty; but he shall come in peaceably, and seize the kingdom by intrigue. (Someone who looks good, someone who is politically correct ... he is crafty, devious, deceitful)

22 With the force of a flood they shall be swept away from before him and be broken, and also the prince of the covenant.

23 And after the league (**agreement/treaty**) is made with him he shall act deceitfully, for he shall come up and become strong with a small number of people.

24 **He shall enter peaceably, (Don't be deceived ... he is a vile, despicable person. We have read the description)** even into the richest places of the province; and he shall do what his fathers have not done, nor his forefathers: he shall disperse among them the plunder, spoil, and riches; and he shall devise his plans against the strongholds, but only for a time.

Daniel 11:25 (NKJV)

25 **“He shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the South with a great army.** And the king of the South shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand, for they shall devise plans against him.

Daniel 11:26 (NKJV)

26 Yes, those who eat of the portion of his delicacies shall destroy him; his army shall be swept away, and many shall fall down slain.

Daniel 11:27-30 (NKJV)

27 **Both these kings’ hearts shall be bent on evil, and they shall speak lies at the same table;** but it shall not prosper, for the end will still be at the appointed time.

28 **While returning to his land with great riches, his heart shall be moved against the holy covenant;** so he shall do damage and return to his own land.

29 **“At the appointed time he shall return and go toward the south; but it shall not be like the former or the latter.**

30 **For ships from *Cyprus shall come against him** (**The King of The North**); therefore he shall be grieved, and return in rage against the holy covenant, and do damage.

“So he shall return and show regard for those who forsake the holy covenant.

*Cyprus or Kittim ... see these other translations

NIV ... Ships of the Western Coastlands

CEV ... Ships from the West

GNB ... the Romans shall come in ships and oppose him

Who are these ships from the Mediterranean? Europe.? If this is the case ... then Europe cannot be The King of The North ... as Gerald

Flurry and other COG writers claim. The King of The North is clearly not Europe.

Daniel 11:31 (NKJV)

31 And forces shall be mustered by him, and they shall defile the sanctuary fortress; then **they shall take away the daily sacrifices, and place there the abomination of desolation.** (This is talking about THE ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION. THIS IS FUTURE. “Daily Sacrifice” ... Hebrew ... Tamiyd ... meaning “daily”. Abomination = Shiqqucs. Desolation = Shamem)

Daniel 11:32-35 (NKJV)

32 Those who do wickedly against the covenant he (The King of The North) shall corrupt with flattery; **but the people who know their God shall be strong, and carry out great exploits.**

33 **And those of the people who understand shall instruct many; yet for many days they shall fall by sword and flame, by captivity and plundering.** (The end-time challenge to the saints)

34 **Now when they fall, they shall be aided with a little help;** but many shall join with them by intrigue.

35 And some of those of understanding shall fall, **to refine them, purify them,** and **make them white,** until the time of the end; because it is still for the appointed time.

Daniel 12:1 (NKJV)

1 **“At that time (the time of the King of The North ... the time he has been talking about in chapter 11... the crisis at the end of the age)** Michael shall stand up,

The great prince who stands watch over the sons of your people;

And **there shall be a time of trouble,**

Such as never was since there was a nation,

Even to that time. (This is the one-off time of trouble. Matt 24:15, 21. It hasn't happened yet!!)

And at that time your people shall be delivered,

Every one who is found written in the book.

Daniel 12:2 (NKJV)

2 And **many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake,**
Some to everlasting life,
Some to shame and everlasting contempt. (When is this? The Resurrection of the saints from the dead)

Daniel 12:4 (NKJV)

4 “But you, **Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.**”

Daniel 12:5-7 (NKJV)

5 Then I, Daniel, looked; and **there stood two others, (Angels)** one on this riverbank and the other on that riverbank.

6 And one said to the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, (**another angel**) **“How long shall the fulfillment of these wonders be?”**

7 Then I heard the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever, **that it shall be for a time, times, and half a time; and when the power of the holy people has been completely shattered, all these things shall be finished.** (About three and a half years)

Daniel 12:9-10 (NKJV)

9 And he said, **“Go your way, Daniel, for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end.**

10 **Many shall be purified, made white, and refined,** but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand,

but the wise shall understand. (The Angel is quoting Daniel 11:32-35... which means this is future ... Not historic.)

Daniel 12:8-9 (NKJV)

8 Although I heard, I did not understand. Then I said, “My lord, what shall be the end of these things?”

9 And he said, “**Go your way, Daniel, for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end.**”

Daniel 12:11 (NKJV)

11 “And **from the time that the daily sacrifice (Hebrew: Tamiyd) is taken away, and the abomination (Hebrew: Shiqquts) of desolation (Hebrew: Shamem) is set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred and ninety days.** (He’s quoting Daniel 11:31 ... it's not history. He's applying it to the end-time. So we can see that as far ack as Dan 11:31 ... the passage is yet future, not historic and verse 31 follows unbroken from verse 21 ... hence my suggestion that Dan 11:21 onwards is all future, describing the end-time King of The North/antichrist))

Daniel 9:26-27 (NKJV)

26 “And **after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off,** but not for Himself;

And the people of the prince who is to come

Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary.

The end of it shall be with a flood,

And till the end of the war desolations are determined.

27 **Then he (King of the North ... end-time antichrist) shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; (7 years)**

But in the middle of the week (**half way through the treaty**)

He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering.

And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate,

Even until the consummation, which is determined,

Is poured out on the desolate.”

Daniel 11:36-39 (NKJV)

36 **“Then the king shall do according to his own will: he shall exalt and magnify himself above every god, shall speak blasphemies against the God of gods,** and shall prosper till the wrath has been accomplished; for what has been determined shall be done.

37 He shall regard neither the God of his fathers nor the desire of women, nor regard any god; for he shall exalt himself above them all.

38 But **in their place he shall honour a god of fortresses;** and a god which his fathers did not know he shall honour with gold and silver, with precious stones and pleasant things.

39 **Thus he shall act against the strongest fortresses with a foreign god, which he shall acknowledge, and advance its glory; and he shall cause them to rule over many, and divide the land for gain.**

Daniel 8:23-26 (NKJV)

23 **“And in the latter time of their kingdom,(Iran and the Turkish led coalition)**

When the transgressors have reached their fullness,

A king shall arise,

Having fierce features,

Who understands sinister schemes. (The vile king ... The despicable

king ... same as Daniel 11. “A man understanding dark trickery”

... the end-time King of The North ... antichrist)

24 His power shall be mighty, but not by his own power;

He shall destroy fearfully,

And shall prosper and thrive;

He shall destroy the mighty, and also the holy people.

25 **“Through his cunning**

He shall cause deceit to prosper under his rule;

And he shall exalt himself in his heart.

He shall destroy many in their prosperity.

He shall even rise against the Prince of princes; (Jesus Christ)

But he shall be broken without human means.

26 “And the vision of the evenings and mornings

Which was told is true;

Therefore seal up the vision,

For it refers to many days in the future.”

Daniel 11:40-45 (NKJV)

40 “**At the time of the end the king of the South (Egypt, Libya, Sudan) shall attack him; and the king of the North (Iraq, Iran, Syria, Pakistan and Turkey) shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter the countries, overwhelm them, and pass through.**

41 He shall also enter the Glorious Land, and many countries shall be overthrown; but **these shall escape from his hand: Edom, Moab, and the prominent people of Ammon.** (The area of Jordan)

42 He (**this final King of The North**) shall stretch out his hand against the countries, and the land of Egypt shall not escape.

43 **He shall have power over the treasures of gold and silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt; also the Libyans and Ethiopians (Cushites ... Modern-day Sudan)** shall follow at his heels. (Be his captives)

44 But news from the east and the north shall trouble him; therefore he shall go out with great fury to destroy and annihilate many.

45 And **he shall plant the tents of his palace between the seas (between the Dead Sea and The Mediterranean) and the glorious holy mountain; (Mount Zion)** yet he shall come to his end, and no one will help him.

Daniel 7:19-20 (NKJV)

19 **“Then I wished to know the truth about the fourth beast,
which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful,
with its teeth of iron and its nails of bronze, which devoured,
broke in pieces, and trampled the residue with its feet;**
20 and the ten horns that were on its head, and the other horn
which came up, before which three fell, namely, that horn which had
eyes and a mouth which spoke pompous words, (**The King of The
North**) whose appearance was greater than his fellows.

Daniel 7:21-25 (NKJV)

21 **“I was watching; and the same horn was making war against
the saints, and prevailing against them,
22 until the Ancient of Days came, and a judgment was made in
favour of the saints of the Most High, and the time came for the
saints to possess the kingdom.**

23 “Thus he said:

**‘The fourth beast shall be
A fourth kingdom on earth,
Which shall be different from all other kingdoms,
And shall devour the whole earth,
Trample it and break it in pieces.**

24 **The ten horns are ten kings (10 Islamic nations combining
together)**

**Who shall arise from this kingdom.
And another shall rise after them;
He shall be different from the first ones,
And shall subdue three kings.**

25 **He shall speak pompous words against the Most High,
Shall persecute the saints of the Most High,
And shall intend to change times and law. (SHARIA LAW)**

Then the saints shall be given into his hand
For a time and times and half a time.

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11 (NKJV)

1 **But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you.**

2 **For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night.** (The world will be caught out ... It takes the world by surprise)

3 **For when they say, (those who are not called) "Peace and safety!" then sudden destruction comes upon them, as labor pains upon a pregnant woman. And they shall not escape.**

4 **But you, brethren, are not in darkness, so that this Day should overtake you as a thief.**

5 You are all sons of light and sons of the day. We are not of the night nor of darkness.

6 Therefore let us not sleep, as others do, but **let us watch and be sober. (Be alert!)**

7 For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk are drunk at night.

8 **But let us who are of the day be sober, putting on the breastplate of faith and love, and as a helmet the hope of salvation.**

9 For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,

10 who died for us, that whether we wake or sleep, we should live together with Him.

11 **Therefore comfort each other and edify one another, just as you also are doing.**

We need not be taken by surprise. We have the scriptures. We have the breastplate of faith and love and hope of salvation. We should take comfort in that. We should be almost confident. When the bad times end ... the good times begin. That's good news for us.

Heavenly Father. Thy Kingdom come.

