

# Lesson Five



## **Not even evil rulers can get in the way of God's Eternal Plan**

The world stage is set for the time of the end, and the alignment of the nations is in place. So believers should get their hearts right, live purely and work productively for the Lord, and unbelievers should make certain they are prepared to meet God.

# Overview of Lesson Five

## I. The time of Jacob's Trouble

- *A time, times, and an half*

## II. Chronicle of Christ-less kings

- *Ahasueras – Persia*
- *Alexander the Great – Greece*
- *Antiochus the Great*
- *Antiochus Epiphanes*
- *Antichrist*

## III. Alignment of nations

# Follow Along Outline

## The time of Jacob's trouble

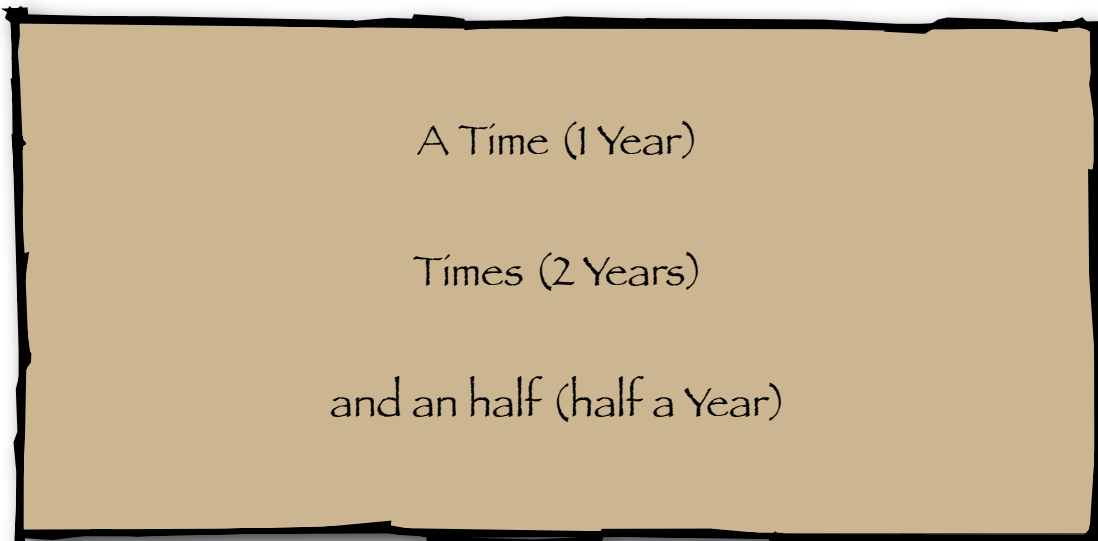
- ▶ In the second half of the Tribulation there will be terrible judgments upon the earth
  - The \_\_\_\_\_ judgments
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  - Persecution of the most high saints will be intense.
  - Knowledge of \_\_\_\_\_ and through Jesus Christ will increase.
  - God will protect the Jewish people in \_\_\_\_\_ during this time of judgment.

...a time of trouble, such as never was since there  
was a nation...

at that time thy people shall be delivered, every  
one that shall be found written in the book.

*"A time, times, and an half" - Daniel 12:7*

- ▶ This equals 3.5 years - that is the last half of the Tribulation period.
  
- ▶ It refers to the time of Jacob's trouble, also called the Great Tribulation.
  
- ▶ These are Jewish years, which are 360 days.
  - 1260 days
  
  - 42 months.



A Time (1 Year)  
Times (2 Years)  
and an half (half a Year)

## Chronicle of Christ-less kings

- ▶ The heavenly visitor describes five personalities to Daniel. Here is where we have the alignment of the nations. In Ezekiel 5:5 we see that God placed Jerusalem "*in the midst of the nations and countries that are round about her.*"
  
- ▶ Ahasueras, king of \_\_\_\_\_. - *Daniel 11:2 and Esther 1:1*
  - He controlled from India all the way to Spain.
  
- ▶ Alexander the Great, king of \_\_\_\_\_. - *Daniel 11:3.*
  - He is that leopard with four wings and four heads, the belly of brass.
  - Verses 5 and 6 speak of the king of the south and king of the north, (all direction is based from the city of Jerusalem). \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
  
- ▶ Antiochus the Great - *Daniel 11:10-20*
  
- ▶ Antiochus Epiphanes – a cruel, Jew hating Syrian king who desecrated the temple in \_\_\_\_\_ - *Daniel 11:21-35, Matthew 24:15*
  
- ▶ Antichrist – *Daniel 11:36-45*
  - He will do according to his will, exalt himself, magnify himself above every god, and rule and prosper - *Daniel 11:36-37*
  - Lusts after power, riches, and pleasure. - *Daniel 11:38*

## Alignment of Nations - *Daniel 11:40-45*

- ▶ Antichrist will defend Israel by defeating Syria, and Egypt - *Daniel 11:40-41*
- ▶ From 36 - 45 the words "he", "him", and "his" refer to Antichrist
- ▶ Who escapes his harm? Edom, Moab and Ammon, Three Biblical names for modern day Jordan. The location of \_\_\_\_\_.
- ▶ Ethiopia and Libya are at his heels - *Daniel 11:42-43*
- ▶ Tidings from the east and north trouble him - *Daniel 11:44*
- ▶ In Ezekiel 38:5, 6 we find Ethiopia, Libya, Russia, modern day Turkey and Persia (modern day Iran).
- ▶ Israel is attacked from all directions, north, east, south, and west.
- ▶ These nations are ready to attack Israel, today.
- ▶ This will happen when Israel least suspects it - when they dwell safely in the "*land of unwalled villages*" - *Ezekiel 38:8, 11* During the first 3.5 years of the Tribulation
- ▶ Antichrist defends Israel, but it is Jesus Christ who truly protects them, Antichrist takes the credit.
- ▶ Antichrist then commands the Jews to rebuild their Temple. - *Daniel 11:45*

## CONCLUSION

We should use the truth that we gained from God's prophetic word to determine where we are in God's timeline of events, as Daniel did in Daniel 9:2.

As we anticipate the coming of Christ, may we make certain we are prepared to meet God, living pure and working productively until Christ does come.

Take the Word of God as my dear friends study it, allow it to challenge the people of God knowing better the plan of God to be willing to move into the will of God for the Glory of God.

Let's keep looking up...Until!

# Think About This!

1. What is meant by the phrase “the time of Jacob’s trouble”?
2. Who are two of the five Christ-less kings?
3. Whom does the "he" refer to in Daniel 11:36-45?
4. What are some of the nations that will align themselves against Israel in the Last Days?
5. Who orders the rebuilding of the next Jewish Temple?



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God bless you, and thanks once again for choosing to study with us the ever closer scenario for the End Times that is laid out in God's prophetic Word. Remember, the Rapture of the Church could take place at any moment, so let's keep looking up... Until.

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