

November 19, 2023

Daniel 8: This takes place two years after the vision in Daniel 7. Daniel is currently in Babylon, and the vision takes him to Susa, Persia.

What does this vision represent:

• The ram: MedoPersia

• The male goat: Greece

• The big horn: Alexander the Great

• The little horn from the big horn: Antiochus Epiphanes IV

• The horn yet to come: the Antichrist

Types of Antichrist:

Alexander and Antiochus are types of the Antichrist yet to come.

1 John 2:18-27: Shows us that the spirit of antichrist has existed throughout the ages through evil men and women.

Today: It's a spiritual battle

Ephesians 6:12 - For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places.

What we've learned thus far (Daniel 2,7, and 8)

These kingdoms/empires have already risen / fallen:

- Babylon
- Medo/Persia
- Greece
- Rome

This is yet to come:

- A new Roman kingdom
- A world in chaos: wars, economic failure, diseases, lack of love
- Psalm 83 war?
- Ezekiel 38 war?
- Rapture of the church?
- From this new kingdom, a man will step on the stage with answers: the Antichrist
- Three and one-half years of peace around the world (especially with Israel)
- A 3rd Temple rebuilt
- The Antichrist declares himself to be God the "abomination of desolation" Jesus (Matthew 24:15-16) and Paul talked about (2 Thessalonians 2:4)
- Rapture of the church?
- All hell breaks loose (Revelation 6-19 The Great Tribulation/ God's indignation)
- Romans 11:26: All Israel will be saved
- 2nd Coming of Jesus to the Mt. of Olives
- The Millennial kingdom: Jesus rules from the 3rd Temple

Application:

- 1. Give your life to Jesus
- 2. Prepare your heart
- 3. Share with others
- 4. Go about the king's business
- 5. Care for those around you