

Unity of the Scripture's Teaching on Antichrist

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Similar Characteristics	Little Horn of Daniel	Man of Sin in 2 Thessalonians 2	The Beast of Revelation
1. Same source, or origin	Little horn (7:8) comes from the 4 th beast	Comes after removal of Roman Empire ('restrainer' in 2:7, 8)	Rule of Antichrist is last phase of beast from the sea (13:1)
2. Time of their origin	Among the divided successors of Roman Empire	Revealed after the restraining power has been removed	Beast receives power/ great authority from the dragon marching through pagan Rome
3. End is the same	Destroyed at the appearance of the Son of man coming on the clouds to establish dominion – 7:13	Slain at the epiphany of the Lord Jesus, and by the breath of His mouth – 2:8	Beast along with false prophet is cast alive into lake of fire at the advent of the King of kings – 19:11-16, 20
4. Exercises religio-political power	Daniel emphasizes the political side, but also the religious– 8:24	Takes over the rule from Roman powers and sits as God in the temple	Beast wears the crown and demands and receives worship
5. Show blasphemous presumption	Speaks great things against the Most High – 8:20, 25	Exalts himself as God – 2:4	Has a mouth speaking great things and blasphemy – 13:5
6. Time of their domination is 3 1/2 years	Exercises himself for a 'time and times and half a time' – 8:25	No time specifically mentioned	Power given 'forty two months' – 13:5
7. Wage war on God's people	7:21, 25; 8:24	2:4 – part of his opposing all that is called God	13:7
8. Great power ascribed to him	7:20 – 'whose look was more stout than his fellows'	2:9 – 'with all power and signs and lying wonders'	13:4 – 'who is able to war with him?'
9. Divine homage demanded	7:21, 25 – changing the time and the law of God	2:4 – setting himself forth as God	13:12 – all the earth made to worship him