

## **“The Time Of The End” Part 3**

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Last week we studied that at the “Time Of The End” that borders would collapse. There is also going to be a 10 nation coalition led by the antichrist. Then, there will be kings from the north and kings from the south who come up against the antichrist and God’s Word says that the Euphrates River is going to dry up in order for that to take place.

We went through the different empires in history which confirms the Word and the Word confirms history, and we went over the Roman Empire, the Byzantine Empire were was predominantly Christian. Then the Ottoman Empire which ruled that area from 1517 to 1917.

We concluded with the final 2 empires mentioned in here in Revelation.

### **Revelation 17:10-14 King James Version (KJV)**

*10 And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.*

*11 And the beast ( this is the system of the antichrist) that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, (meaning the 8th empire) and is of the seven,( meaning he comes out of one of the 7 prophetic empires that we just named -which is either Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Persia, Greece or Rome) and goeth into perdition. (which is destruction)*

*12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.*

*13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.*

*14 These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.*

**Revelation 17:10-14 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*10 And they are also seven kings, five of whom have fallen, one still exists [and is reigning]; the other [the seventh] has not yet appeared, and when he does arrive, he must stay [but] a brief time.*

*11 And as for the beast that [once] was, but now is no more, he [himself] is an eighth ruler (king, head), but he is of the seven and belongs to them, and he goes to perdition.*

*12 Also the ten horns that you observed are ten rulers (kings) who have as yet received no royal dominion, but together they are to receive power and authority as rulers for a single hour, along with the beast.*

*13 These have one common policy (opinion, purpose), and they deliver their power and authority to the beast.*

*14 They will wage war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will triumph over them; for He is Lord of lords and King of kings—and those with Him and on His side are chosen and called [elected] and loyal and faithful followers.*



These 2 empires will only be in power for a short time. One will be called the 7th empire for a short time and then the 8th empire will come from one of the previous 7 empires in bible prophecy/history.

That 8th empire will rule for 42 months. So one empire has total control for the first 42 months and the the next empire has total control for the last 42 months.

Tonight we are picking up right where we left off at... proving we are in the...“The Last Days”, “Time Of The End”, “End Times”.

John wrote here in Revelation that 5 kings have fallen.

**Revelation 17:10 King James Version (KJV)**

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**Revelation 17:10 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*10 And they are also seven kings, five of whom have fallen, one still exists [and is reigning]; the other [the seventh] has not yet appeared, and when he does arrive, he must stay [but] a brief time.*

Most scholars traditionally look at this and they say that these are 5 empires that were non-existent in John’s day.

## **5 Empires Non-Existent In John's Day**

- o Egyptian Empire
- o Assyrian Empire
- o Babylonian Empire
- o Media-Persian Empire
- o Grecian Empire

After Greece, came Rome. Now, watch this, John said that in his day there was a kingdom or empire that was...

### **Revelation 17:11 King James Version (KJV)**

*11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.*

### **Revelation 17:11 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*11 And as for the beast that [once] was, but now is no more, he [himself] is an eighth ruler (king, head), but he is of the seven and belongs to them, and he goes to perdition.*

That kingdom was Rome. Rome was ruling John's day. In fact, the apostle Paul was beheaded in Rome, the apostle Peter was beheaded in Rome. John was arrested and put on the Isle of Patmos because of the Roman Emperor.

**Revelation 1:9 King James Version (KJV)**

*9 I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.*

**Revelation 1:9 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*9 I, John, your brother and companion (sharer and participator) with you in the tribulation and kingdom and patient endurance [which are] in Jesus Christ, was on the isle called Patmos, [banished] on account of [my witnessing to] the Word of God and the testimony (the proof, the evidence) for Jesus Christ.*

Rome was ruling the kings of the earth in John's day, so that is Empire 6. The question is, what is the 7th empire that will continue for a short space or short period of time?

There are 3 beliefs or theories that people have had over the years about the 7th empire.

## Theories Of The Seventh Empire

1. Turkish Empire - killed millions of Christians.



This was also referred to as the Ottoman Empire. The Ottoman Turks/Empire ruled for 400 years from 1517 till 1917 (we learned about this last week). Millions of Christians were killed and 1.5 million were killed in Romania alone. Some believe that was the 7th empire.

## Theories Of The Seventh Empire

### 2. Germany/Third Reich - killed millions of Jews.



Others believe it was Germany and the Third Reich. Germany fought in World War 1 and World War 2. Adolf Hitler would have taken over most of Europe if it hadn't been for the allied forces. You and I might all be speaking German had D Day not effectively worked.

*Note: In the military, D-Day is the day on which a combat attack or operation is to be initiated. The best known D-Day is June 6, 1944, the day of the Normandy landings. It initiated the Western Allied effort to liberate mainland Europe from Nazi occupation during World War II.*

Some say this was the 7th empire because Hitler killed 6 million Jewish people and that was the empire that continued for a short space or short time.

## Theories Of The Seventh Empire

### 3. E.U. (European Union) - Roman Empire territory



Others, especially today, think that the European Union, which unites a lot of Europe under the geography of the old Roman Empire has to be the fulfillment of the 7th empire that continues for a short space.

We are not going to go into detail on these 3 theories, but what I'm going to do is share with you out of one of the 7 empires of prophecy comes empire number 8 which is the empire of the antichrist.

What I'm going to do is give you 5 facts concerning the empire of the antichrist.

### **Facts Regarding The Empire Of The AntiChrist**

#### **1. 10 kings will surrender their nations in one hour**

##### **Revelation 17:12-13 King James Version (KJV)**

*12 And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast.*

*13 These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.*

##### **Revelation 17:12-13 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*12 Also the ten horns that you observed are ten rulers (kings) who have as yet received no royal dominion, but together they are to receive power and authority as rulers for a single hour, along with the beast.*

*13 These have one common policy (opinion, purpose), and they deliver their power and authority to the beast.*

There is going to come 10 kings, and they come to power first before the antichrist takes them over. This is very important that you understand that - they are in power first because this little horn in Daniel rises up amongst those 10 horns.

**Daniel 7:8 King James Version (KJV)**

*8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.*

**Daniel 7:8 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*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.*

There will be 10 kings who are going to give their kingdoms or nations to the antichrist in one hour.

**Facts Regarding The Empire Of The AntiChrist**

**2. These kings will submit and help destroy a city**

These 10 kings submit and will help destroy a city in one hour.

**Revelation 18:15-16 King James Version (KJV)**

*15 The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,*

*16 And saying, Alas, alas that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!*

**Revelation 18:15-16 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*15 The dealers who handled these articles, who grew wealthy through their business with her, will stand a long way off, in terror of her doom and torment, weeping and grieving aloud, and saying,*

*16 Alas, alas for the great city that was robed in fine linen, in purple and scarlet, bedecked and glittering with gold, with precious stones, and with pearls!*

Here this city ruling over the world is mystery Babylon. The city ruling over the world in Jesus' day, was Rome, Italy.

Most people believe that the false prophet spoken of by John in Revelation 13:11-18 representing a lamb with 2 horns....

**Revelation 13:11-18 King James Version (KJV)**

*11 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.*

**Revelation 13:11 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*11 Then I saw another beast rising up out of the land [itself]; he had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke (roared) like a dragon.*

John said that there would be a lamb with horns rising up from out of the earth and he is a false prophet. I believe that these 2 horns could represent Islam and a form of apostate Christianity.

John also sees a 7 headed beast with 10 horns rising up from out of the sea in Revelation 13:1.

**Revelation 13:1 King James Version (KJV)**

*13 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.*

**Revelation 13:1 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*13 [As] I stood on the sandy beach, I saw a beast coming up out of the sea with ten horns and seven heads. On his horns he had ten royal crowns (diadems) and blasphemous titles (names) on his heads.*

When these 10 kings give their kingdoms over to the antichrist and to the beast, then, this is really important, they will eventually destroy a city in one hour. (Revelation 17).

That city is Rome, because Rome was the city ruling over the kings of the earth. So, the false prophet, which many Catholics believe will be a defective pope, will move the headquarters from Rome to the city of Jerusalem for the last 42 months of the Tribulation period.

It's interesting to note that Muslims believe that when their mahdi (their enlightened one) their last leader who will rise, will unite the world under a caliphate under Islam. Then, when he comes to power, Isa (which is the name for Jesus in their language), will come with him and destroy the swine and tear down the crosses. He will tell the people he was not the son of God and he will point all worship to Islam forcing all people to join the Islamic religion.

**Revelation 17:16-17 King James Version (KJV)**

*16 And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.*

*17 For God hath put in their hearts to fulfill his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.*

**Revelation 17:16-17 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*16 And the ten horns that you saw, they and the beast will [be the very ones to] hate the harlot (the idolatrous woman); they will make her cheerless (bereaved, desolate), and they will strip her and eat up her flesh and utterly consume her with fire.*

*17 For God has put it into their hearts to carry out His own purpose by acting in harmony in surrendering their royal power and authority to the beast, until the prophetic words (intentions and promises) of God shall be fulfilled.*

Once again these 10 kings will destroy a city in one hour.

## **Facts Regarding The Empire Of The AntiChrist**

### **3. These 10 kings and the antichrist will control their economy.**

They will control the economy, especially in their part of the world in the last 42 months of the Tribulation.

#### **Revelation 13:16-18 King James Version (KJV)**

*16 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:*

*17 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.*

*18 Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.*

#### **Revelation 13:16-18 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*16 Also he compels all [alike], both small and great, both the rich and the poor, both free and slave, to be marked with an inscription [stamped] on their right hands or on their foreheads,*

*17 So that no one will have power to buy or sell unless he bears the stamp (mark, inscription), [that is] the name of the beast or the number of his name.*

*18 Here is [room for] discernment [a call for the wisdom of interpretation]. Let anyone who has intelligence (penetration and insight enough) calculate the number of the beast, for it is a human number [the number of a certain man]; his number is 666.*

We have studied the mark and what it represents. It will be in the right hand or on the forehead and you will not be able to buy or sell unless you have the Mark of the Beast, name of the beast or the number of his name.

People have speculated for centuries, what does that mean and what does that represent. How can you purchase in someone's name? How can you purchase with a number? (We know how that is done!)

These 10 kings and the antichrist will set up a buying system, buying and selling only if you are in their religion. You will not eat unless you convert to their religion and if you don't convert you will be beheaded.

This is very hard for most people to even think about. How can this happen in our modern day society? All you have to do is take a look at what is happening around the world and this will all come together.

### **Facts Regarding The Empire Of The AntiChrist**

- 4. They will assault Jews, seize Jerusalem and behead enemies.**

This kingdom, or coalition will assault the Jewish people, take over Jerusalem, and behead their enemies.

**Revelation 20:4 King James Version (KJV)**

*4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.*

**Revelation 20:4 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*4 Then I saw thrones, and sitting on them were those to whom authority to act as judges and to pass sentence was entrusted. Also I saw the souls of those who had been slain with axes [beheaded] for their witnessing to Jesus and [for preaching and testifying] for the Word of God, and who had refused to pay homage to the beast or his statue and had not accepted his mark or permitted it to be stamped on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived again and ruled with Christ (the Messiah) a thousand years.*

**Zechariah 14:2 King James Version (KJV)**

*2 For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.*

**Zechariah 14:2 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*2 For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle, and the city shall be taken and the houses rifled and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go into exile, but the rest of the people shall not be cut off from the city.*

One of the reasons the antichrist will invade the city of Jerusalem is because there are 2 witnesses there. They are preaching with such power - they can send plagues, judgement, call down fire from heaven etc.

**Revelation 11:7-11 King James Version (KJV)**

*7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.*

*8 And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.*

*9 And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.*

*10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.*

*11 And after three days and an half the spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.*

**Revelation 11:7-11 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

*7 But when they have finished their testimony and their evidence is all in, the beast (monster) that comes up out of the Abyss (bottomless pit) will wage war on them, and conquer them and kill them.*

8 *And their dead bodies [will lie exposed] in the open street ([a]a public square) of the great city which is in a spiritual sense called [by the mystical and allegorical names of] Sodom and Egypt, where also their Lord was crucified.*

9 *For three and a half days men from the races and tribes and languages and nations will gaze at their dead bodies and will not allow them to be put in a tomb.*

10 *And those who dwell on the earth will gloat and exult over them and rejoice exceedingly, taking their ease and sending presents [in congratulation] to one another, because these two prophets had been such a vexation and trouble and torment to all the dwellers on the earth.*

11 *But after three and a half days, by God's gift the breath of life again entered into them, and they rose up on their feet, and great dread and terror fell on those who watched them.*

The antichrist, by invading Jerusalem and killing the 2 witnesses (which one is definitely Elijah and the other which I believe is Enoch - but some say it is Moses - that is a debate for another time) is when the antichrist becomes a hero among the Muslim people. So, that is where he sets up his headquarters in the last 42 months of the Tribulation.

**Daniel 11:45 King James Version (KJV)**

45 *And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas **in the glorious holy mountain;** yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.*

**Daniel 11:45 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

45 And he shall pitch his palatial tents between the seas **and the glorious holy Mount [Zion]**; yet he shall come to his end with none to help him.

**Daniel 12:7 King James Version (KJV)**

7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and sware by him that liveth for ever that **it shall be for a time, times, and an half;** and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

**Daniel 12:7 Amplified Bible (AMP)**

7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, when he held up his right and his left hand toward the heavens and swore by Him Who lives forever **that it shall be for a time, times, and a half a time [or three and one-half years];** and when they have made an end of shattering and crushing the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

## Facts Regarding The Empire Of The AntiChrist

5. **He (the antichrist) will change times and laws for 3 1/2 years.**

### Daniel 7:25 King James Version (KJV)

*25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change **times and laws**: and they shall be given into his hand until a **time and times and the dividing of time**.*

### Daniel 7:25 Amplified Bible (AMP)

*25 And he shall speak words against the Most High [God] and shall wear out the saints of the Most High and think to **change the time [of sacred feasts and holy days] and the law**; and the saints shall be given into his hand for **a time, two times, and half a time [three and one-half years]**.*

Lets look at it this way, if an Islamic caliphate came to power anywhere in the world, if they came to rule over western nations or more civilized/established nations, then we have to ask ourselves, what would it mean to change “times and laws”?

The first thing a Muslim leader would do is:

- a. **Force a change of religion and day of worship**

He would force everyone to worship on Friday (note: currently Saturday is the day of worship for the Jews and Sunday is the day of worship for the traditional Christian). So they would all be forced to worship on Friday and it would be their religion.

### **b. Change to an Islamic calendar**

The Islamic calendar began in 622 AD and it is a different calendar than what we use. When you look at the words “times and laws”(Daniel 7:25) in the Aramaic it can mean change religion and the timing of the calendar or changing the calendar listing the times.

### **c. Implement Sharia Law**

Now, in the news and many times during our current events prior to the bible study, we have talked about how Muslims want to implement Sharia Law in Iraq or Syria and in other parts of the world including the United States. Sharia Law are laws that are strictly regulated according to Islamic law. If a person, for example, is under sharia law and they are not a Muslim, they are forced to pay a tax to the Muslim leaders.

These are the things we see from Daniel that are predicted about this last man who is coming and the last kingdom. I can see how this fits into an Islamic scenario, where an Islamic leader takes over all this part of the world and forces a tax.

You might say, “Well, people don’t have to listen to that or pay that tax”...remember, there is going to be people running around with weapons beheading people, they have weapons of mass destruction, chemical weapons, people are going to submit. It’s important to remember that Islam has never conquered through peace, it has always been by sword, guns, weapons etc. Look at what ISIS is doing, this is wiping people out with all forms of weapons and beheading people, that is how they conquer.

They are not going to ask, “Would you please convert to what we believe?” No, if they don’t convert to their religion they are killed. That is taking place all over the world right now. Now, it is really easy to convert to any religion with a gun to your head, so it is a fact that the Islamic religion has been a violent one throughout its history.

Now, there have been a few times throughout history when Islamic leaders have gotten along with the Jews and Christian leaders, but I’m talking about history as a whole. There has always been an element that has been more fanatical and more radical towards other people and non-tolerant of any other religion.

