

IN THE TIME OF HARVEST

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History to be Repeated
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We've been saying that the Present Truth message for the end of the world, that which brings the Latter Rain, that which God's people must have an understanding of and an experience in, is Daniel 11:40-45; and we're saying that there is a way to teach it and a way not to teach it. Paul says that if any man bring any other Gospel—let him be accursed.

So far we haven't gone through these verses, so in this study we will go through point by point and each presentation will build one upon another. By God's grace, when we have finished dealing with Daniel 11:40-45, you will have a good understanding of these verses.

“We are living in the time of the end. The fast-fulfilling signs of the times declare that the coming of Christ is near at hand. The days in which we live are solemn and important. The Spirit of God is gradually but surely being withdrawn from the earth. **Plagues and judgments are already falling upon the despisers of the grace of God. The calamities by land and sea, the unsettled state of society, the alarms of war, are portentous. They forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude.**

“The agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. **Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones.**

“The condition of things in the world shows that troublous times are right upon us. The daily papers are full of indications of a terrible conflict in the near future. Bold robberies are of frequent occurrence.

Strikes are common. Thefts and murders are committed on every hand. Men possessed of demons are taking the lives of men, women, and little children. Men have become infatuated with vice, and every species of evil prevails...

“There are not many, even among educators and statesmen, who comprehend the causes that underlie the present state of society. Those who hold the reins of government are not able to solve the problem of moral corruption, poverty, pauperism, and increasing crime. They are struggling in vain to place business operations on a more secure basis. If men would give more heed to the teaching of God's word, they would find a solution of the problems that perplex them...

“The world is stirred with the spirit of war. **The prophecy of the eleventh chapter of Daniel has nearly reached its complete fulfillment. Soon the scenes of trouble spoken of in the prophecies will take place.**”
{9T 11-14}

Notice that all the things that she mentions as signs of the end we can see transpiring; Bold robberies; Strikes; Thefts and murders; men possessed of demons taking the lives of men, women, and little children; wars; men infatuated with vice; all these things are pointing to events of the greatest magnitude and she ends up by saying that it is the last portions of Daniel 11. “The world is stirred with the spirit of war. The prophecy of the eleventh chapter of Daniel has **nearly reached its complete fulfillment.**”

Now if I have nearly reached something what does that mean? It means I was on my way and I haven't got there yet. So part of Daniel 11 has been fulfilled, we've past part of it—but it is almost completed. So we are going to take these final movements of Daniel 11 and break them up so we can understand them.

There is a part of a statement where she says the agencies of evil would be combining and consolidating their forces. Turn in your Bible to Revelation 13.

We looked in Revelation 13 and 16 and we saw that there is a three-fold power at the end of the world and that is the Dragon, the Beast and the False Prophet. We showed what they were; the Beast power is Catholicism which is a religious power; the False Prophet is the United States of America which is a military power; then we showed that the Dragon power is not only Paganism but at the end of the world it is represented as Egypt in Daniel 11. Egypt in Daniel 11 is taught as having gold and silver and precious things—economics. So these threefold powers are religious, military and economic in nature. In Revelation 13 you see all three in play.

The Agencies of Evil

- Revelation 13:15-17 “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.”

How does a nation cause somebody to do something? With force—right? How do you force someone if you are a nation?—military power—your army.

- 16 “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:”

We know the Mark of the Beast is Sunday exaltation—Sunday Worship; religious movements taking place.

- 17 “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.”

Buying and selling has to do with economic power.

- 1) **Military** – the causing
- 2) **Economic** – can't buy or sell
- 3) **Religious** – the mark of the beast

So when she says that the agencies of evil are combining and consolidating their forces—do you see United States of America and the Roman church coming closer and closer? Do you see United States of America and the United Nations coming closer and closer together? So if United States of America and the United Nations are coming closer and closer and the United States of America and Rome are coming closer and closer—all three are combining. These are the things that usher in the final movements. On that platform is where we are going to build. First I will read this statement from Manuscripts 13, pg. 394:

We have no time to lose. Troublous times are before us. The world is stirred with the spirit of war. Soon the scenes of trouble spoken of in the prophecies will take place. The prophecy in the eleventh of Daniel has nearly reached its complete fulfillment. Much of the history that has taken place in fulfillment of this prophecy will be repeated. In the thirtieth verse a power is spoken of that "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." [Verses 31-36, quoted.]

Scenes similar to those described in these words will take place. We see evidence that Satan is fast obtaining the control of human minds who have not the fear of God before them. Let all read and understand the prophecies of this book, for we are now entering upon the time of trouble spoken of: [Dan. 12:1-4, quoted.] {13MR 394.}

Notice what she does, because she localizes the events that are fast fulfilling. She starts off and she says Daniel 11 has nearly reached its complete fulfillment and much of the history spoken of will be repeated. Then she quotes verses 30-36; after quoting these verses she says that scenes similar to these

will take place; then she quotes Daniel 12:1-4. She packages in certain verses. So I am saying, and I will prove that, that these verses that are going to have all the history repeating in them are verses 40-45.

Now you have to put on your thinking caps tonight because there is a lot to go through and a lot of history we have to cover. We will try to do this in a simple manner and I will show you certain prophetic keys that you need to write down—there are nine of them—nine prophetic keys that will unlock Daniel 11:40-45 with clarity. Turn to Daniel 11:1—remember, she says that history will be repeated. We're going to go through the history and I'll point you to the areas that she is referring to.

- Daniel 11:1 “Also I in the first year of Darius the Mede, even I, stood to confirm and to strengthen him.”

Now this is Gabriel talking.

- 2 “And now will I shew thee the truth. Behold, there shall stand up yet three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than they all: and by his strength through his riches he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia. 3 And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and do according to his will. 4 And when he shall stand up, his kingdom shall be broken, and shall be divided toward the four winds of heaven; and not to his posterity, nor according to his dominion which he ruled: for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for others beside those.”

In verses 1-4 it should be clearly seen the powers that it is referring to. It first mentions Persia. Now we know from our studies of Daniel that after Babylon came Medo-Persia; after Medo-Persia came Greece. Who was the first king of Greece? Alexander the Great was the first. As his kingdom began to prosper he died and his kingdom was divided into four parts.

It says it would be divided to the four winds of heaven; what are the four winds in Bible Prophecy? In Revelation 7 we see these angels holding the four winds of heaven and in Adventism we always recognize that this is north, south, east and west.

When Alexander the Great died, his kingdom was in turmoil—it began to split and he had many generals that began fighting for position but the Bible said that four would win out in the end—these were Cassander, Lysimachus, Seleucus and Ptolemy. These four, one grabbed the Northern kingdom, one grabbed the South and one the East and one the West. These four began fighting with each other for position—they didn't just want the North—they wanted it all! Finally two won out—it was the King of the North and the King of the South, Seleucus' kingdom and Ptolemy's because they overtook Cassander and Lysimachus.

From verse 5 onward it's still the kingdom of Greece but it's talking about the King of the North and the King of the South. How do we know who the King of the North and the King of the South is? In the Bible there's a rule. The geography depends on the situation of Jerusalem—according to where Jerusalem sits designates who's the King of the North and the King of the South.

Turn to Jeremiah 1:13:

- Jeremiah 1:13 “And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying, What seest thou? And I said, I see a seething pot; and the face thereof is toward the north. 14 Then the LORD said unto me, Out of the north an evil shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land. 15 For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD; and they shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls thereof round about, and against all the cities of Judah.”

God in Jeremiah applies this King of the North kingdom against Jerusalem; who is it? Notice Jeremiah 25:9.

- Jeremiah 25:9 “Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them against this land, and against the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations round about, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual desolations.”

The King of the North kingdom is Babylon. Now in Daniel 11, who were the kingdoms that it first mentioned? It first mentioned Persia and Greece. Babylon was off the scene, but when Babylon was taken over by Medo-Persia it engulfed Babylon’s borders and had its kingdom there where Babylon was. The same thing happened when Medo-Persia was engulfed by Greece.

The land didn’t move and in the Bible, whoever controls the areas of Babylon is considered the King of the North. The kingdom of the north is whoever is controlling Babylon. So when it says the King of the North—think of who is controlling the area of Babylon. Babylon’s kingdom is north of Jerusalem and whenever they would attack they would come down from the North.

Now what about the Kingdom of the South? Notice Genesis chapter 12:9. We know that Abram was called out of Ur of the Chaldees, he lived in Babylon. God called Abram out of Babylon, out of the land of the Chaldeans and told him that He would give him his own land.

- Genesis 12:9 “And Abram journeyed, going on still toward the south. 10 And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down into Egypt to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land.”

Now when God called Abram out of Babylon, He took him into the land of Canaan, and when Abram was in Canaan there was a famine. To get away from the famine, God told him to go to Egypt. Abram left Canaan, which is where Jerusalem is and he went south. Abram went from the kingdom of the North in Babylon, south to Canaan and then he journeyed south into Egypt.

In Bible Prophecy, the King of the South is the one who controls Egypt. The King of the North is who controls Babylon. Very simple, so let’s now return to Daniel 11 and go through it. Verses 1-4 took us through the transference of kingdoms from Medo-Persia to Greece; Alexander the Great, the first king, died

and his kingdom was split into four—North, South, East, West—the kingdoms began to collide with one another and the North and the South won out. Now we see this long drawn-out battle between the King of the North and the King of the South—but we are still talking about Greece. From verse 5 to about 15 it's this battle between the King of the North and the King of the South of Greece. We are skipping a lot of history because of time, but turn to verse 14:

- Daniel 11:14 “And in those times there shall many stand up against the king of the south; also the robbers of thy people shall exalt themselves to establish the vision; but they shall fall.

Now the ‘robbers of thy people’; just by the very wording of the verse you can tell it is a new power being introduced. The King of the North comes with armies against the King of the South and then it says, ‘also’ the ‘robbers of thy people’. Who were the ‘robbers of thy people’? Let’s look at it in Bible prophecy in the sequence: Babylon when it falls turns over to Medo-Persia; when Medo-Persia falls it turns over to Greece; when Greece come to its end it turns over to Rome.

I want to submit to you that Rome is the ‘robbers of thy people’ and history tells us just that.

“A new power is now introduced, - "the robbers of thy people;" literally, says Bishop Newton, "the breakers of thy people." Far away on the banks of the Tiber, a kingdom had been nourishing itself with ambitious projects and dark designs. Small and weak at first, it grew with marvelous rapidity in strength and vigor, reaching out cautiously here and there to try its prowess, and test the vigor of its warlike arm, till, conscious of its power, it boldly reared its head among the nations of the earth, and seized with invincible hand the helm of their affairs. Henceforth the name of Rome stands upon the historic page, destined for long ages to control the affairs of the world, and exert a mighty influence among the nations even to the end of time.

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"To establish the vision." The Romans being more prominently than any other people the subject of Daniel's prophecy, their first interference in the affairs of these kingdoms is here referred to as being the establishment, or demonstration, of the truth of the vision which predicted the existence of such a power.

"But they shall fall." Some refer this to those mentioned in the first part of the verse, who should stand up against the king of the south; others, to the robbers of Daniel's people, the Romans.." Daniel & Revelation by Uriah Smith, pg 256-257.

Rome are the ‘robbers of thy people’; Rome comes into the kingdom; Rome is introduced—Pagan Rome. Starting in verse 16 Pagan Rome becomes the King of the North. The crown was passed from Babylon to Medo-Persia; from

Medo-Persia to Greece; Greece splits into the King of the North and the King of the South and then Rome enters in—takes over the areas of Babylon and becomes the King of the North; from verse 16 onward, Rome is the subject of the prophecy. This was an understanding of our pioneers from the beginning.

- 15 “So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the most fenced cities: and the arms of the south shall not withstand, neither his chosen people, neither shall there be any strength to withstand. 16 But he that cometh against him shall do according to his own will, and none shall stand before him: and he shall stand in the glorious land, which by his hand shall be consumed.”

The reason why I am saying that this is now Rome taking the crown of the King of the North is because look at what transpired in verse 15:

- 15 “So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the most fenced cities: and the arms of the south shall not withstand, neither his chosen people, neither shall there be any strength to withstand.

In this verse it is still Greece and he is fighting against the south but in verse 16 it says ‘But he that cometh against him’. The south couldn’t stand before the north—the north is in power—but in verse 16 ‘he that cometh against him’—the north; shall do according to his own will and none shall stand before him. What happened here is that Rome destroyed Greece and took over.

Let’s move forward to verse 24:

- Daniel 11:24 “He shall enter peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: yea, and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.”

Pagan Rome is given a time prophecy for how long it would be in power—it would be in power for a ‘time’. In Bible prophecy a ‘time’ is one year which is 360 prophetic ‘days’ or literal years. Where do we begin this time prophecy? When does Rome seize its power?

“To the latter portion of this verse, Bishop Newton gives the idea of forecasting devices from strongholds, instead of against them. This the Romans did from the strong fortress of their seven-hilled city. “Even for a time;” doubtless a prophetic time, 360 years. From what point are these years to be dated? Probably from the event brought to view in the following verse. Daniel & Revelation by Uriah Smith, Pg 273-276

- 25 And 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 forecast devices against him.

“The verse now before us brings to view a vigorous campaign against the king of the south, Egypt, and the occurrence of a notable battle

between great and mighty armies. Did such events as these transpire in the history of Rome about this time? - They did. This war was the war between Egypt and Rome; and the battle was the battle of Actium. Let us take a brief view of the circumstances that led to this conflict.

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“The battle was fought Sept.2, B.C.31, at the mouth of the gulf of Ambracia, near the city of Actium. The world was the stake for which these stern warriors, Antony and Caesar, now played. . . .

“This battle doubtless marks the commencement of the "time" mentioned in verse 24. And as during this "time" devices were to be forecast from the stronghold, or Rome, we should conclude that at the end of that period western supremacy would cease, or such a change take place in the empire that the city would no longer be considered the seat of government. From B.C.31, a prophetic time, or 360 years, would bring us to A.D.330. And it hence becomes a noteworthy fact that the seat of empire was removed from Rome to Constantinople by Constantine the Great in that very year. (See Encyclopedia Americana, art. Constantinople.)” Daniel & Revelation by Uriah Smith, Pg 273-276

What happened to Rome after this? It disintegrated and split—there was now Eastern and Western Rome. Remember in Daniel 7 the Beast representing Pagan Rome had ten horns on its head? Those ten horns were the divisions of the Roman Empire. It divided in 330 AD. Why is that important? Let’s keep going through Daniel 11.

- Daniel 11:25 And 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 forecast devices against him. 26 Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow: and many shall fall down slain. 27 And both these kings' hearts shall be to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for yet the end shall be at the time appointed.

What was the time appointed? 360 years; the time of the end for Pagan Rome was 360 years and when it was fulfilled it was 330 AD. So verse 27 is now at 330 AD.

- 28 Then shall he return into his land with great riches; and his heart shall be against the holy covenant; and he shall do exploits, and return to his own land. 29 At the time appointed (330 AD) he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter.

We’ve gone through a lot of history and now we are at the place where we are told the history in these next verses will be repeated. If you want to understand the message at the end of the world in verses 40-45, you have to understand the history in verses 30-36.

We now have another transition of power, the crown was passed from Babylon to Medo-Persia; from Medo-Persia to Greece; Greece splits into four and finally into two main powers, the King of the North and the King of the South. They battle it out for years until finally the 'robbers of thy people' Rome destroyed the King of the North and so became the King of the North.

Pagan Rome is now fighting the areas of the South which is Egypt. There is a long drawn-out battle and finally we come to verse 30 and the crown passes again, only now it passes from Pagan to Papal Rome. Papal Rome in verse 30 becomes the King of the North.

- Daniel 11:30 "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.

Strange words but it is clear and we will go through it. I want to make this clear that from verse 30 on the history is repetitive in verses 40-45. Turn to Daniel 8 here we will look at something and apply the principle we call the 'triple application of prophecy'. Remember $1+2=3$?

We saw in Bible Prophecy that there are three Romes; Pagan, Papal, and Modern, after the deadly wound is healed. How is the deadly wound of the Papacy healed? Some teach it was 1929 with Mussolini—it's not; it's an error to teach that way. I'll show you why: notice Pagan Rome in Daniel 8:8. 9.

- Daniel 8:8 "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. 9 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."

The 'He-goat' here was Greece and the 'Notable Horn' was Alexander the Great and when he was broken, four notable ones stood up toward the four winds of heaven. Then in verse 9, 'out of one of them'—out of one of the four winds, came forth a Little Horn—Pagan Rome now—which waxed exceeding great toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

In order for Pagan Rome to come into power it had to destroy three geographical obstacles; the South—Egypt; the East—Syria; and the Pleasant Land, which is Palestine. When Rome overcame three geographical areas it sat at the head of the world as ruler. That's Pagan Rome.

So let's add that history to Papal Rome's history—notice Daniel 7

- Daniel 7:23 "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. 24 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."

This fourth beast in verse 23 is Pagan Rome. In verse 24 we see another horn that would arise up—this was Papal Rome. He would overcome three kings,

or three geographical obstacles. In order for the Papacy to sit on the throne of the world he had to overcome three nations: the Heruli, the Vandals, and the Ostragoths. When these were gone, the Papacy sat on the throne of the world.

So one history, plus the second history, would equal the third. In order for the Papacy's deadly wound to be healed, she has to overcome three geographical obstacles, not two and a church—that breaks the pattern—it has to be three geographical obstacles. These are some of the histories that repeat. Let's jump back into Daniel 11:

- Daniel 11:30 “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.

What are the ships of Chittim?

“The prophetic narrative still has reference to the power which has been the subject of the prophecy from the sixteenth verse; namely, Rome. What were the ships of Chittim that came against this power, and when was this movement made? What country or power is meant by Chittim? . . . the mind is carried by the testimony of Jerome to a definite and celebrated city situated in that land; that is, Carthage.

Was ever a naval warfare with Carthage as a base of operations, waged against the Roman empire? We have but to think of the terrible onslaught of the Vandals upon Rome under the fierce Genseric, to answer readily in the affirmative. . .

That this is the work brought to view is further evident when we consider that we are brought down in the prophecy to this very time. In verse 29, the transfer of empire to Constantinople we understood to be mentioned. Following in due course of time, as the next remarkable revolution, came the irruptions of the barbarians of the North, prominent among which was the Vandal war already mentioned. The years A.D.428-468 mark the career of Genseric.” Daniel & Revelation by Uriah Smith, pg 281.

Who is Genseric? We see reference to these under the Seven Trumpets in Revelation 8 &9. Genseric was the second Trumpet—this is the time period when the first four trumpets in Revelation 8 are bringing down the Western Roman Empire. Western Rome in that first part of verse 30 is done—it is grieved—the hat passes to Papal Rome.

‘For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved’; Pagan Rome is now grieved because of the first four trumpets that brought it to its knees.

‘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.’ The first part of the verse is Pagan Rome, the next part is Papal Rome—Papal Rome is also grieved.

How was it grieved? It was grieved because it could not sit upon the rulership of the world because three obstacles are in its way. These three obstacles needed to be removed so how does it remove them? It has intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.

The Ships of Chittim we see to be the Vandals under Genseric—they come against the Western Roman Empire; then Pagan Rome shall be grieved and return—the returning here is its assumption to power using the powers of Eastern Pagan Rome. Western Rome was grieved by the four trumpets which brought down the Western Roman Empire.

Now Eastern Rome is on the scene and he is returning to assumption of power and the way that he does it is through intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.

Prophetic key number 1: A power would be restrained in its ability to rule the world supremely.

Prophetic key number 2: There is a forsaking of the holy covenant.

"Indignation against the covenant;" that is, the Holy Scriptures, the book of the covenant. A revolution of this nature was accomplished in Rome. The Heruli, Goths, and Vandals, who conquered Rome, embraced the Arian faith, and became enemies of the Catholic Church. It was especially for the purpose of exterminating this heresy that Justinian decreed the pope to be the head of the church and the corrector of heretics. The Bible soon came to be regarded as a dangerous book that should not be read by the common people, but all questions in dispute were to be submitted to the pope. Thus was indignity heaped upon God's word." Daniel & Revelation by Uriah Smith, pg 281, 282.

They forsook the holy covenant. Then the verse says, 'he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.' Who would forsake the holy covenant besides Papal Rome? Remember his grievement was these three powers that were in his way. How did he overcome the Huruli, the Vandals and the Ostragoths? In Daniel 7 there are ten horns on the beast—how many had to be uprooted? Three—which leave seven; these seven also forsook the holy covenant. How did they do it?

The first one was Clovis of France; in the year 496 AD, he gave the Papacy his military might for the punishment of those three Arian powers. Those three Arian powers, although they had error, used the Bible against the Papacy. So in order to come into a relationship with the Papacy who forsook the holy covenant—had indignation against the Bible—these seven European kings did the same thing. France was the first and then down the line until you get to England and King Arthur in 508 AD. The forsaking of the holy covenant was done by the powers that actually gave might and power and military strength to the Church of Rome—the Papacy.

Prophetic key number 3: there was a secret alliance with these divergent powers; these civil powers. The Church of Rome came together with the civil powers—church and state combination.

During this time period when the papacy is being set upon the throne of the earth, the first four trumpets did away with Western Rome, but there were seven trumpets. Four were to bring down Western Rome—Eastern Rome is still standing. We have three trumpets left and the Bible describes them as the first, second and third woe.

During the fifth trumpet there was a battle going on between Eastern Rome and Chosroes of Persia who was really attacking Eastern Rome. Chosroes surrounded Constantinople and they were besieged for about six years. But Chosroes gave up. He said that it had been six years and they hadn't taken the city so he decided to place tribute upon them and instead of his destroying them, they were to pay him a yearly sum. The sum will be a thousand talents of gold, a thousand talents of silver, a thousand silk robes, a thousand horses, and a thousand virgins.

Heraclius of the Eastern Roman Empire accepted the terms and he did it with a plan in mind. While that year was passing when Chosroes was waiting for his tribute, Eastern Rome travelled through the Black Sea and the mountains of Armenia, penetrated into the heart of Persia, and launched an attack. It was buying time until it got vantage ground and then it struck. Keep this in mind because:

Prophetic key number 4: A power seeks for vantage ground in order to strike. All this history in these verses is repeated in Daniel 11:40-45.

- 31 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.

Four things are done in this verse by the arms. What are 'arms'? Weapons and military power is meant by 'arms' so when arms stand up for the King of the North—the Papacy, this is military power standing on their behalf; number one. Number two, it polluted the sanctuary of strength, these arms, these military powers; three, they took away the Daily; and four, these military powers placed the abomination that maketh desolate.

What were these military arms that stood up for the Papacy? It was the same ones that in verse 30 forsook the holy covenant—the seven horns—the seven European Kings that helped remove the three horns.

Prophetic key number 5: Once opposing powers, they now give their support to the Papacy.

The Papacy was the church—these seven horns didn't have anything to do with her until they came and gave her support of military power.

Next these arms pollute the sanctuary of strength. Now in the Bible there are two types of sanctuaries; there is a sanctuary of God and there is a sanctuary of the devil or Paganism. How do we know this is talking about a Pagan sanctuary and not God's sanctuary? We know by Daniel's choice of words, and here is why at times, knowing the Hebrew is a good thing.

There are two words for Sanctuary in the Bible; they are Qodesh and Miqdash. Qodesh is always referring to the holy sanctuary of Jehovah, either earthly or heavenly—it's always employed as representing God's sanctuary.

Daniel knew perfect Hebrew. Now if I understood Hebrew and I was writing a letter and I wanted you to understand that I was referring to God's Sanctuary—I would use Qodesh. But if I wanted to make a differentiation I would choose a different word; Miqdash, which can be either God's or a pagan sanctuary. Qodesh is always God's, but Miqdash could be God's or Pagan.

So if Daniel wanted to make a differentiation he wouldn't use Qodesh, he would use Miqdash. So we know that here it is a Pagan Sanctuary.

So how did these military powers pollute the sanctuary of Paganism, or Rome?

“If it refers to those rulers of the empire who were working in behalf of the papacy against the pagan and all other opposing religions, it would signify the removal of the seat of empire from Rome to Constantinople, which contributed its measure of influence to the downfall of Rome. The passage would then be parallel to Dan.8:11 and Rev.13:2.”
Daniel & Revelation by Uriah Smith, pg 282.

We covered Revelation 13:2 in our last presentation. The Dragon would give the Beast its power, seat and great authority. It gave its seat by moving the capitol of the Empire from Rome to Constantinople and thus polluted the sanctuary of its strength—the city of Rome.

Prophetic key number 6: the polluting of a sanctuary or safe haven of strength.

The last thing here is that these powers would remove the Daily. What is the Daily? Paganism is the Daily. How did Pagan powers remove Paganism? What was transpiring here was they also forsook the holy covenant like Papal Rome did. Not only did they give it their sword, but they became subjugated to Rome and they changed their national religion from Paganism to Catholicism. First was Clovis; France was pagan but became Catholic, then the next one down the line until England and Arthur. They became Catholic; they removed paganism as the national religion—in 508 that was fulfilled.

Prophetic key number 7: the changing of one's national religion.

This brings us up to the end of verse 31, that these military arms would place the Abomination that maketh Desolate. Who is the Abomination that maketh Desolate, or the Abomination of desolation? Pagan Rome came to the aid of Papal Rome, Pagan Rome did all these things for Papal Rome, and now it places the Abomination that maketh Desolate, or the Abomination that maketh Desolate which is Papal Rome. When did this happen? Papal Rome came into power in 538 AD, after it had removed three obstacles.

Prophetic key number 8: the overcoming of three geographical powers in order to place the Papacy on the throne.

The placing of the Abomination took place when the three powers were removed by the agency of the seven European Kings. These military powers

placed the Papal system at the head of the world by removing the Huruli, the Vandals and the Ostragoths.

- 32 “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. 33 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. 34 Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries. 35 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. 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.”

Verse 30 shows a transfer from Pagan to Papal Rome; as soon as it comes into power it begins its movement. What does it do? The Bible says, ‘many shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, many days’. The many days here is the same as when Jesus said, ‘except those days shall be shortened’, referring to the 1,260 years of Papal persecution. As soon as the Papacy comes into power, as soon as the third obstacle is overcome, persecution begins on God’s people.

The ‘many days’ is the 1,260 years, and so when you get to verse 35, and it says ‘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:’ if the 1,260 days start when the Papacy is set on the throne of the earth in 538, when would the ‘time of the end’ be? It would be 1798. Even to the time of the end because it is yet for an appointed time. The appointed time is 1798. When you get to verse 36, ‘they would prosper until the indignation be accomplished’, that means until 1798. It’s referring you to the end of the time prophecy of 1,260 years.

Prophetic key number 9: Once the Papacy conquers the third obstacle, it begins to persecute God’s people.

Sister White told us the verses 30-36 contain history that will be repeated. It is difficult to go through all the histories but we need to understand those points, those nine Prophetic Keys. These are the histories that will repeat, and it unlocks for us with clarity Daniel 11:40-45.

The reason why we can know that the Glorious Land is not the church is because of these keys and the history that repeats.

Now in closing lets look at verses 37 to 40:

- Daniel 11:37 “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. (This is Papal Rome) 38 But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: (or fortresses) and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things. 39 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.”

These verses have a big reference to Marion worship or Mary worship; Marionism. The god that his fathers knew not; is the god or goddess of fortresses, this Pagan mother/child goddess that the Papacy brought in as Mary. So this is just a further explanation of Papal Power. But Sister White says that verses 30-36 is what repeats.

- 40 “And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him:”

Here we see this ‘time of the end’ which refers to the end of this time prophecy that applies to the Papacy, the 1,260 days, which ended in 1798. Any time you see a time prophecy in the book of Daniel, when it comes to its end, it says it will be the ‘time of the end’, the ‘time appointed’ or ‘the end’. There were no time prophecies given from verses 31 onward, except the 1,260 days. Therefore we know that the end of that time period is 1798.

In closing, notice this statement:

The influence of Rome in the countries that once acknowledged her dominion is still far from being destroyed. And prophecy foretells a restoration of her power. "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 infliction of the deadly wound points to the downfall of the papacy in 1798. After this, says the prophet, "his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast." Paul states plainly that the "man of sin" will continue until the Second Advent. 2 Thessalonians 2:3-8. To the very close of time he will carry forward the work of deception. And the revelator declares, also referring to the papacy: "All that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life." Revelation 13:8. In both the Old and the New World, the papacy will receive homage in the honor paid to the Sunday institution, that rests solely upon the authority of the Roman Church. {GC 578.3}

And let it be remembered, it is the boast of Rome that she never changes. The principles of Gregory VII and Innocent III are still the principles of the Roman Catholic Church. And had she but the power, she would put them in practice with as much vigor now as in past centuries. Protestants little know what they are doing when they propose to accept the aid of Rome in the work of Sunday exaltation. While they are bent upon the accomplishment of their purpose, Rome is aiming to re-establish her power, to recover her lost supremacy. Let the principle once be established in the United States that the church may employ or control the power of the state; that religious observances may be enforced by secular laws; in short, that the authority of church and state is to dominate the conscience, and the triumph of Rome in this country is assured. {GC 581.1}

That is rapidly progressing in the United States!

God's word has given warning of the impending danger; let this be unheeded, and the Protestant world will learn what the purposes of Rome really are, only when it is too late to escape the snare. She is silently growing into power. Her doctrines are exerting their influence in legislative halls, in the churches, and in the hearts of men. She is piling up her lofty and massive structures in the secret recesses of which her former persecutions will be repeated. Stealthily and unsuspectedly she is strengthening her forces to further her own ends when the time shall come for her to strike. All that she desires is vantage ground, and this is already being given her. We shall soon see and shall feel what the purpose of the Roman element is. Whoever shall believe and obey the word of God will thereby incur reproach and persecution. {GC 581.2}

The things that Sister White said would repeat are well underway—almost completed! When it completes—you and me, our probation is done. Brethren, we need to really wise up and understand that Rome desires vantage ground and it was given her years ago. She's waiting to strike, but what's holding her back is the mercy of God because you and I don't have the experience that we need yet. This is why God has given us this message to wise us up, to shake us awake and to give us an experience.