

The Last Days: 2. The Powers and Players

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[0:00] These lessons that we're going through, I can't portray or overemphasize the importance of what it is that we're learning about.

And I know for most people, these topics that we are talking about are deep and maybe hard to understand and hard to follow. And I would just say that we have to start somewhere.

We have to start somewhere. And so we might as well jump in the water and learn to swim. I mean, you might not get 100% of everything that we talk about, but if you just get even a little bit, I know it'll help.

And when you read over it again in the future, I know that God will continue to open your spiritual eyes and ears to what it is that the Word's speaking to us.

It's so important that we understand what's going to happen in the last days. One-third of your Bible is prophetic, and it's there for a reason. God wants us to know what is going to happen, what's coming.

[1:03] I mean, not everything is revealed, not every detail, but there's enough in there. God, in His wisdom, gives us enough that when those days come, when these last days come, if we understand His Word, if we've read His Word and we've tried to apply it, and we've been good stewards of His Word, and we've studied His Word to show ourselves approved, as the Bible says, then I know that His Word is what's going to keep us through these last days.

Because, you know, I was thinking today how most of Christianity, most of even apostolic circles and Pentecost, and even with all my preacher friends, and most of them don't understand or know the stuff that I'm teaching here.

And what's going to happen, it reminded me of a fight in the 1990s between Mike Tyson, which was like the champion of the world, undefeated, the nastiest man on earth, okay, against Buster Douglas.

I don't know if anyone knows about this fight, who was an underdog at the time. And Mike Tyson didn't take the fight seriously, and he was basically, I think it was like in Japan or somewhere, and he was just out, it was documented that he was just out partying all the time instead of training, and not really taking it seriously and underestimating his opponent.

And it didn't take very long in the ring, it just took, as soon as the bell rang, and Buster Douglas gave him one good punch in the face. Mike Tyson was so shocked about what just happened to him that he never was able to recover that entire fight, and he ended up with his face on the floor, and just a handful of rounds later.

[2:50] And I don't want that to be us when the end times come. I don't want us to be underestimating what's going to happen at the end. I don't want us to be underprepared about our knowledge and understanding of God's word and what's going to come, to when those punches start coming, that we don't get the first punch in the face, and we're out for the count, because we've underestimated what's going to happen.

Amen. That scares me. It scares me about our church, not just our church here at DOJC, but the body of Christ in general. Because I'm going to be honest with you, it's hard to find preaching like this.

It's hard to find teaching like this. You can look far and wide, and it's few in between. There's not a lot of this out there.

And so it's a shame, really. And so I thank God that he's given me the green light to do this leading into the new year. And I think it's a timely word for us.

Amen. So today's topic is the last days, the end times according to the word of God. And it's lesson two, and it's the powers and players. The powers and players.

[3:59] Okay. So here's what we're going to be diving into today. We're going to be talking about the dragon. We're going to reveal who the dragon is. We're going to reveal who the first beast is, the second beast, which is also known as the false prophet.

We're going to talk about and learn about the Antichrist spirit and system that's already at work in the world today. We're going to talk about the man of sin, the little horn. He's also called the king of the north.

We're going to talk about Nebuchadnezzar's dream and image in the book of Daniel. And we're going to talk about the great whore. We're going to identify who the great whore of the Bible is. We're going to talk about mystery Babylon being judged. We're going to reveal what that is. And we're also going to talk about and finish today with the Millennium Kingdom of Christ. We're just going to break into that just a little bit, and we'll learn about all that more in other lessons. But today, I want to reveal to us the powers, the major powers and players that are at hand in these end times. Okay. The first is the dragon.

[5:05] The dragon is the mastermind behind the Antichrist system. He gives power. He gives throne and authority to the beast. Wars against Israel and the Jews.

Wars against the disciples of Jesus Christ, the true church of God. And the dragon deceives the whole world through false religion and future miracles and the mark of the beast.

In Revelation 12 and 9, John writing in a vision says, And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent called the devil, And Satan, which deceiveth the whole world.

He was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him. Okay. So, for your notes, for Revelation chapter 12, verse 9, The dragon is the serpent of the garden.

He's the devil. He's also called Satan. Okay. It's all the same one. Okay. But in Revelation, he's called the dragon. In the middle of Daniel's 70th week, at the three and a half year mark, following a war in heaven, The devil and his angels are going to be cast out of heaven for the last time.

[6:13] And they're going to be cast out to the earth. So, if you read Revelation 12, 7 and 8, you'll see that this is following a war in heaven. There's a war in heaven that begins in the middle of Daniel's 70th week.

Everybody remember Daniel's 70th week? It's the 70th week. It's the seven years. It's the week of years. The last seven years that is still to come.

And in the middle, we've been hearing about this three and a half year mark, right? And that's when the great tribulation starts. And that's going to happen. The great tribulation is going to happen at the three and a half year mark, because it's in the middle of the week when the devil and his angels are cast out of heaven to the earth for the last time.

And when he comes, he's going to be coming with a vengeance. The Bible says because he knows he has a short time remaining. And it's going to be the worst three and a half years the earth has ever experienced. And the focus is going to be on Israel and the church.

Okay? Now, Revelation chapter 20, verse 2 through 3. And he laid hold on the dragon. In the context, this is an angel of the Lord. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the devil and Satan, and bound him a thousand years and cast him into the bottomless pit and shut him up and set a seal upon him that he should deceive the nations no more till the thousand years should be fulfilled.

[7:43] And after that, he must be loosed a little season. Okay? So, Revelation chapter 20, verse 2 through 3 in your notes. This is talking, again, after the great tribulation.

So, he's going to get cast out of heaven with his angels at around the three and a half year mark in the middle of the week. And then, within the three and a half years, by the end of the 70th week of Daniel's prophecy, the end of those seven years, after the great tribulation, an angel is going to throw Satan into a bottomless pit for a thousand years.

Okay? And after a thousand years, Satan will be released for a short time. Okay? So, the key things we want to remember here is the thousand year number, because we'll be talking about that later. Everyone doing all right? We're talking about the dragon. Revelation 20 and 7 and 10. Revelation 20, 7 through 10. Verse 9.

And they went up on the breadth of the earth, encompassed the camp of the saints about in the beloved city, which is Jerusalem, where Jesus will be reigning from.

[9:08] And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them. Verse 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 forever and ever.

Okay? So for our notes for the dragon, Revelation chapter 20, verse 7 through 10, after a thousand years, Satan will be loosed for a final test and all of God's enemies will be finally destroyed. And then Satan is going to be cast into the lake of fire for eternity where the false prophet and the beast already are. This is at the very end. This is after the millennial reign, which we'll be talking about later.

This is after the thousand years of Jesus's reign on earth. He'll be reigning from Jerusalem. We'll be kings and priests working with him throughout the world. There's going to be one last rebellion. It's on purpose. God's going to release Satan one last time.

And then that's going to be it for them. Amen. Thank God for that. All right. Now let's look at the first beast. The first beast is we're going to talk about it. It's found in Revelation chapter 13.

[10:18] And there are two beasts found in Revelation chapter 13. And there's a lot of symbols in these prophecies of future powers and players. And there's several connections to prophecy from Daniel as well.

So we'll talk about that. The first beast is often called the beast of the sea. And it's found in Revelation chapter 13, verse 1 through 10. Let's begin in Revelation chapter 13, verse 1.

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.

Okay. So in your notes, out of the sea means masses of people, usually from Rome. Okay. So in those days, most of the people that Israel and the people of God in the known world would be trading with come from land, you know, from other places around them through the land.

But when the Romans had come and conquered them, they came from the sea because they came from Italy, right? They came from Rome. And so they were the people of the sea. Now, this isn't 100%, you know, for sure, but whenever you see the coming in like a flood or with a great flood or a great sea or multitude, it's usually talking about a multitude of people.

[11:36] Okay. So out of the sea used to refer to masses of people and sometimes from Rome. And then the second note that you should make is really highlighting the seven heads and ten horns with each horn has a crown.

Okay. This is talking about, and we'll learn more here before we're done, about the end-time world government. It's going to have ten rulers, ten kings. That's what the horns are.

And this is still in the context of the last three and a half years. In the last three and a half years, in Daniel's 70th week, at some point in the midst of the week, there's going to be a world government that rises up.

It's going to have seven heads and ten horns, the horns with crowns representing the rulers. Okay. And they're going to share the same name and purpose. And it's going to be blasphemous. It's going to be anti-God.

Okay. It's going to be persecution from that world government that's led by ten people, ten leaders, ten different nations.

[12:36] It's going to be against God. Verse 2. It's amazing how much you can get out of one verse. And verse 2. We know who that is, right?

Gave him his power and his seat and great authority. Okay. That's Revelation chapter 2. I'm sorry. 13 verse 2. And here's your notes. Okay. This beast that John saw had a body of a leopard, the feet of a bear, the mouth of a lion.

And the devil gives the beast power over the end time world government. Okay. When we're talking about this beast, we're talking about a person. We're talking about a person. So we have the seven-headed, ten-horned beast that is the world government.

But there's going to be a leader of this world, one specific leader of this world government that is considered, I guess, the political face, the PR guy, whatever he is. He is going to have power over the end time government.

Verse 3. Revelation 13 and 3. 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.

[13:54] And they worshipped the dragon. We know who the dragon is, the devil. 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?

Verse 5. 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.

This is against the people in the name of Jesus. And his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. The tabernacle refers, going to refer to Israelites, and them that dwell in heaven.

All the martyrs before. Okay. And so your notes from Revelation 3, I'm sorry, 13, 3 through 6. The beast will experience a life-saving miracle.

It says that he's going to be wounded in his head. And he's going to recover. A deadly wound to the head, but he recovers. So he's going to come back from life. Or something is going to happen. And the whole world is going to see it.

[14:57] He's going to be wounded in the head. That's where you get all those. See, people don't understand the word of God. And they see something happening in the news. And we get a lot of types and shadows things that come up, you know, with different things in the world and history.

And we think it's, you know, the Antichrist. And, you know, everyone was saying Trump's the Antichrist because he got shot in the ear and he lived. And it was on national TV and all this, you know, stuff.

But when people start saying stuff like that, they have no idea what they're talking about. They haven't studied the word of God. And so we need to know what the word of God says. And that's what we're doing. But he's going to have great power for 42 months.

How long is 42 months? Three and a half years. So this is during the last three and a half years, the Great Tribulation. So during the Great Tribulation, the beast is going to have great power. Verse 7. So John's saying you need to get your spiritual ears on to understand this.

[16:10] What's going to happen is the beast will be focused on fighting Israel and the true church in those last three and a half years. He's going to have great power. He's going to be focused on us.

And he will have power over all the nations of the world. So something's going to happen in which it's not just those 10 kingdoms. It's not just those 10 nations, but following that incident where he's brought back to life or some miracle happens in front of live TV or whatever, the world's going to look towards him and say, who can be like this?

We have to. This is this is must be a God. And then the the centers of the world will be supporting him. OK, there's more about there's more. I'm just introducing you to these powers and players and we're going to come across them in other scriptures and lessons in the future.

But you're getting an introduction today. OK, so that's the first beast. The second beast is also known as and more. I passed these points in scripture in Revelation chapter 13 is not referred to as a beast.

The beast, whenever the beast is mentioned, it's referring to the first beast. Anything else in scriptures, the second beast that that John sees and describes in chapter 13 is the false prophet, the false prophet.

[17:27] OK, the second beast. We're going to talk about that found in Revelation chapter 13. It's found in Revelation chapter 13, 11 through 18. Let's begin in verse 11.

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. OK, so he's going to look like a lamb, but he's going to talk like a devil.

OK, so he's dual natured. He's going to look like one thing, but he's really something else. OK, he's going to be a religious figure, a lamb. Lamb refers to like, you know, they sacrifice lambs or sacrificial lambs.

Lambs have Jesus is the lamb of God. You know, his sacrifice he did on the cross, all these things. This is going to be a type of antichrist. It's part of antichrist system. It's a figure that is going to look like something holy, but it's actually evil, evil like the dragon.

Verse 13. I'm sorry, verse 12. And he exercises all the power of the first beast before him. So this false prophet is going to be able to exercise all the power of the first beast before him.

[18:34] And causes 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.

Verse 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, 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.

So he's going to work alongside the beast. He's going to cause people to worship the beast because of the miracle that happened. He's going to be doing miracles, signs, and wonders. And he's going to be deceiving the world to follow him. And not necessarily just to follow him, but he points to the beast, saying follow the beast. And he will have the world make an image of the beast. Worship the beast. Verse 15. And he had power to give life unto the image. So this false prophet has power to give life unto the image. So he has the world make an image of the beast. [19 : 40] And then he has power to make that image come to life. 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.

In your notes, there is the image of the beast. The image of the beast is going to come to life. The image is going to speak. And the image is going to kill those that don't worship the image of the beast.

I don't know about you, but I don't see how that could be possible if I was reading this 5, 10 years ago. But with AI and everything like that, it's how is an image going to come to life and deceive old. And I saw a news article a couple weeks ago that the military has developed, already has these planes that are 100% drones.

Nobody flies them. They look just like an F-22 Raptor. And nobody flies them from a control room. They're not unmanned drones. They're literally controlled by AI.

[20 : 37] AI, there's a military AI, and it controls the drones. And targets are entered to the system, and it takes off, goes, and shoots the target and comes back.

Travel thousands of miles at supersonic speeds and all this. So I don't know how it could happen, but I believe the word of God is true. And if it says it's going to happen, it's going to happen. It might not make sense. It's like, how can that be? But something's going to happen that when we look back, after it's happened, we can say, or while it's happening, we can say, yes, this is being fulfilled. Right now, it's kind of hard to imagine that the false prophet is going to have the people of the world create an image of the beast.

And then he's going to cause the image to come alive and speak and then demand that it be worshipped. And if you don't worship it, it's going to kill you. But that's what the word of God says is going to happen in those last three and a half years.

Let's look at verse 16. And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor. We're talking about the false prophet, the second beast. 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.

[21 : 47] Verse 17. And that no man might buy or sell, save that he had the mark and the name of the beast or the number of his name. Verse 18. Here is wisdom.

Let him that have understanding count the number of the beast. For it is the number of man. And his number is six hundred, three score and six. Which is six, six, six.

Six hundred and sixty six. So we don't, obviously we don't know what that means yet. But when it happens, we will, we will, if we have, if we have a love for truth, if we're faithful to God and we haven't been deceived, then we will know exactly what that is.

It'll make sense at that time. So we don't have to fear that. Okay. If we don't know these scriptures, we might be deceived. But we do. And we will know these scriptures. Amen. So that's the second beast, the false prophet.

Now we're going to go to the Antichrist spirit and system that is already at work. It's already at work. A lot of people say the Antichrist and say it is a person or this thing.

[22 : 47] It's not the Antichrist. It's a system. It's a spirit. We're going to look at that. Okay. First John 2 and 18. First John 2 and 18 says, little children, it is the last time.

And as you have heard that Antichrist shall come. It didn't say the Antichrist. It says Antichrist shall come. Even now are there many Antichrists whereby we know that it is the last time.

This is John speaking 2,000 years ago. Okay. So the Antichrist spirit was already around for centuries. The Antichrist spirit has already been around for centuries.

And there are many Antichrists. First John chapter 4 verse 3. First John chapter 4 verse 3. And every spirit that confesses, not that Jesus Christ has come from in the flesh, is not of God.

And this is that spirit of Antichrist. So here's your definition of what Antichrist is. It's a spirit and it teaches, if you don't believe, that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh.

[23 : 49] If you don't believe that God has come in the flesh, that's the spirit of the Antichrist. It's anti-oneness. Okay. Any teaching or doctrine that teaches you that Jesus was not God in the flesh is the Antichrist spirit.

It's Antichrist. Okay. That's your definition. Every spirit that confesses, not that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh, is not of God. And this is that spirit of Antichrist. Wherefore, ye have heard that it should come, and even now already is in the world.

Ever since Jesus came to the earth, was crucified, buried, rose again, ever since the birth of the church, the Antichrist spirit has been at work. Okay.

The rejection of oneness is Antichrist. Not believing that God was manifested in the flesh, that when you saw Jesus, you saw the image of God.

Then that is Antichrist. Okay. We're going to go to the man of sin. We're talking about the powers and the players of the end times, the last days. The man of sin, also called the little horn.

[24 : 55] Okay. The man of sin and the little horn is a key figure in the end times. He's mentioned by the prophets Daniel, Micah, in the Old Testament. And he's also mentioned by Jesus.

He's mentioned by Paul and John in the New Testament. So let's look at Jesus speaking about this in Matthew 24, 15. This is Jesus speaking. We read it last week.

When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, whoso readeth, let him understand. Okay. Remember I said we're going to learn about this.

We will come to an understanding of this. I said that last week and we're doing that now. Okay. Your notes are this person was spoken by Daniel. So we're going to find them in Daniel. We're going to look for them.

And then this person will stand in the third temple because remember there's no, they have their city back. They have their nation back in 1948. They got their city fully back in 1967, but there's still no temple.

[25 : 53] Okay. And this is, this is obviously Jesus speaking of the end times saying that he's going to be standing in the holy, in the holy place, which always refers to the temple mount and the temple.

Okay. This person will stand in the third temple that's yet to be built. So we're waiting for this to happen still. And this person is going to bring the abomination of desolation. So what was Jesus referencing?

What all did Daniel say about the man of sin and the little horn? Daniel chapter nine, verse 27. We, we read last week and he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week.

Speaking of the, the prince of the people that shall come. So we're, we're talking about the prince of Rome because it was Rome that destroyed the second temple and scattered the Israelites, took a lot, most of them back as slaves.

Okay. So the, the prince of the one of the people that shall come. We've learned about that last week in the midst of the week, in the middle of that, that seventieth week, he shall cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease.

[26 : 53] And for the overspreading of abominations, he shall make it desolate even until the consummation that is determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

So remember the whole purpose of the 70, the 70 weeks that Daniel, the 70 weeks of years that Daniel prophesied was to bring an end to Israel's sin, to finish up the transgressions of Israel and to bring about the end of the world and to set up a kingdom of righteousness that's going to last forever, which is going to be the millennial kingdom.

So that's the whole purpose of it all. So in that course of that, somebody is going to, this man of sin is going to stand in the third temple after it's built and he's going to cause an abomination. So we learned about that last week.

Let's go to Daniel seven and eight. And I don't have, we don't need to make notes for that because we made notes on Daniel nine and 27 last week, Daniel seven and eight, Daniel chapter seven, verse eight.

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

[28:02] Okay. So this is crazy y'all because Daniel's in 500 some BC talking about something that's going to happen that hasn't even happened yet.

Okay. And we're in 2025 AD. And then also we already read about the horns, right? And the 10 horns, the seven heads and the 10 horns.

Daniel's prophesying the same thing. Okay. So regarding the seven head, 10 horn, and time government, remember the 10 horns represented 10 leaders of nations. This man is called the little horn.

Okay. So you got these 10 horns that are ruling things like the Bible says, and this 11th, he calls it a little horn, rises up and he's going to rise up and he's going to defeat three others, three of those other 10 of the 10 horns.

So those 10 nations, they're represented by 10 nation leaders that have crowns of authority that the dragon's given them. So the devil's going to give 10 nations, 10 leaders of 10 nations authority in the end times to be like the European Union or some sort of United Nation type thing or whatever it is, right?

[29:08] Well, it's still to come. We still are waiting for that. We won't know who it is yet because in another place in scripture, it says that they're giving power in one hour. So that means like it's just going to come suddenly.

And one hour's time, these 10 nations are all of a sudden going to get all this power, these 10 leaders from these 10 nations. Okay. Most speculate that's going to be some sort of European thing going on.

And then this little horn rises up and actually defeats three of them. Okay. Everybody following so far? Verse 20. And the 10 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.

So it's a human whose look was more stout than his fellows. That's interesting words. Verse 21.

And I beheld and the same horn made war with the saints and prevailed against them.

Verse 22. 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.

[30:15] So it's going to go on until the millennium. So here's your notes from Daniel 70, I'm sorry, 7, 20 to 22. He's going to look different than the other leaders. He's diverse from the others.

He also will make war with Israel and the church just like the others are. And he's going to prevail over Israel and the Christians until Jesus returns. You know, sometimes I struggle with these scriptures.

I don't like reading them. And having an understanding of them. I don't like it when I read that. You know, upon this rock, I'm going to build my church and the gates of hell is not going to prevail against it.

But then I read scriptures like this where it's given unto these demonic, diabolical leaders to make war with us. And the Bible says, and they are going to prevail until Jesus comes.

To help myself understand, I guess, and God needs to help me with this still, is that even if you kill me, you can't win. Because I'm going to go, I'm going to just, I'm going to be in the first resurrection and I'm going to get to see Jesus.

[31:17] So they can't take away our salvation. No matter what they do to our flesh, to our body, to our life, they can't take away our salvation if we have salvation. Amen? And that's what's important to remember about this.

It's not really about us, our physical bodies, the life that we have right now on the earth. It's temporary. We're not of this earth, right? When we're reborn, born again, then we have salvation and hope.

Amen. Verse 25, and he shall speak great words against the Most High. This is that little horn that manifests in. Verse 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.

That's important to remember. And to think to change times and laws and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time, time and times and the dividing of times.

So he's going to war with the saints of God. He's going to want to change the times and the laws and he's going to be given the power to do it. And for how long? The Bible says time, times and dividing of time.

[32:27] So a time is, biblically, a time is one year. Times is two years. And dividing of time is half a year. So how many years? Three and a half years.

This is another last three and a half years prophecy. Time, times and dividing of time. You read that, what does that even mean? But it doesn't take a lot of studying to figure it out.

And when you start to figure out all these things for two months, the midst of the week, time, times and dividing of time. We see that this is all connected together in the last days, the last three and a half year of Daniel's 70th week.

Okay. The prophet Micah prophesied that out of Bethlehem would come the Messiah and then started to speak of the great tribulation in the last three and a half years, those last 42 months.

Okay. And Micah 5 and 5 says, and this man shall be the peace. Okay. That's speaking of Jesus. I said peace. It says peace. And this man shall be the peace.

[33:24] Okay. Speaking of Jesus. When the Syrian shall come into our land and when he shall tread in our palaces. Okay. And I'm jumping in the middle of context when I give you these verses and spend weeks going over just one of these topics.

Okay. But the previous verses in Malachi is talking about the Messiah. It's talking about Jesus. And this man shall be the peace. This Messiah shall be the peace when the Syrian shall come into our land and when he shall tread in our palaces.

Verse six. Thus shall he deliver us from the Syrian. So the Messiah is going to deliver us from the Syrian. This is speaking of the Israelites. They're going to be delivered from that Syrian.

When he cometh into our land and when he treadeth within our borders. Okay. So that little horn is going to be an Assyrian. Now we know why he looks different than the others. He's diverse from the others.

He's an Assyrian. He's going to be a Muslim. He's going to be Islam. But Jesus will save Israel right before he completely destroys them. Okay. So we're going to learn also later that he's the king in another week that he's the king of the north.

[34:31] So he's the man of sin. He's referred to as the little horn that rises up. He's also the king of the north. If you go straight north from Israel on the map, you're going to find Turkey. There's references between when it talks about Assyrian.

It's going to be it's different today. The borders are different today than it was in this time. But it's going to come from Syria or or Turkey in that area. So and then remember, he's going to defeat three of the other world leaders, right?

Those 10. And right now, if you see what's going on, I don't know if you guys pay attention in the news about what's going on in Europe right now. But you got the Muslims overtaking England, overtaking France and Germany right now doing big protests.

And it's coming in by the hundreds of thousands, illegal immigration. And they're they're taking offices. They're getting voted in as mayors and governors and things like that. And there's a big ruckus going on over there caused by the Muslim and those three nations.

A little note saying that that's those are going to be the three. But you see this kind of happening already where these Muslims are coming into European countries and causing issues.

[35:37] We see just here in America, this last election, the mayor of New York was elected. He's a he's a Muslim. He's part of he has backing from the Muslim Brotherhood.

He's a far left. He's a socialist communist. OK, second Thessalonians chapter two, verses three and four. Let no man deceive you by any means for that day shall not come except there come a falling away first and that that man of sin be revealed.

The son of perdition who opposes and exaltes himself above all that is called God or that is worshipped so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

OK, so the context here is Paul's second Thessalonians is talking about the return of Jesus for his church. The rapture is not going to happen. Jesus isn't coming back for us, for his church until after there's a great falling away.

A lot of people are going to walk away from truth. A lot of people, when times get tough, they're they're going to walk away from this. They don't want any part of it. But in the last days, there's going to be a great falling away.

[36:46] OK, our numbers are going to be diminished and the man of sin is going to sit in the third temple claiming to be God. And that is an abomination. Second Thessalonians 2, 8 through 10.

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. Even him whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders and with all deceivableness and unrighteousness in them that perish because they receive not the love of truth that they might be saved.

OK, verse 10 again, and with all deceivableness and of unrighteousness and them that perish because they receive not the love of truth. God's going to destroy the false prophet and the beast and those that believe their lies because they didn't have a love for truth.

Now, you know, I wanted to open with that song today. I love the truth. We need to pray that God will give us a love for this truth. We have to have this truth in our hearts. Amen. We need to have the word planted in our hearts and our minds.

It needs to be what we consume on a daily basis. We shouldn't be deceived. We don't want to be deceived. We want what the word says. And we don't want to have a love for unrighteousness.

[38:03] We don't want to have a love for the world. We don't want to have love for pleasures and of sin and things. All the things that the Bible says is going to happen the last time, they're going to be lovers of pleasure more than lovers of God.

And that's not going to be me. I mean, my mind is made up that I'm going to love the word of God. I'm going to be at church. I'm going to do everything I can in these last days to serve God with all my might. Amen.

Okay. Moving on. Nebuchadnezzar's dream and image. Okay. Verse. Let me let me just set this up. Okay. So Babylon was that dominant world power at the time of Daniel's prophecies.

And Nebuchadnezzar was the second king of Babylon and known as the greatest king of Babylon. And in his second year as king, the Bible says that God gave Nebuchadnezzar a dream.

Nebuchadnezzar called in all of his wise men and told them that he had a dream and he wanted the interpretation of the dream. And all those sorcerers and wizards and wise men in his kingdom, they asked him to describe the dream to them.

[39:03] And he told them that he had forgotten the dream. So imagine being called in by the, by this king and he tells you to interpret the dream I had the other day.

And they're like, okay, well, uh, tell us the dream. He's like, I forgot what the dream was. And Nebuchadnezzar threatened to cut them into pieces and destroy their households. He said, I'm going to cut you into pieces and I'm going to make your houses dung hills.

That's what the Bible says. He threatened them if he would, if they would not tell him what the dream was and what the meaning was. And so they say, there's nobody in the world that can do that. And so Nebuchadnezzar was mad.

And so he makes an order. He sends out an order to kill all the wise men in Babylon. Okay. And so the king's guard are out gathering up all the wise men, which included Daniel. And when Daniel found out about it, he, he wanted an audience with Nebuchadnezzar.

And so he gets that. And ultimately Daniel saved all of those supposedly wise men's lives by being able to tell Nebuchadnezzar what, what he dreamed and what the meaning was.

[40:02] And before he did, I don't know. Have you ever heard the, the story of, um, boys that were thrown in the fire? What were their names? Meshach, Shadrach, and Abednego. Those aren't the real, real names.

It, the real names are described in this Daniel chapter two. And you can, they got those names. Those, those are the names that other people call them, but their Hebrew names are described here. And he went, actually, those were part of his company.

He went, Daniel went to those and said, we need to have a prayer meeting. And those three guys and Daniel had a prayer meeting. And then finally God gave him the answers. And then he went and talked to Nebuchadnezzar.

Okay. And Daniel chapter two, verse 27. And you can read all that in Daniel chapter two. I'm, I'm summarizing for time. Daniel chapter two, verse 27, 28. Daniel answered in the presence of the King and said, the secret which the King hath demanded cannot the wise men and astrologers and magicians and soothsayers show unto the King.

But there is a God in heaven that revealeth secrets and maketh known to the King Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. So this dream is about the latter days.

[41:07] Thy dream and the visions of thy head upon thy bed are these. Okay. And Daniel reveals to him what the dream was and gives him the interpretation and the meaning of the dream.

Okay. And for your notes, only a man of God can receive an interpretation for a dream or a vision that's given by God. The astrologers aren't going to be able to tell you, you're not going to be able to read the stars or your horoscope and tell you what's going to happen.

You're not going to go to a panda and open a fortune cookie and that's going to reveal the next step of your life. It's not going to happen. Okay. If God gives you a vision or a dream and, and here's another thing that's going to mess up your theology is that God can dream to a center.

He did it to Pharaoh and Joseph interpret his dream. He did it to Nebuchadnezzar. These are evil men of world powers that are, don't believe in God.

And he gives these world leaders, these, these people dreams. And then he sets up for his kingdom's purpose. Amen. Okay. So, and God, the other thing is God is willing and does reveal secrets to us of the end time.

[42:12] Okay. So, so in summary, Nebuchadnezzar's dream was, I'm just going to summarize this for the sake of time. His dream was the image of a statue and it represents five successive world empires, a gold head, a silver chest and arms, breast, belly, and thighs, iron legs, and feet of iron and clay.

And then Daniel described the stone cut out with hand, cut without hands that will hit the statue at his feet and smash the entire statue into pieces.

And then that stone will grow into a great mountain that fills the whole earth. And that's the dream that, that Nebuchadnezzar saw. He saw, he saw this image with a gold head, silver breast and arms, brass thighs and stomach, iron legs and iron and clay mixed feet.

And then all of a sudden this stone was hewn out of a mountain without hands comes and smashes it at its feet and crushes it and destroys it, hits its feet.

Okay. And Daniel prophesied all those global powers that would be in place from his time forward until God sets up his kingdom on earth. That's what it's talking about. So here in your work pages, I have Nebuchadnezzar's image or what people believe it may look like, but it's broken down to, I give you scriptures so you can go back and read because Daniel goes through it in detail.

[43:31] And then also he shows the exact predictions of, of what succeeding power will be. He predicted the Persian empire would take over the Babylonians.

He predicted Greece is going to take over the Persians after that. These are all happening hundreds of years later from the time he prophesied them. And it came to pass, just like he said, and it's confirmed.

Okay. And then, um, the legs of iron. Okay. It's the great Roman empire. And, um, that's found in Daniel chapter two, verse 40.

And those are ruled, were ruled by the Caesars. Okay. And that ended, uh, the fourth century. And for your notes for this chart, the feet and toes, part ironing, part clay.

Okay. The Holy Roman empire. So the, so notice the feet is not separate from the legs. The feet is not separate from the legs. It's all iron. But as it gets towards the end and the feet there, it starts to be mingled with clay.

[44:29] Okay. So the Roman empire, which succeeded the, the Grecian empire becomes the Holy Roman empire. So it's a mix of church and state. You can read about it in revelation 17, which we will, and it's ruled by the popes and they've been in power from 395 AD until now.

Let me give you some stats on the Roman Catholic church. Now, keyword, if you never stopped to think about it as Roman. Okay. This is still the Roman. This is the, what's is the Roman empire today.

The Roman Catholic church. Okay. Has 1.4 billion followers. 17% of the world, almost a quarter of the world. It's present in 195 nations.

And the thing here is that it's diplomacy. It has ties with 183 nations, meaning that it, it makes rules and laws and has strong influences on 183 of those nations.

Total land, just what they say that the landmass that they own is the size of Texas. The wealth's over \$3 trillion a year. They have 220,000 or more schools throughout the world, educating children.

[45:34] They have 5,500 hospitals or more. That makes up about 25% of the world's health system. They have 410,000 priests.

They have \$8 billion in cash in the bank. And it's estimated that they've killed 50 million, more than 50 million people that have rejected the Trinity throughout time.

And of those, about 5 to 10 million were oneness, Pentecostals, apostolics, all the inquisitions. This is a church that kills people. Okay. So that's what is the Roman Catholic Church today and is the Roman Empire.

That still is the mix of iron and clay. It's the iron of the Roman, the iron from the Roman Empire mixed with clay of which speaks of religious, the miry clay.

All right. Let's go through some notes. First, I want to identify to you the great whore. Okay. We're going to identify who the great whore of the Bible is. It's found in Revelation chapter 17.

[46 : 32] Speaks of the great whore riding on a scarlet beast. Okay. Revelation chapter 17. And we're going to do a speed run through this. Okay. You can go back and really compare notes. And I've given you scripture here on the screen.

It says, verse 1, Come hither and I will show thee unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters. Okay. Many waters. 1.4 billion Catholics in every nation.

I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet colored beast. A woman is a false church. We're the bride. Okay. A woman referred to as a church. The beast is that what we talked about.

And it's a political power. It's the Antichrist system. All that. Globalism. Okay. The Roman Catholic Church is going to be working with the end time government.

Verse 4, The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet and decked with gold, having a golden cup full of abominations. Okay. The cardinals and bishops were purple and scarlet.

[47 : 33] Every mass, they have golden chalices. If you think of a golden chalice, a golden cup was a religious system. The first thing you're going to think of is the Roman Catholic Church.

Abominations. They teach Trinity.

They worship Mary. They reject that there's going to be a resurrection and rapture of the church. They reject that, even though it's plainly spoken in scripture. So they actually take verses of the Bible and say, no, that's not true.

Upon her forehead, verse 5, Upon her forehead, mystery Babylon, the great, the mother of harlots. Okay. Mother, again, it's a holy. They call themselves a holy mother church.

Harlot. This is because in the 395 AD, the 4th and early 5th century is when the Trinity doctrine became a thing.

It was over 300, almost 400 years after the Book of Acts church that the Trinity came into power. And as the Caesars were going out of power, the Holy Roman Empire was rising and the bishops and the cardinals.

[48 : 36] And then they started with their popes. And they went back and said, Peter was our first pope, you know, and all this stuff. And so, and out of that, all the, so they're the, they're the birth of the Trinity doctrine.

And you have all these churches of Christian churches that don't proclaim to be Catholic, but they teach that Trinity doctrine. So they're, they're the, the mother, they're, they're the, the mother of harlots because it's teaching false teachings, false doctrine against God's word.

Okay. The woman drunken with the blood of the saints. Okay. The inquisitions crusades killed millions of people, including the true apostolic oneness believers. Verse nine, the seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sitteth.

It tells you in scripture that this church sits in a city that has seven hills or mountains. Verse 16, the 10 horns. Okay.

We know what those, that's that end time world government, that the false prophets actually going to be helping. The 10 horns shall hate the whore and shall make her desolate and naked and burn her with fire.

[49 : 42] Okay. Well, there's a lot more scripture that we'll learn about in future lessons that I'll show you that Rome is going to be destroyed. Verse 18, the woman is that great city, which reigneth over things of the earth.

The Vatican has diplomatic power and over 183 nations. So we're identifying the great horrors mentioned in Revelation chapter 17. Revelation chapter 18 speaks of mystery Babylon, mystery Babylon.

And it talks about how mystery Babylon is going to be judged. Okay. For context here, verse four. Okay. The woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet and decked with gold, having a golden cup full of abominations.

Your Roman Catholic bishops and cardinals, all dressed in purple and red, your golden chalice that's used in all of their masses. Okay. And verse nine said, the seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sitteth.

Here's the seven hills of Rome where the Vatican sits on seven hills. Hmm. The Bible's pretty clear. Mystery Babylon judge. Okay. Verse, uh, this is chapter 18, verse two.

[50 : 46] Babylon the great is fallen and has become the habitation of devils. Okay. Fallen means in biblical terms is apostate. It means, uh, had truth rejected, uh, walked away from apostate from truth.

The Trinity doctrine is a devil's doctrine. The kings of the earth have committed fornication with her. In verse three, the Roman Catholic church has concordettes and treaties with nations.

A concordette is more than just a contract or an agreement is they have control over the school systems. The government puts them in charge and their country over the school systems, the health systems, like branches and parts of the government.

These, these, the Roman Catholic church has, uh, leaders in every nation. There's people in almost every nation across the world and our white house today and our white house today.

There is, there are several Catholics and there always is our vice president is Catholic. There's Catholics in Congress. There's Catholics in parliament and in England Catholic, the, the, and there's, there's actually extreme sex of SECTS sex of, of, uh, Catholic Catholicism.

[51 : 55] There's the Jesuits and all these. And, um, they are actually extremists. Okay. Verse four, come out of her, my people that you, uh, you be not partakers of her sins.

So our message should be, you know, if we have, we have so many family and friends that we know, everybody knows a Catholic or someone that goes to a Trinitarian church. I believe in the, our, in these last days before the great falling away, there's going to be a revival too.

We were promised the revival. I believe it's been happening for over a hundred years and we're in the middle of it or getting towards the end of it. But now's the time that we can help convert by showing truth to our friends and family.

Verse seven, she saith, I sit a queen and I am no widow. The Roman Catholic church claims to be the one true church. Verse eight, her plagues, death, mourning, famine, burned with fire.

Okay. And verse eight talks about the future destruction by those 10 Kings, the 10 horns. And verse 23, by thy sorceries were all the nations deceived. And I, I had put in there for you, the sorceries equals that word that's used in the Greek is, is a farm, farmia, which is where we get our word pharmaceuticals.

[53 : 07] And, um, it's amazing how involved the Roman Catholic churches with big pharma, big pharma, meaning the big drug companies of the world. Okay. So between, you should see their participation with, with the COVID vaccine, all this other stuff.

And I had so much other stuff. They were complacent with Nazi, with, uh, Hitler. Um, and it's just, it goes on and on and on. There's so much stuff. Okay. So mystery Babylon is going to be judged.

So that great heart, the great harlot mystery Babylon is going to be judged in the end. Okay. Now I want to get to the last part, the last closing with the millennium kingdom of Christ. Revelation chapter 20, verse one through six.

And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand and he laid hold on the dragon and that old serpent, which is the devil and Satan and bound him a thousand years and cast him into the bottomless pit and shut him up and set a seal on him that he should deceive the nations no more until the thousand years to be fulfilled.

And after that, he must be loosed for a little season. Verse four. And I saw thrones and they set upon them and judgment was given unto them. And I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus and for the word of God and which had not worshiped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads or in their hands.

[54 : 32] And they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead live not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

Verse six. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection. On such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God, of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years. Okay. And so the notes for those scriptures, this is speaking of the end when the resurrection and rapture of the church happens. The disciples of Jesus Christ that are killed by the beast will reign with Christ for a thousand years as kings and priests.

And those that did not, that died without Jesus will not be resurrected until after the thousand years reign of Jesus. Okay. There's going to be two resurrections at the end of the three and a half years of great tribulation.

When Jesus comes, the Messiah comes to save Israel and the church and puts an end to all what's going on. What's going on? He's going to set up. He's going to cast the end that moment.

[55 : 38] He's going to cast. Jesus himself is going to cast the false prophet and the beast into the lake of fire. Okay. Which is separate than the bottomless pit.

And the devil we know is going to be bound up and put into the bottomless pit. This is a bottomless pit. That means there's a pit with no bottom. He's going to be, there's a sense of falling. Okay.

For a thousand years, he's going to be in a bottomless pit sealed up. And then Jesus is going to set up his kingdom on earth. And those that are resurrected, because the Bible says that those that are, had passed before are going to raise, be raised first.

And those that are alive and remain are going to be gathered together to meet him in the air. So at his return at the end, we are going to, those that are alive and remain are going to be raptured.

Those that are already in the grave are going to be resurrected.

That's the first resurrection. It's only for the righteous. It's only for those that died with the Holy Ghost inside of them. Okay. If you don't have the Holy Ghost when you die, you're not going to be part of that resurrection.

[56 : 42] The Bible says that same, if you, if when you die, you have that same spirit that raised Christ inside of you, then you too will be raised. That's what the Bible says. Amen. We have to have the Holy Ghost. We have to be saved.

That's why in John chapter three, Jesus said, talking to Nicodemus, he said, you must be born again. Again, otherwise you're not going to even see the kingdom of God. And then he said, how can I be born again?

He's like, I'm telling you the truth. If you're not born again, you're not going to enter into the kingdom of God. If you're not born again of the water and of the spirit. Okay. That's what John told Nicodemus that you wouldn't even see the kingdom of God.

And it's 100% true because if you die without the Holy Ghost, if you die without, have been baptized in the water in Jesus name and received the baptism of the Holy Ghost, baptized in the spirit.

If you have not been born again of the water and spirit, you're not even get to see the kingdom of God. That thousand year reign is, you're not going to get resurrected for that. You're not going to get raptured for that. That you're not going to be a part of that.

[57 : 41] But after the thousand year reign is when your resurrection would come. And it's only to put you in a lake of fire, to judge you and put you in a lake of fire, along with the false prophet and the beast.

And then that's after the thousand years. So that's after Satan's been loosed. One more time to tempt those, because if you somehow make it through the great tribulation unsaved, you're going to have an opportunity somehow.

I have to think it's not explicitly said, but if I'm going to be a king and a priest, priest in God's kingdom, then I have to have someone to rule in a sense. It says we're going to be, we're going to have thrones and we're going to be judges.

We're going to be judging. We're going to be in God's government and we're going to be priests. So if I'm a, if I'm a priest, I have to think that I'm probably doing what I'm doing now, teaching people that survived the great tribulation without dying the truth of God.

Amen. And so at the end of that thousand year reign, there's going to be one last and final test. You have a thousand years of God, Jesus ruling the earth without Satan, without all the false prophet and the beast and all that.

[58 : 51] And you have a thousand years of that, of leading us back towards perfection, like the garden of Eden where it once was. And still there's going to be some that reject God.

Isn't that sad? When that devil's loose for a short time, the Bible says that little season, they're going to rise up to fight God. And in that moment, God's going to devour them with, with fire and cast them in the devil into the lake of fire.

And that's going to be the end of that. And then there's going to be a new heaven and a new earth. Amen. Amen. Amen.