
The Antichrist, Part 3

We will continue studying about the antichrist today. We want to make sure everybody has a good grasp on who this individual is and what he's going to do so they are well informed. Christians and the church will not meet the antichrist because we will be raptured first, then the antichrist will come on the scene. He is a great enemy of the church and a venomous enemy of Israel.

How we can tell if info about the Antichrist is true or false

Daniel 7:7 After this I saw in the night-visions, and, behold, a fourth beast, terrible and powerful, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth; it devoured and broke in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

There are a lot of people these days beginning to believe that the antichrist is a system: economic, political, financial. It's not. The antichrist is an individual. Daniel chapter 7 is detailing visions Daniel has about the future. This beast Daniel sees in his vision is not like a regular animal. It has iron teeth and ten horns. It is the revived Roman Empire. The Roman Empire has never ceased to exist. The United States is based on the old Roman Empire, our decrees and government. That's where our forefathers got their ideas from.

8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another horn, a little one, before which three of the first horns were plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking great things. When the antichrist comes on the scene, he'll destroy the other ten horns (horns means power).

9 ¶ I beheld till thrones were placed, and one that was ancient of days did sit: his raiment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and the wheels thereof burning fire. This represents Jesus Christ.

10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousands of thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. Thousands and thousands could mean millions. Everything you say and do is recorded in God's books.

11 I beheld at that time because of the voice of the great words which the horn spoke; I beheld even till the beast was slain, and its body destroyed, and it was given to be burned with fire. This horn is the antichrist. The beast is his empire. He is in power a short time. Christ will have His way in the end and cast the antichrist into the lake of fire.


Daniel 7:15 ¶ As for me, Daniel, my spirit was grieved in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me. These visions were so realistic that Daniel couldn't concentrate on his activities of daily living. They were overriding everything he had to do in a day. These visions came from God.

16 I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth concerning all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things. God interpreted the visions for Daniel. We don't have to interpret it or dispute it because God spells it out for us. It's not that complicated.

17 These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, that shall arise out of the earth.

18 But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever. God says don't worry about what you see these beasts (gentile empires) doing, and you will see some awful stuff; God and Jesus Christ and their saints will prevail in the end.

19 Then I desired to know the truth concerning the fourth beast, which was diverse from all of them, exceeding terrible, whose teeth were of iron, and its nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet; Daniel is wondering about this last beast, this abomination.



20 and concerning the ten horns that were on its head, and the other horn which came up, and before which three fell, even that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake great things, whose look was more stout than its fellows. Daniel says the 10 horns were normal, but this last horn had eyes and talked. It must mean something special.

21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; Notice: this horn (empire) that come up last makes war upon the saints and appears to win (for the moment).

22 until the ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the Most High, and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom. Christ comes back and passes judgement.

23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be a fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all the kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. The antichrist will have complete power over all the nations on earth. But he shall be in power for a short time. Some people will rebel and be killed. We have the ability now for a global domination situation: global banking, internet, communications.

24 And as for the ten horns, out of this kingdom shall ten kings arise: and another shall arise after them; and he shall be diverse from the former, and he shall put down three kings. This is an angel giving the interpretation. The ten horns are ten kingdoms or nations, and three shall rise up and the antichrist will destroy them.

25 And he shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High; and he shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and half a time. Whatever was established before the antichrist comes to power will be changed. This is referring to the Jews specifically. The "times and half a time" is the last half of the tribulation, 3½ years. The first half of the tribulation the antichrist will appear as a good guy. The last half he will show his demonic powers and nature.


26 But the judgment shall be set, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. After the antichrist is in power a total of 7 years, Christ will come and pass judgment and give the earth over to the saints.

27 And the kingdom and the dominion, and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High: his kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him. The saints will rule for ever after.

28 Here is the end of the matter. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts much troubled me, and my countenance was changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart. Daniel had all this dumped on him by God, and he had a hard time dealing with it. He thought about it everyday, all day, and he couldn't do his daily activities because these visions were so real and the message was so intense.

Daniel 8:23 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. The antichrist has many names, King of Fierce Countenance being one more. "Understanding dark sentences" means the antichrist will be involved in the occult.

24 And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper and do his pleasure; and he shall destroy the mighty ones and the holy people. This mighty power is when he first comes on the scene with Satan's help. "Destroy" means "corrupt". The antichrist is going to mesmerize the German people. They have been beaten down and they want to be powerful. The antichrist will not destroy the people but corrupt them. Later on, after the prosperity part of his reign (the first 3½ years), the antichrist will turn on the Jews. The antichrist will solve all of the world's problems, he'll make a 7-year peace pact, and he'll break it after 3½ years and turn on the Jews. The Church and Christians will be raptured before the antichrist comes on the scene, so we won't meet him. The book of Daniel is mainly about the future of Israel.



25 And through his policy he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and in their security shall he destroy many: he shall also stand up against the prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand. The antichrist will create jobs, he'll feed the hungry, and he'll bring peace. But he'll turn on people half way through the tribulation.

26 And the vision of the evenings and mornings which hath been told is true: but shut thou up the vision; for it belongeth to many days to come. The angel tells Daniel not to worry because all this will happen in the future; not in his lifetime.

27 And I, Daniel, fainted, and was sick certain days; then I rose up, and did the king's business: and I wondered at the vision, but none understood it. These visions were too much for Daniel to handle, and he fainted. But he got it written down for us to read even though Daniel and the people of his time didn't understand the visions given to Daniel.