

## The World That Welcomes the Antichrist

Daniel 11:13-21

Daniel: God's Sovereign Rule Over the Nations, part 36

- We must learn the lessons from history or we are \_\_\_\_\_.
- We are moving NOW toward the \_\_\_\_\_ that the world will ever see.
- This passage is of miraculous practical importance for it reveals the characteristics that existed in the Greek empire during the days before Antiochus Epiphanes, the great type of the antichrist. Every parallel exists in the present world today that is getting ready to welcome the coming Antichrist.
- Let's consider four traits in the Greek Empire that led to welcoming the tyrant Antiochus Epiphanes; similar traits are evident today that will usher in the Antichrist:

1. \_\_\_\_\_, v.13-16

- A. Revolution is in the Air: The compromised Israelites, " \_\_\_\_\_," saw a political "savior" in Antiochus the "Not-So-Great" (King of the North, who ruled 222-187 BC).
- B. **The Battle of Panias in 200 BC**, (v.15) breaks Egypt's 100 year rule over Palestine & gives Antiochus power in Palestine (v.16).

2. \_\_\_\_\_, v.17

- A. Antiochus uses his daughter \_\_\_\_\_ (204-176 BC) to fulfill his selfish ambition to rule the world.
- B. 10 year old Cleopatra is given to the young king of Egypt (16 years old) and Antiochus hopes he can control Egypt through his daughter, but his abusive plan fails.

3. \_\_\_\_\_, v.18-19

- A. The power-hungriness of Antiochus was driven by a passion to be as " \_\_\_\_\_" as Alexander the Great.
- B. Rome routs Antiochus in the **Battle of Magnesia** (190 BC), & was forced out of Greece and Asia Minor, stopping the advance of Syrian power westward.
- C. So he stumbled and fell and was not found. Little is known of Antiochus after his return from Greece. He probably died one year later, not so great!

4. \_\_\_\_\_, v.20

- A. Syria was forced by Rome to pay taxes for war damages.
- B. Syrian King, Seleucus IV Philopator & son of Antiochus the Great (187-175) forced burdensome taxation on the people and plundered temples to raise money.
- C. He was assassinated, perhaps poisoned by his chief tax collector Heliodorus.

This now opens the door for the notorious Antiochus IV Epiphanes to come to power, the awful type of antichrist.

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