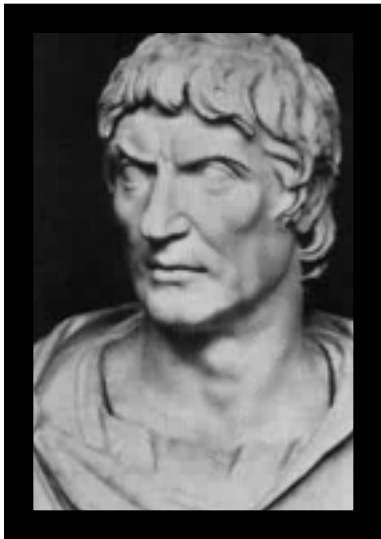


We have studied the ten toes or the ten kings/kingdoms at the Time Of The End and... we know that there will be a false prophet and the antichrist who will lead these 10 nations during this time in the near future. So, who is the antichrist?



Some people have said that the predictions in Daniel 8:23-24 relating to the antichrist that in the latter part of the Grecian Empire a king arose that destroyed the holy empire was fulfilled in Antiochus Epiphanes.

*Antiochus IV Epiphanes 215 BC – 164 BC) was a Hellenistic Greek king of the Seleucid Empire from 175 BC until his death in 164 BC. He was a son of King Antiochus III the Great.*

*Notable events during the reign of Antiochus IV include his near-conquest of Egypt, his persecution of the Jews of Judea and Samaria, and the rebellion of the Jewish Maccabees.*

**Daniel 8:23-24 KJV**

*23 And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.*

*24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.*

**Daniel 8:23-24 NKJV**

*23 “And in the latter time of their kingdom, When the transgressors have reached their fullness, A king shall arise, Having fierce features, Who understands sinister schemes.*

*24 His power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; He shall destroy fearfully, And shall prosper and thrive; He shall destroy the mighty, and also the holy people.*

**Daniel 8:23-24 NLT**

*23 “At the end of their rule, when their sin is at its height, a fierce king, a master of intrigue, will rise to power.*

*24 He will become very strong, but not by his own power. He will cause a shocking amount of destruction and succeed in everything he does. He will destroy powerful leaders and devastate the holy people.*

The reason I'm sharing this with you is, I want you to understand what the Bible is talking about and what people believe. Some people believe that the scriptures relating to the antichrist was fulfilled with Antiochus Epiphanes who took over Jerusalem for about 42 months.

In addition, he harassed the Jewish people and did everything that he could to stop the Jewish people from worshipping God and obeying God's Word.

As a result of this, people say that he is the antichrist. Antiochus Epiphanes is not the antichrist but he is a picture of the antichrist. We know that because of God's Word in the book of Revelation (chapter 19:19-20) and the book of Daniel (chapter 2:45). The messiah comes back, the stone that was cut out of the mountain in Daniel and in Revelation, He binds satan and destroys the antichrist. He takes the antichrist and the false prophet and throws them into hell.

**Daniel 2:45 KJV**

*45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.*

**Daniel 2:45 AMP**

*45 Just as you saw that the Stone was cut out of the mountain without hands and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold, the great God has made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter. The dream is certain and the interpretation of it is sure.*

**Revelation 19:19-20 KJV**

*19 And I saw the beast (anti-christ), and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.*

*20 And the beast (anti-christ) was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.*

**Revelation 19:19-20 AMP**

*19 Then I saw the beast (anti-christ) and the rulers and leaders of the earth with their troops mustered to go into battle and make war against Him Who is mounted on the horse and against His troops.*

*20 And the beast (anti-christ) was seized and overpowered, and with him the false prophet who in his presence had worked wonders and performed miracles by which he led astray those who had accepted or permitted to be placed upon them the stamp (mark) of the beast and those who paid homage and gave divine honors to his statue. Both of them were hurled alive into the fiery lake that burns and blazes with brimstone.*

So, if Antiochus Epiphanes was the antichrist, Jesus never showed up because Jesus had yet to show up the first time. How could Jesus come and destroy Antiochus Epiphanes if he had not come to earth? He was still in heaven with God and yet to be born of a virgin. This story takes place 165 years before His birth when Antiochus Epiphanes was in power.

## What Antiochus Epiphanes did...

- o he exchanged temple priests for Greek priests
- o he forbid the Jews to offer sacrifices
- o he offered a pig on the brass altar
- o he stopped the Jews from celebrating the sabbath
- o he stopped the Jews from circumcising their sons
- o he stopped the Jews from celebrating the feasts
- o he built altars and shrines to Zeus
- o he forced the Jews into hiding out of fear

Here are the parallels of what Antiochus Epiphanes did and the future antichrist...

## Parallels Of Antiochus Epiphanes & the Antichrist

**He will invade and take over the Temple Mount.**

### **Revelation 11:1-2 KJV**

*11 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.<sup>2</sup> But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.*

**Revelation 11:1-2 AMP**

*1 A reed [as a measuring rod] was then given to me, [shaped] like a staff, and I was told: Rise up and measure the sanctuary of God and the altar [of incense], and [number] those who worship there.*

*2 But leave out of your measuring the court outside the sanctuary of God; omit that, for it is given over to the Gentiles (the nations), and they will trample the holy city underfoot for 42 months (three and one-half years).*

**He will stop Jewish control of the Temple and set himself up as a god.**

**2 Thessalonians 2:4 KJV**

*4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.*

**2 Thessalonians 2:4 AMP**

*4 Who opposes and exalts himself so proudly and insolently against and over all that is called God or that is worshiped, [even to his actually] taking his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming that he himself is God.*

Antiochus Epiphanes even put a pig on the altar to desecrate the altar of God at the temple in Jerusalem.

**He will be worshipped and build an image that will speak and live.**

**Revelation 13:15 KJV**

*15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, 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.*

**Revelation 13:15 AMP**

*15 And he is permitted [also] to impart the breath of life into the beast's image, so that the statue of the beast could actually talk and cause to be put to death those who would not bow down and worship the image of the beast.*

**He will behead those who do not follow him.**

**Revelation 20:4 KJV**

*4 And I saw thrones, and they sat 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 worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.*

**Revelation 20:4 AMP**

*4 Then I saw thrones, and sitting on them were those to whom authority to act as judges and to pass sentence was entrusted. Also I saw the souls of those who had been slain with axes [beheaded] for their witnessing to Jesus and [for preaching and*

*testifying] for the Word of God, and who had refused to pay homage to the beast or his statue and had not accepted his mark or permitted it to be stamped on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived again and ruled with Christ (the Messiah) a thousand years.*



Once again, Antiochus Epiphanes is not the antichrist but is a picture of the antichrist just like Adolf Hitler was not the antichrist but was a preview of what was going to happen.

Now, lets talk about beliefs about the antichrist, because when we talk about the 10 kings, we have to talk about who they are going to submit their kingdom to - the antichrist.

## **Beliefs About The Antichrist**

### **1. He is an evil idea and not a literal person.**

The Bible always uses a pronoun every time it speaks of the antichrist. He is not just an evil principle or idea.

### **2. He is a person but someone from the past.**



For instance, Titus or Nero from the past. Remember, in Revelation (19:19-20), Jesus returns during the time of the antichrist. He binds him & throws him into the Lake of Fire.

**Revelation 19:19-20 KJV**

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*20 And the beast was seized and overpowered, and with him the false prophet who in his presence had worked wonders and performed miracles by which he led astray those who had accepted or permitted to be placed upon them the stamp (mark) of the beast and those who paid homage and gave divine honors to his statue. Both of them were hurled alive into the fiery lake that burns and blazes with brimstone.*

Any of these previous men that you read about in history, Jesus did not return at any time to do that. That is going to happen in the future. So, the antichrist is not someone from the past.

### **3. He is a system and not a person.**

The antichrist is not the Pope but a person who will control an organization that rules the world viciously, like iron. He will do this at the time of his rise to unite Mystery Babylon and be especially violent in the last 42 months during the Great Tribulation.

*What I believe as this lines up with the Word is belief #4...*

### **4. He will appear at the “End Of Days” and will attempt to control the world.**

As we have been focusing on the book of Daniel, God’s Word confirms God’s Word. So, we are going to go to some other books of the Bible and pull an even more solid picture together for greater understanding.

So, where does the idea of an antichrist come from? Are we just making it up? NO. The Greek word used in the New Testament is found in the following passage but not limited to...

#### **1 John 2:18-19 NKJV**

*Deceptions of the Last Hour*

*18 Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard **that the Antichrist** is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour. 19 They went out from us, but they were not of us; for if they had been of us, they would have continued with us; but they went out that they might be made manifest, that none of them were of us.*

### **1 John 2:22-23 NKJV**

*22 Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is **antichrist** who denies the Father and the Son.*

*23 Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also.*

### **1 John 4:3 NKJV**

*3 and every spirit that does not confess that[ Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the **Antichrist**, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.*

### **2 John 7-8 NKJV**

*Beware of Antichrist Deceivers*

*7 For many deceivers have gone out into the world who do not confess Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is a deceiver and an **antichrist**.*

*8 Look to yourselves, that we do not lose those things we worked for, but that we may receive a full reward.*

The Greek word for antichrist is ***antíchristos***; **1. one who is against a christ or 2. instead of christ.**

The Bible says that many antichrists have come into the world but scholars have noted that in 1 John 2:18 it says “that the antichrist”, using the definite article meaning, in the Greek it is speaking or referring to a specific antichrist or person. This is identifying a person (the antichrist) that had been taught to the people in the early church that they knew was coming at the Time Of The End.

## Who Is The Antichrist ?

- o the antichrist is a spirit and even in John's day, was denying the deity of Christ
- o the antichrist denies the Father and Son and the divinity of Christ
- o the antichrist is a person that will arise at the "end of days"
- o the antichrist is addressed as "He" in 2 Thess. Ch. 2

### 2 Thessalonians 2:7-8 NKJV

7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken out of the way.  
8 And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord will consume with the breath of His mouth and destroy with the brightness of His coming.

### 2 Thessalonians 2:4 NKJV

4 who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

Note: "Him and He"... these are personal, male, masculine pronouns to describe this person who is coming at the "End Of Days".

Now, I'm going to give you a list of scriptures from the book of Daniel speaking of the antichrist.

**...the fourth beast...exceedingly dreadful**

**Daniel 7:19 NKJV**

*19 "Then I wished to know the truth about the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, **exceedingly dreadful**, with its teeth of iron and its nails of bronze, which devoured, broke in pieces, and trampled the residue with its feet;*

**Daniel 7:19 AMP**

*19 Then I wished to know the truth about the fourth beast—which was different from all the others, **exceedingly terrible** and shocking, whose teeth were of iron and its nails of bronze, which devoured, broke and crushed, and trampled what was left with its feet—*

Note: Remember this fourth beast or empire was Rome which is iron. It carries all the way down to the feet and toes where the characteristics were part clay and part iron.

**...whose look was more stout than his fellows**

**Daniel 7:20 KJV**

*20 And of the ten 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, whose look was more stout (firm) than his fellows.*

**Daniel 7:20 CEV**

*20 I also wanted to know more about all ten of those horns on its head. I especially wanted to know more about the one that took the place of three of the others—the horn that had eyes and spoke with arrogance and seemed greater than the others.*

**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...**

**Daniel 7:25 AMP**

*25 And he shall speak words against the Most High [God] and shall wear out the saints of the Most High and think to change the time [of sacred feasts and holy days] and the law; and the saints shall be given into his hand for a time, two times, and half a time [three and one-half years].*

**Daniel 7:25 KJV**

*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: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.*

**magnified himself even to the prince of the host...**

**Daniel 8:11 KJV**

*11 Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of the sanctuary was cast down.*

**Daniel 8:11 AMP**

*11 Yes, [this horn] magnified itself, even [matching itself] against the Prince of the host [of heaven]; and from Him the continual [burnt offering] was taken away and the place of [God's] sanctuary was cast down and profaned.*

**...fierce countenance, and understanding  
of dark sentences...**

**Daniel 8:23 KJV**

*23 And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.*

**Daniel 8:23 AMP**

*23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors [the apostate Jews] have reached the fullness [of their wickedness, taxing the limits of God's mercy], a king of fierce countenance and understanding dark trickery and craftiness shall stand up.*

Remember, the spirit of the antichrist is already at work. There are leaders who already have these characteristics that are in high places.

**and his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people**

**Daniel 8:24 KJV**

*24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.*

**Daniel 8:24 AMP**

*24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; and he shall corrupt and destroy astonishingly and shall prosper and do his own pleasure, and he shall corrupt and destroy the mighty men and the holy people (the people of the saints).*



**...he shall cause craft to prosper in his hands...  
and by peace shall destroy many**

**Daniel 8:25 KJV**

25 And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.

**Daniel 8:25 AMP**

25 And through his policy he shall cause trickery to prosper in his hand; he shall magnify himself in his heart and mind, and in their security he will corrupt and destroy many. He shall also stand up against the Prince of princes, but he shall be broken and that by no [human] hand.

**Daniel 8:25 CEV**

25 His deceitful lies will make him so successful, that he will think he is really great. Suddenly he will kill many people, and he will even attack God, the Supreme Ruler. But God will crush him!

**...but he shall come in peaceably**

**Daniel 11:21 KJV**

21 And in his estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.

**Daniel 11:21 NASB**

*21 In his place a despicable person will arise, on whom the honor of kingship has not been conferred, but **he will come in a time of tranquility** and seize the kingdom by intrigue.*

The time of peace or tranquility that is this is speaking of is a result of the peace treaty that is signed that is “supposed” to last for 7 years. This is following the rapture and the war of God and Magog. This 7 year peace treaty starts the prophetic clock of the tribulation. The sacrifices begin again at the temple, 2 witnesses appear, peace etc. This passage along with many others negates the “mid trip rapture” theory as we would know the date of the rapture - 42 months after the signing of the peace treaty.

**Daniel 9:27 KJV**

*27 And he shall **confirm the covenant with many for one week (7 years)**: and in the midst of the week (3 1/2 years) he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.*

**Daniel 9:27 AMP**

*27 And he shall enter into a **strong and firm covenant with the many for one week [seven years]**. And in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and offering to cease [for the remaining three and one-half years]; and upon the wing or pinnacle of abominations [shall come] one who makes desolate, until the full determined end is poured out on the desolator.*

**with the arms of a flood shall they be overflown...**

**Daniel 11:22 KJV**

22 And with the arms of a flood shall they be overflown from before him, and shall be broken; yea, also the prince of the covenant.

**Daniel 11:22 AMP**

22 Before him the overwhelming forces of invading armies shall be broken and utterly swept away; yes, and a prince of the covenant [with those who were at peace with him] also [shall be broken and swept away].

**...and shall become strong with small people**

**Daniel 11:23 KJV**

23 And after the league made with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people.

**Daniel 11:23 GNT**

23 By making treaties, he will deceive other nations, and he will grow stronger and stronger, even though he rules only a small nation.

he shall enter peaceably even upon the fattest place of the province...he shall scatter among them the prey...and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds...

**Daniel 11:24 KJV**

*24 He shall enter peaceably even upon the **fattest** places of the **province**; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: yea, and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.*

The word **province** in this message means **Medina** and the root word for **fattest** in Hebrew means **oil**.



**Medina:** the radiant city” or "the city of the prophet"... is a city in the Hejaz region of western Saudi Arabia, and serves as the capital of the Al Madinah Province. It is the second holiest city in Islam, and the burial place of the Islamic Prophet Muhammad. Medina is historically significant for being Muhammad's home.

This means he, the antichrist, will be over or in control of the oil where Mohammed is buried which is in Saudi Arabia. He will control the oil wells, the Persian Gulf along with the Red Sea. He will control where the oil comes and goes and you will not be able to purchase it without the Mark of the Beast, He will bring nations down to their knees for withholding oil.

**...his heart shall be against the holy covenant...**

**Daniel 11:28 KJV**

*28 Then shall he return into his land with great riches; and **his heart shall be against the holy covenant**; and he shall do exploits, and return to his own land.*

**neither shall he regard the god of his fathers...**

**Daniel 11:37 KJV**

*37 **Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers**, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.*

**Daniel 11:37 AMP**

*37 **He shall not regard the gods of his fathers** or Him [to Whom] women desire [to give birth—the Messiah] or any other god, for he shall magnify himself above all.*

**but in his estate shall he honour the god of forces...**

**Daniel 11:38 KJV**

38 But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things.

**Daniel 11:38 GNT**

38 Instead, he will honor the god who protects fortresses. He will offer gold, silver, jewels, and other rich gifts to a god his ancestors never worshiped.

**thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god...and shall divide the land for gain**

**Daniel 11:39 KJV**

39 Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge and increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain.

**Daniel 11:39 AMP**

39 And he shall deal with the strongest fortresses by the help of a foreign god. Those who acknowledge him he shall magnify with glory and honor, and he shall cause them to rule over many and shall divide the land for a price.

This passage is talking about dividing up the land of Israel for gain and this current administration has forced Israel's hand behind the scenes and openly.

The U.N. along with several other nations in the E.U. do not even recognize Israel or the Temple Mount as belonging to the Jews.

There are church denominations who are boycotting businesses who supply or buy from Israel. There are so called "Christian groups" (in name only) who are for a Palestinian State by the taking away of the land of Israel.



As a result of the antichrist dividing the land for gain...he will say, I will give Jerusalem over to the Palestinians to have and to the Gaza people.

Going all the way back to President Jimmy Carter, America has divided the land. President George H. Bush divided the land, President George W. Bush divided the land. President Bill Clinton was signing peace negotiations for the dividing of the land. This spirit of the antichrist has been with us for a long time.



**...he shall go forth with great fury to destroy  
and utterly to make away many**

**Daniel 11:44 KJV**

*44 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.*

**Daniel 11:44 GNT**

*44 Then news that comes from the east and the north will frighten him, and he will fight furiously, killing many people.*

Here is a summary of the antichrist when we compare what John wrote about in the book of Revelation with Daniel's writings in the the book of Daniel.

- o The antichrist will be the final world ruler prior to Christ returning to set up His kingdom.**
- o The antichrist will have 10 kings submit to him in the final 42 months of the Tribulation.**
- o The antichrist will form an 8th kingdom that will rule for the final 42 months of the Tribulation.**
- o The antichrist will be given authority over all people for 42 months.**



- o **The antichrist makes war and cannot be defeated.**
- o **The antichrist will be defeated and cast into hell when Christ returns to rule on earth.**

There are more pieces to the puzzle that we find in Daniel 7:8, 19-20 and 24. There are 10 kings who form a kingdom first. The little horn which is the antichrist rises up after these 10 kings or kingdoms have formed. He will uproot 3 of the 10 and replaces them (leaders) with his own leaders and the 10 will receive power for one hour along with the beast.

### **Daniel 7:8 KJV**

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

### **Daniel 7:19-20 KJV**

*19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;*

*20 And of the ten 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, whose look was more stout than his fellows.*

**Daniel 7:24 KJV**

*24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.*

Lets go to John's writing in the book of Revelation which is speaking of the ten horns, ten kings or the ten toes that we find in the book of Daniel.

**Revelation 17:12 KJV**

*12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.*

**Revelation 17:12 AMP**

*12 Also the ten horns that you observed are ten rulers (kings) who have as yet received no royal dominion, but together they are to receive power and authority as rulers for a single hour, along with the beast.*

In Daniel chapter 11:41-44 it tells us that he will come up against Egypt, Ethiopia and Libya.

**Daniel 11:41-44 KJV**

*41 He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon. **Note: Edom and Ammon is the country of Jordan today. Ammon is the capital of Jordan.***

*42 He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.*

*43 But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps.*

*44 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.*

I want to spend some time here with Libya, Egypt and Ethiopia to show you how close we are to these prophecies being fulfilled. Remember, this is not going to happen till after the Rapture of the Church but you can see the stage being set today.

Ethiopia used to be a very strong Christian nation with Christian leaders. We've studied and learned that there was an airlifting of thousands of Jewish people from Ethiopia back to Israel in the 1980's called *Operation Moses*. Radical Islam is now taking over that nation.



In the last 5 years, we have seen Egypt collapse starting with the revolution in 2011 against President Mubarak (pictured left) which was part of the broader uprising of the Arab Spring movement. He took office in 1981 after the assassination of President Anwar Sadat and continued the policies pursued by his predecessor, including the liberalization of Egypt's economy and a commitment to the 1979 Camp David Accords.

The Egyptian government under Mubarak also maintained close relations with the other member states of the Arab League, as well as the United States, Russia, India, and much of the Western world.

Following President Mubarak was Mohamed Morsi who became President of Egypt from 30 June 2012 to 3 July 2013, when he was removed by Army Chief General Abdel Fattah el-Sisi after the June 2013 Egyptian protests and the 2013 Egyptian coup .



As president, Morsi (pictured left) issued a temporary constitutional declaration in late November, 2013 that in effect granted him unlimited powers and the power to legislate without judicial oversight or review of his acts.

The temporary constitutional declaration was called for a referendum, an act that his opponents called an "Islamist coup".

After the Egyptian revolution of 2011 and election of Mohamed Morsi to the Egyptian presidency, Abdel Fattah el-Sisi was named head of the armed forces. As chief of the Egyptian Armed Forces, he launched the 2013 Egyptian coup that removed President Morsi from office after the June 2013 protests.

Two months later, troops loyal to Sisi began a bloody crackdown against pro-Morsi protestors and dissidents that left 1,400 dead and 16,000 detained. In the wake of violence, Sisi installed an interim government.



Abdel Fattah el-Sisi (pictured left) also remained Egypt's Minister of Defense and assumed the role of the country's first Deputy Prime Minister. On March 26, 2014 he resigned from his military post, announcing that he would run as a candidate in the 2014 presidential election.

The election, held between May 26-28, which included only one opponent, was boycotted by most political parties and the Muslim Brotherhood, and resulted in Sisi winning the presidency with more than 93% of the vote. Sisi was sworn into office as President of Egypt on 8 June 2014.

However, there is a great void regarding leadership in Egypt which the antichrist is going to step in and take over. But, these prophetic maneuverings had to take place in order for God's plan to move forward.



When it comes to Libya, there's also a void. Their former leader, Muammar Mohammed Gaddafi (pictured left), was killed in 2011. He governed Libya as Revolutionary Chairman of the Libyan Arab Republic from 1969 to 1977 and then as the "Brotherly Leader" of the Great Socialist People's Libyan Arab Jamahiriya from 1977 to 2011.

He was initially ideologically committed to Arab nationalism and Arab socialism, but he came to rule according to his own Third International Theory before embracing Pan-Africanism.

So when Egypt began to fall because of the Arab Spring, it was only a matter of time and Libya was next. These 2 nations are ready for a “take over” not just politically, but they are both in financial crisis and need someone to step in with the solution not only there, but in Ethiopia as well.

So these are the plans or strategies of the antichrist. He wants to take over Israel, he wants to drive the Jews out of Jerusalem. We can see now, the preparations for what will be happening after we are raptured.