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Demonism (part 58: Build-up of the king of the north – Revived Roman Empire-2

Ten ways Satan is effectively paving the way for the Antichrist

- #1, Globalism, One-World Order.**
- #2, Occultism.**
- #3, Apostasy.**
- #4, Worldwide Web.**
- #5, Animosity towards Israel.**
- #6, Buildup of the kings of the east, Asian power.**
- #7, Buildup of the king of the north, Russian power.**
- #8, Buildup of Europe (the European Common Market), the Revived Roman Empire.**
- #9, Preparation of the Jews to accept the False Prophet.**
- #10, Destruction of the United States as we presently know it.**

#8, Buildup of Europe—the Revived Roman Empire-2

Daniel tells us that the coming Revived Roman Empire (RRE) will be a world empire unlike anything the world has even seen:

Daniel 7:23 "Thus he said: 'The fourth beast will be a fourth kingdom on the earth, which will be different from all the other kingdoms, and it will devour the whole earth and tread it down and crush it.'

After the ruler of the RRE conquers the ten nation confederacy, he will impose a peace treaty on Israel for seven years.

Daniel 9:27 "And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of

abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate."

However, he will break this covenant after 3 ½ years and will become a persecutor of Israel. This period of time is called the Great Tribulation, a time of unparalleled trouble.

Daniel 7:25 'And he will speak out against the Most High and wear down the saints of the Highest One, and he will intend to make alterations in times and in law; and they will be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time (= last 3 ½ years of the tribulation).

Daniel 12:1 "Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued.

Matthew 24:21 for then there will be a great tribulation, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever shall.

Revelation 7:14 And I said to him, "My lord, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones who come out of the great tribulation, and they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

When this ruler, the Antichrist, becomes ruler over the entire world, his rule will be Lucifer's attempt to imitate the worldwide millennial reign of Christ. The first 3 ½ years of the tribulation will be a relatively peaceful time: Israel will be in her land in peace and safety.

Ezekiel 38:8 "After many days you will be summoned; in the latter years you will come into the land that is restored from the sword, whose inhabitants have been gathered from many nations to the mountains of Israel which had been a continual waste; but its people were brought out from the nations, and they are living securely, all of them.

Ezekiel 38:14 "Therefore, prophesy, son of man, and say to Gog, "Thus says the Lord God, "On that day when My people Israel are living securely, will you not know it?"

Scripture provides us with several characteristics of the Antichrist. As absolute ruler he will do as he pleases acting like God (sounds like the philosophy of many of our leaders). He will oppose the true God and exalt himself, even setting himself up in God's temple, proclaiming to be God. He will have great success in his policies that disregard the God of his fathers (we see this today on an unprecedented scale with present administration) until the end of the Great Tribulation.

Daniel 11:36 "Then the king will do as he pleases, and he will exalt and magnify himself above every god, and will speak monstrous things against the God of gods; and he will prosper until the indignation is finished, for that which is decreed will be done.

2 Thessalonians 2:4 who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God.

Daniel 11:37 "And he will show no regard for the God of his fathers or for the desire of women, nor will he show regard for any other God; for he will magnify himself above them all.

The word for "God" in the above passage is *Elohim* (translated "gods" in the NASB, Dan. 11:37). This is a general word for God, and not 'Ehyeh or Yahweh, the God of Israel. This suggests that this world ruler will be a Gentile. The only god he will recognize is the "god of fortress" that is financed by great material wealth.

Daniel 11:38 "But instead he will honor a god of fortresses, a god whom his fathers did not know; he will honor him with gold, silver, costly stones, and treasures.

Daniel provides several details on the war that will take place during the last part of the Great Tribulation leading up to the second coming of Christ:

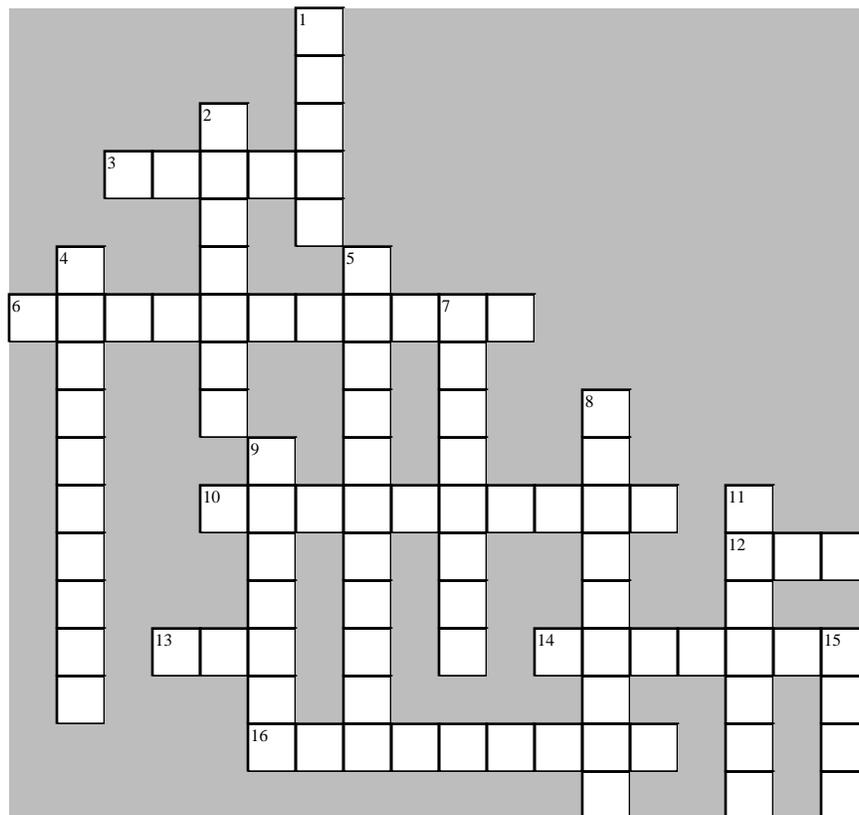
Daniel 11:40 "And at the end time the king of the South will collide with him, and the king of the North will storm against him with chariots, with horsemen, and with many ships; and he will enter countries, overflow them, and pass through. 41 "He will also enter the Beautiful Land, and many countries will fall; but these will be rescued out of his hand: Edom, Moab and the foremost of the sons of Ammon. 42 "Then he will stretch out his hand against other countries, and the land of Egypt will not escape. 43 "But he will gain control over the hidden treasures of gold and silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt; and Libyans and Ethiopians will follow at his heels. 44 "But rumors from the East and from the North will disturb him, and he will go forth with great wrath to destroy and annihilate many. 45 "And he will pitch the tents of his royal pavilion between the seas and the beautiful Holy Mountain; yet he will come to his end, and no one will help him.

Antichrist's kingdom will begin with a world government in place, but will end with the judgments of God being poured out on him as a blasphemer. Various armies of the world will be dissatisfied with Antichrist's hegemony and will gather in Israel to fight it out for power. Reports of this army approaching from the east and the north will alarm him, and he will seek to destroy them. He will pitch "the tents of his royal pavilion" in Israel, but in the end he will be defeated by Jesus Christ at the Second Advent.

In 'Ehyeh,

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