This final lesson of Daniel chapter 11 details the last stand of the King of the North. The King of the North reclaimed the power, seat, and great authority it once held during the Dark Ages after its conquest of the "countries of the King of the South", the former Soviet Union; "the Glorious Land", the United States; "the countries and the land of Egypt", the world, and after gaining control of the global economy. Through a confederacy of civil and religious world powers, brought together by an *Ecumenical Movement*, deceptive craft and intelligence, supernatural miracles showing signs and lying wonders, the papacy will assume once more her position as Queen of the Earth (Revelation 18:7; Isaiah 47:8, 5). The Bible reveals however, that despite her seemingly unbounded control over the minds and works of men, as well as over all the financial resources of the world, there remain a few who refuse to bow to her authority. These are lifted-up by God with a distinct message to the inhabitants of the world. In this lesson, we will understand the character of these messengers; the One Who empowers them, and their calling for these *Last Days*.

Our study begins in verse 44 of Daniel 11, where the King of the North is said to be, "troubled by tidings out of the east and out of the north".

**0**: Consider another Biblical king that was troubled by glad tidings. What were the tidings and what was the king's response? Read Matthew 2:1-18; Jeremiah 31:15

A: King Herod, hearing of the birth of Jesus Christ (the prophesied King of the Jews) by wise men journeying from

the east who brought Jesus gifts, became troubled by the threat of a potential rival to his throne. Of Edomite heritage, Herod feared any contest to the throne over the provinces of Judea he had gained by violent ruthlessness. After deceptively requesting the wise men seek the location of the Child King so that he may also pay him homage, Herod was himself deceived when God directed the wise men not to return to him, but to return to their country by another route. Angered by what he believed to be a conspiracy of the wise men; Herod ordered the murder of all children in Bethlehem under the age of two years old.

**Q**: What tidings originate from the east and north that trouble the King of the North of Daniel 11? Consider the following:

- Isaiah 40:9-11
- Isaiah 52:6-8 • Isaiah 41:25-27
  - Romans 10:13-15 • Ezekiel 43:1, 2 • Psalm 48:2 • Leviticus 1:10, 11

• Isaiah 41:2

• Revelation 7:1-4

• Ezekiel 8:1-6. 16

- Isaiah 61:1-4 • Leviticus 16:14
  - Matthew 24:27
- Malachi 4:2
  - Amos 8:11, 12

**A**: The *tidings* out of the *east* and out of the *north* are the **Loud Cry** from the Lord, spoken by those empowered by the *Latter Rain* of the Holy Spirit (Revelation 18:1-5). He Who is from the *north* and comes from the *east* is Jesus Christ. In fulfillment of His prophecy, "Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword." (Matthew 10:34), Jesus divides the world, and once again stirs the ire of another earthly king who lays claim to His people, His blood-bought inheritance. Recall the studies of Revelation chapter 13 that described the forces of evil

marshalling against God and His people in the *Last Days*. In answer to chapter 13, Revelation 14 presents the *remnant* of God's true church, numbering 144,000 who are said to:

- Follow the Lamb wherever He leads
- Be redeemed from among men
- Be undefiled from women (corrupt churches & doctrine)
- Be first fruits to God and to the Lamb
- Have no guile in their mouths
- Be without fault before the throne of God
- Endure an experience that others have never faced; a world completely devoid of God's restraining Holy Spirit

This group bears specific tidings to all corners of the earth embodied in the *Three Angel's Messages* of Revelation 14, joined by the mighty Fourth Angel of Revelation 18. The tidings from the east concern the Seal of God, God's character imparted by His Spirit to those who acknowledge Jesus as Creator, Lord of the Sabbath, and the One in Whom they find rest in redemption (Heb 4:1-11; Matt 11:28-30; Eph 1:13, 14). The message also speaks of God's atonement and the blotting out of sins by His shed blood, during the Antitypical Day of Atonement (Acts 3:19). Lastly as the Sun of Righteousness and King from the east, Jesus offers the experience of *Righteousness by Faith*, complete victory over sin, and physical healing and restoration through a *Message of Health Reform* to a sin-sick, dying world.

The tidings from the north speak of Jesus' completed works in settling the *Great Controversy* [the *image of jealousy*] with Satan, when He laid down His life towards the north*Jealousy* is that which stands in the place of Christ within the temple of God, and seeks to supplant man's righteous acts of confession to God, true repentance, and the acceptance of Christ's shed blood as atonement, blotting-out one's sins by faith (Acts 3:19). In their place are exalted spurious rituals, holidays, and ceremonies, including Lent, Penance (confession to a mere man), the Eucharist, the adoration of saints, and Sunday observance. These manmade forms, all of pagan origin, embody Satan's "throne of iniquity" that he has established to supplant God's "throne of righteousness".

sides of the temple, outside Jerusalem's gate. The *Image of* 

The tidings brought by God's faithful are more than suggestions, counseling men of the heresies and deceptions instituted by the earthly King of the North. They are rather, impassioned pleas from God for all to, "Come out of Her my people, that ve be not partakers of her sins and that ve receive not her plagues" Rev 18:4, 13:6-9. The final warning to the world through God's remnant church details the imminent doom of the condemned papal system; more so, it is the final revelation of God's love and desire to save every individual for whom His Son has died (1 Timothy 2:3-6).

**Watchmen**, called to bear these tidings to the world, are to be quickened by the Spirit of God through the Testimony of Jesus Christ, the Spirit of prophecy. They are to be united, seeing eye-to-eye, as they stand under a common message, work, and banner (Isaiah 52:7, 8; Ezekiel 37:1-10; Song of Solomon 6:10). They are the glorious army of Jesus Christ!

Therefore, the King of the North is troubled by tidings from

the east and north, brought by wise men, students of Bible prophecy who bear three gifts, the *Three Angel's Messages*, rooted in God's *sanctuary message*, calling the world to worship the One true God. These humble, faithful servants will be lifted-up by God as an ensign, a banner of His righteousness before the world (Matthew 24:14), so that others may be gathered by their message (Daniel 12:3, 10; Isaiah 5:26, 11:10-12, 55:4, 5, 12, 13). Like King Herod at the birth of Christ, the Modern King of the North, empowered by 10 kings who in confederacy yield their power and influence to him, will respond to the message and its bearers with great fury, seeking to, "destroy and utterly take away many" (Psalm 2:1-3). The Bible foretells persecutions to befall the remnant like those borne by the faithful during the *Dark Ages*, namely imprisonment, being despoiled, and even death (Rev 6:9-11, 11:2; John 16:1-4). The spirit of intolerance and cruel works that once actuated Papal Rome will be rekindled under Modern Rome.

"And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in [and] the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him." Daniel 11:45

The final verse of the chapter details the last efforts of the King of the North before his decisive end by God. The verse describes the King of the North establishing his "tabernacles" and his "palace" between the seas in the glorious holy mountain. Bible scholars concur that the conjunction "and" is grammatically more appropriate in the verse, and should replace the preposition "in". This implies

the King of the North creates a division among the seas <u>and</u> the glorious *holy mountain*. A *tabernacle*, a place designated for religious services, and a *palace*, the house of a king, show the united, dual institutions of church and State we have come to find synonymous with the papal power. From prior studies, we have understood that *seas* symbolize "*multitudes*, *nations*, *and tongues*" (Revelation 17:15). Therefore, the King of the North, by way of a global *Sunday Law* and its enforcement with the *Mark of the Beast*, will divide *multitudes* against the *glorious holy mountain*.

**Q**: What definition does the Bible give for the term "holy mountain"? Read the following:

- Isa 2:1-3, 51:16 Joel 2:1, 3:17 Zechariah 8:3
- Micah 4:1, 2
  Daniel 9:20
  Isa 57:13-15: 48:2

A: The term *holy mountain* in the Bible is synonymous with the terms *Zion* and *Jerusalem*. Each of these terms denote, not a city, but rather the **people of God**. God has always had a people upon the earth with whom He has established His laws and His covenant. The Nation of Israel was chosen of God to be His ambassadors to the world with the gospel message because of His promise to their ancestor Abraham, called the *Father of the Faithful*. The apostle Paul however, wrote the following concerning the rejection of both the calling, and the One to Whom the message pointed by the chosen representatives, the *Natural Nation of Israel*:

"Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is, that they might be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge. For they being <u>ignorant</u>

of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God... Even the righteousness of God [which is] by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference: For unto us was the gospel preached, as well as unto them: but the word preached did not profit them, not being mixed with faith in them that heard [it]" Rom 10:1-3, 3:22; Hebrews 4:2.

Paul affirms that the gospel is profitable and will fulfill all righteousness in those who accept it *by faith of Jesus Christ*, those who make up the *Spiritual Nation of Israel*!

The term "holy mountain" is written sixteen times in the Bible about God's people, but only once (Daniel 11:45) is the holy mountain of God called "glorious". Herein is the prophetic fulfillment of the *Mystery of God*, spoken in Revelation 10:7. Through the indwelling Holy Spirit, Christ will produce a people in the *Last Days* that perfectly reflect His own character, <u>His glory</u>, while here on earth (Isaiah 60:1-3; Psalm 50:2; Exodus 34:6, 7; Mal 3:2-4; 2 Peter 1:2-4; Titus 2:11-14; Col 1:27; Dan 12:3). The 144,000 and those that are gathered-in by them under the sounding of the *Third Angel's Message*, joined by the *Fourth Angel*, comprise God's triumphant church, His *Glorious Holy Mountain*.

The world will be gathered and aligned against the *Glorious Holy Mountain* and its God through the combined forces of the *Dragon*, the *Beast*, and the *False Prophet* until the decisive, great day of God Almighty (Rev 16:13, 14; 17:13, 14).

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