



DANIEL 11 – PART 2

“From North and South to the Glorious Land”

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Ellen White, *Manuscript Releases*, 13:394

The prophecy in the eleventh of Daniel has nearly reached its complete fulfillment. Much of the history that has taken place in fulfillment of this prophecy will be repeated. In the thirtieth verse a power is spoken of that “shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.” [Verses 31-36 quoted.]



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Daniel 11:40

“At the time of the end the king of the South shall attack him; and the king of the North shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter the countries, overwhelm them, and pass through.”



Thoughts on Dan. 11:40

- This text states that “at the time of the end” (in the year 1798) the KOS would attack “him,” the papal KON
- Because “Egypt” was the KOS earlier in Daniel 11 (vs. 5-15; 25-29), the KOS is still Egypt in this verse; however, the KOS is symbolic “Egypt,” which represents atheism (Ex. 5:1-2; Rev. 11:7-8; GC 269)
- France, an avowed atheistic nation in 1798, attacked the papacy by removing it from power (a “deadly wound”)



Thoughts on Dan. 11:40 (cont'd)

- This text also states that the papal KON would respond to this “attack” (its “deadly wound”) by returning to power
- This verse predicts that the papacy would “heal” by regaining control of the civil and military power of nations once again (Sunday legislation); when this takes place, it will “enter the countries” of the world and “overwhelm them,” thus securing control of the world; this event is still future (we are living between vs. 40a and vs. 40b in the stream of human history!)



Daniel 11:41

**“He shall also enter the
Glorious Land, and many
countries shall be overthrown;
but these shall escape from his
hand: Edom, Moab, and the
prominent people of Ammon.”**



Thoughts on Dan. 11:41

- As it regains power, the papal KON will enter into the Glorious Land; earlier in Daniel 11 this referred to literal Israel; this term now refers to spiritual Israel, the Christian Church (Rom. 2:28-29; 9:6-8; Gal. 3:26-29; Eph. 2:11-22)
- This is a move by the papal KON to have the worship of the world by regaining civil power again (Sunday Legislation); as a counterfeit KON, the papacy will seek to occupy a position that only God can rightfully occupy (Isa. 14:12-14)



Louis F. Were, *Battle for the Kingship of the World*, page 60

When the State enters the domain of conscience, the realm of the church – the “glorious land,” Dan. 11:41 . . . the prophecy of Dan. 11:41 will meet its fulfillment. It is when the deadly wound is healed – when church and State combine to enforce religious dogmas – that all the world wonders after the beast (Rev. 13). It is then that the king of the north enters the “glorious land” (Dan. 11:41), the domain of conscience, the territory of the church.”



Thoughts on Dan. 11:41 (cont'd)

- Some people will resist this attempt by the papal KON to secure global worship; Edom, Moab, and the prominent children of Ammon will “**escape**” from the papal KON
- This is apocalyptic language to suggest that there are people who were once not followers of God, but have a change of heart and choose to follow Him, and thus refuse to worship the papal KON (**Isa. 11:10-16**)



Isaiah 11:11-12, 14

“It shall come to pass in that day that the Lord shall set His hand again the second time to recover the remnant of His people who are left . . . He will set up a banner for the nations, and will assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather together the dispersed of Judah from the four corners of the earth . . .



Isaiah 11:11-12, 14

But they shall fly down upon the shoulders of the Philistines toward the west; together they shall plunder the people of the East; they shall lay their hand on Edom and Moab; and the people of Ammon shall obey them.”



Gerhard Pfandl, *Daniel: Adult Sabbath School Lesson Quarterly* (December 2004), page 105

These nations no longer exist, which indicates that this passage is not intended to be construed as literal. In ancient days these nations were the enemies of God's people, but God in His grace has promised to save many who were once His enemies. The church will be used of Him to conquer spiritually "Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon." Many will come out of groups once opposed to the truth of God and join God's people in the time of the end.



Daniel 11:42-43

“He shall stretch out his hand against the countries, and the land of Egypt shall not escape. He shall have power over the treasures of gold and silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt; also the Libyans and Ethiopians shall follow at his heels.”



Thoughts on Dan. 11:42-43

- The papal KON will gain global control (“stretch out his hand against the countries”); the “land of Egypt” (atheism) will “not escape” (will this happen when Satan appears as a counterfeit Christ?)
- The symbols of “gold” and “silver” could be a reference to economic control as far as how the papal KON will seek to control buying and selling when the “mark of the beast” is enforced (Rev. 13:11-17)



Thoughts on Dan. 11:42-43 (cont'd)

- Also, the terms Egypt, the “Libyans,” and the “Ethiopians” might also represent the enemies of God’s end-time faithful who form a last-day alliance with the papal KON to control the world and persecute non-compliant people (Jer. 46:8-10; Eze. 30:3-6; 38:3-8)



Daniel 11:44-45

“But news from the east and north shall trouble him; therefore he shall go out with great fury to destroy and annihilate many. And he shall plant the tents of his palace between the seas and the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and no one will help him.”



Thoughts on Dan. 11:44-45

- The “east” and “north” are divine directions ([Isa. 14:12-14](#); [Rev. 7:1-3](#); [Matt. 24:27](#)); “news” (“tidings”) will “trouble” the papal KON; this is a divine message ([Rom. 10:13-15](#))
- This message awakens a final persecuting fury from the papal KON to destroy God’s end-time faithful
- The “seas” represent the nations of earth ([Rev. 17:15](#)); the “glorious holy mountain” (Mt. Zion) represents God’s end-time faithful ([Joel 3:17](#); [Zech. 8:3](#); [Psa. 125:1](#); [Rev. 14:1](#))



Russell Burrill, *Hope When the World Falls Apart*, page 296

Originally, Mt. Zion was the place where the temple was built, but by Daniel's time it was the symbol for all of God's people, wherever they were . . . Since Daniel 11:40-45 is portraying God's people at the time of the end, the glorious holy mountain would be a reference to the people of God in the last days . . . Daniel 11:40-45, Revelation 12:17, Revelation 13:11-18, and Revelation 16:12-16 are all depicting the same scene – earth's final battle.



Thoughts on Dan. 11:44-45 (cont'd)

- The papal KON will seek to plant its religio-political authority among the nations of the earth; it will seek to isolate the 144,000 (the “glorious holy mountain”), and threaten this last-day faithful group with destruction
- Yet, the papal KON will come to a final end, and no one will help this power; this is brought to pass in [Dan. 12:1-3](#), which describes the second coming of Christ and the final deliverance of the faithful!



Symbols for the Papal Antichrist and the Faithful

Papal Antichrist	Move	Church/Faithful
King of the North (Dan. 11:41)	Enters	Glorious Land
King of the North (Dan. 11:45)	Plants	Glorious Holy Mountain
Abomination of Desolation (Matt. 24:15)	Stands	Holy Place
Man of Sin/Son of Perdition (2 Thess. 2:3-4)	Sits	Temple of God



Overall Thoughts on Dan. 11:40-45

- God's faithful people will be the targets of persecution and attack by the enemies of the Gospel
- Yet, the faithful will ultimately triumph; they will experience a great deliverance when Christ returns the second time!
- The final verses of **Daniel 11 (vs. 40-45)** also seem to be a reflection of historical trends and events that took place during Daniel's lifetime (they form an apocalyptic model!)



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Daniel's Four Apocalyptic Visions

Dan. 2	Dan. 7	Dan. 8-9	Dan. 10-12	Interpretation
Gold	Lion	-----	-----	Babylon (605-539 BC)
Silver	Bear	Ram	10:1, 13, 20 11:1-2	Medo-Persia (539-331 BC)
Bronze	Leopard	Male Goat	10:20; 11:2-4	Greece (331-168 BC)
-----	Four Heads	Four Horns	11:4-15	Four Greek Empires (323-30 BC)
Iron	Fourth Beast	Little Horn	11:16-30a	Imperial Rome (168 BC-AD 476)
Ten Toes	Ten Horns	-----	-----	Divided Kingdoms (AD 476)
Iron/Clay	Little Horn	Little Horn	11:30b-45a 12:4-11	Papal Rome (538-1798, 1798-End)
Stone	Judgment	Sanctuary	12:12-13	Judgment (1844-End)
Image Smashed	Horn Judged	Horn Broken	11:45b, 12:1-3	2 nd Advent of Christ (Still Future)