

APPLICATION

5 Keys to Thriving while Living in Babylon

1

_____ to the True King

We have *purposed* to follow God over all

2

Deep Ties to _____

We need each other's fellowship and encouragement!

DANIEL CHALLENGE #1 – Heartfelt Community _____

A monthly meal with fellow believers from church.

3

Courageous Testimony: _____ but _____

We honor the earthly king – but we *obey* God

4

Reliance on _____: Daily and Urgent

Our *power* comes from God – not human might

DANIEL CHALLENGE #2 – Heartfelt Community _____

A commitment to pray *FOR* others and *WITH* others.

5

Gardening with an Eye on the _____

Make Babylon *better*, while we wait for the *Eternal* Kingdom

Put Prophecy into _____!

2 Thessalonians 2:1-17 – “Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him, That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition ... And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming... Therefore, brethren, stand fast, and hold the traditions which ye have been taught, whether by word, or our epistle. Now our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God, even our Father, which hath loved us, and hath given us everlasting consolation and good hope through grace, Comfort your hearts, and stablish you in every good word and work.”



THE BOOK OF DANIEL

How to Thrive while Living in Babylon

Part 20: “The Anti-Christ”

TODAY'S TEXT: Daniel 11:35-45

11:35 – The _____ of History Reaches the _____

“Time of the end” = *’ēṭ qēš* = Time/opportunity of the End/conclusion

“For a time appointed” = *mô’ēd* = appointed time, sacred season

The cycle prophesied in **Daniel 11:4-35** came dramatically true during the historical period from 323 BC to 167 BC.

The language of verse 35 signals the _____ from 167 BC all the way to the ‘time of the end’ ... verses 36-46 are still in the future!

These echoes of history will reach their _____ at the end!

1 John 2:18 – “Little children, it is the last time: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, even now are there many antichrists; whereby we know that it is the last time.”

11:36 – The Arrival of the _____

- Is _____ and elevates and glorifies _____
- Magnifies himself _____ God!
“magnify” = *gāḏal* = to make more important, larger, greater
- Enjoys great _____ until the end

Compare to The _____ description of the Anti-Christ:

Revelation 13:4-8 – “And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him? ... And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations. And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life...”

How do we know this is still in the _____?

✧ _____ said so!

Matthew 24:15 – “When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains...”

✧ _____ said so!

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4 – “Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 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.”

✧ _____ already said so!

Daniel 2:44 – “And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.”

11:37 – The Anti-Christ: A False _____

He presents himself up as the true _____ of the World.

- He doesn't follow the God of his ancestors
- He doesn't regard the desire of Women
“regard” = *bîn* = discern, understand, consider
- He doesn't regard any God!

= He will present himself as _____ than all gods

2 Thessalonians 2:9-10 – “Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders...”

Revelation 13:3-4 – “And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?”

11:38 – The Anti-Christ: Promotes a False _____

“god of forces” = *ēlôha mā'ôz* = god of strength, safety, protection

The Bible _____ this final World Religion!

Revelation 13:11-14 – “And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon... And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.”

The World is actively _____ for this final religion!

- Muslims are expecting the *Mahdi* (*The guided one/redeemer*)
- Jews are still waiting for the *Messiah*
- Buddhists are expecting the *Maitreya* (*Buddha yet to come*)
- Apostate Christians will be deceived by a *false Christ*.
- Hindus/New Age religions are directly looking for an *Enlightened One* to bring world peace and unite the world's religions.

11:39 – The Anti-Christ: Economic + _____ Power

- He directly rules over a 'Restored _____ Empire'

See: **Daniel 2** (*statue*) and **Daniel 7** (*beasts*)

Sermon: “The Beast and the Little Horn” 3/8/2026

- His power and influence stretch _____
“most strongholds” = *mā'ôz mibšār* = cities of strength

- He makes a _____ peace in the Middle East

Revelation 13:7-17 – “And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations... And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.”

11:40-44 – The Anti-Christ: _____ from the East and North

- An _____ of Israel by opposing kings!
Gives the Anti-Christ an excuse to invade Israel himself!
- Bad _____ from the East and North!
Likely the failed invasion of Russia (**Ezekiel 38**) and the drying of the Euphrates for the kings of the East (**Revelation 16:12**)!

11:45 – The Stage is Set for the Final Battle: _____

Revelation 16:16 – “And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.”

