

In both the Old and New Testament we are told of a person that shall be revealed in the Last Days.

Powerpoint Slide - He is described under different names and it is only by a careful examination and comparison of these names, and the Person they describe that we see they refer to one and the same individual. These names are...

In the Old Testament

Isaiah 14:4 – King of Babylon

Isaiah 14:14 - Lucifer

Daniel 7:8, 8:9 The Little Horn

Daniel 8:23 – A King of Fierce Countenance

Daniel 9:26 The Prince that shall come

Daniel 11:36 – The Wilful King

In the New Testament

2 Thessalonians 2:3-8

Son of Perdition

That Wicked

1 John 2:18 – Antichrist

Revelation 13:1 – The Beast

Jesus also made a prophetic reference to him... **John 5:43 I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another comes in his own name, him you will receive.**

The Jews rejected Jesus as their Messiah, when the Antichrist comes they will accept him.

Powerpoint Slide - The word “antichrist” means “in opposition to or in place of Christ.”

Some claims that the Antichrist is a system but God’s word proves that it is a person.

1 John 2:22 Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son.

1 John 4:3 and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world.

Satan is the God of this world. **Powerpoint Slide** **2 Corinthians 4:4 whose minds the god of this age (world) has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them.** As God sent His Son (Jesus) into the world, so Satan shall send Antichrist into the world.

The Mystery of Godliness is God manifest in the flesh... **1 Tim 3:16 And without controversy great is the mystery of godliness: God was manifested in the flesh, Justified in the Spirit, Seen by angels, Preached among the Gentiles, Believed on in the world, received up in glory.**

Satan will see to it that the Antichrist has all that Christ has... **2 Thessalonians 2:7 For the mystery of lawlessness is already at work; only He who now restrains will do so until He is taken out of the way.**

Powerpoint Slide - Satanic Trinity:

1. The Dragon – the Anti-God
2. The Beast – The Anti-Christ
3. The false prophet – The Anti-Spirit

Powerpoint Slide - The Antichrist is not a Rival or Counterfeit Christ, he is an opposing Christ.

Let’s compare Christ to the Antichrist.

1. Christ came from Above. John 6:38
Antichrist ascends from the pit. Revelation 11:7
2. Christ came in His Father’s name. John 5:43
Antichrist comes in his own name. John 5:43
3. Christ humbled Himself. Philippians 2:8
Antichrist exalts himself. 2 Thessalonians 2:4
4. Christ despised. Isaiah 53:3
Antichrist admired Revelation 13:3,4
5. Christ to do His Father’s will John 6:38
Antichrist to do his own will. Daniel 11:36
6. Christ came to save. Luke 19:10
Antichrist come to destroy. Daniel 8:24
7. Christ is the Good Shepherd. John 10:4-15
Antichrist is the Idol (evil) Shepherd. Zechariah 11:16,17
8. Christ is the true vine. John 15:1
Antichrist is the vine of the earth. Revelation 14:18

9. Christ is the truth. John 14:6

Antichrist is the lie. 2 Thessalonians 2:11

10. Christ is the Holy one. Mark 1:24

Antichrist is the lawless one. 2 Thessalonians 2:8

11. Christ is the Son of God. Luke 1:35

Antichrist is the Son of Perdition. 2 Thessalonians 2:3

12. Christ will have a bride, the church Ephesians 5:25-27

Antichrist will have a bride, the mystery Harlot church. Revelation 17:1-16 (4-5)

Christ earthly ministry lasted three and a half years.

Antichrist shall reign for three and a half years.

In Daniel 7:8, 8:9 it was revealed that the Little Horn, or Antichrist, should come out of one of the Four Horns (Four Kingdoms) that took the place of the Large Horn on the head of the He-goat.

Daniel 7:8 I was considering the horns, and there was another horn, a little one, coming up among them, before whom three of the first horns were plucked out by the roots. And there, in this horn, were eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking pompous words

Daniel 8:9 And out of one of them came a little horn which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the Glorious Land.

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The First Kingdom – Babylon

The Second Kingdom – Medo-Persia

The Third Kingdom – Greece

The Fourth Kingdom – Roman Empire

In Daniel chapter 7, is a prophecy where it deals with these beasts that come up out of the sea. The fourth of these four beasts is the antichrist. **Powerpoint Slide –**

In the Book of Daniel, God tries to give the history of God's people in the battle between the kingdom of God and the kingdoms of the world, and He gives it in a number of visions. Daniel chapter 2, it's given in the vision of a metal man, head of gold is Babylon, arms are Medo-Persia, and this is all explained in--in the prophecy, the belly bronze is Greece, the legs of iron are Rome, the feet of iron and clay represent the divisions of the Roman Empire. And then a stone comes, the rock of Ages, Jesus, destroys this idol and fills the whole earth. Bible says the knowledge of the Lord will fill the whole earth.

Daniel 7 verse 2, "And Daniel spoke saying, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up a great sea." "And four great beast(s) came up from the sea, each different form the other. The first was like," A lion, and he had eagle's wings and I watched till its wings are plucked off, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made a stand upon two feet like a man, and a man's heart was given to it

"Then suddenly another beast, second, like a bear, it raised itself up on one side, and had three ribs in its mouth between its teeth, and they said thus to it, arise, devour much flesh. After this I looked, and behold, there was another, like a leopard, which had on his back four wings of a bird, and the beast also had four heads; and dominion was given to it. And after this," here's the fourth beast, the antichrist power, "a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, exceedingly strong, that had huge iron teeth," don't forget the iron, "it was devouring, breaking in pieces, and trampling the residue with its feet. It was different from all the beast(s) that were before it, and had ten horns." Just like the metal image had ten toes.

"I was considering the horns, and there came up another little horn among the ten and coming up before whom three of the first ones were plucked up by the roots. And there was in this horn the eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth speaking great and pompous words."

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In Daniel 7 he is talking to the angel. He wants to know a lot more it says he was especially concerned about the fourth beast. And he said in **verse 19, "I wish to know the truth about the fourth beast,"** because this one it says is going to persecute the saints. **And verse 23, "The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom on the earth,** which will be different from all the other kingdoms, it will devour the whole earth, trample it, break it in pieces."

"The ten horns are ten kings who will arise from this kingdom, and another shall arise after them. He'll be different from the first ones, he'll subdue three kings, and he'll speak blasphemous words, against, "the Most High.

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He'll persecute the saints of the Most High, he will intend, he will think to change times and laws. **Then in Daniel 7:25 the saints will be given into his hand for a time, and a times and half a time.**" Which is 3 ½ years.

Daniel might know in which one of these Four Kingdoms the little horn, or Antichrist should arise, 15 years after his vision of the Ram and He-goat the Lord gave him a third vision, that of two kings, the King of the North and the King of the South Daniel 11:1-45.

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The terms "North" and "South" are applied to Syria and Egypt because of their geographic relation to Palestine (the pleasant or glorious land, Daniel 8:9; 11:16,41).

We are to understand therefore by the "King of the North" the king of Syria, which also included Assyria. This fixes the locality from which the Antichrist will come, for we read in...

Isaiah 10:12 Therefore it shall come to pass, when the Lord has performed all His work on Mount Zion and on Jerusalem, that He will say, "I will punish the fruit of the arrogant heart of the king of Assyria (Antichrist), and the glory of his haughty looks."

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Isaiah 14:25 That I will break the Assyrian (Antichrist) in My land, And on My mountains tread him underfoot. Then his yoke shall be removed from them, And his burden removed from their shoulders.

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The Antichrist, therefore, in all probability will be a Syrian Jew, for it is not likely that the Jews will accept as their Messiah one who is not likely that the Jews will accept as their Messiah one who is not a Jew.

This, however, does not prevent the Antichrist being a Roman citizen, and a king of the revived Roman Empire, for Saul of Tarsus was both a Jew and a Roman citizen.

The Antichrist is to be a King and rule over a Kingdom. He will accept the Kingdoms of this world that Satan offered Christ, and then Christ refused. Matthew 4:8-10. He will also exalt himself, and claim to be God. 2 Thessalonians 2:4.

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But the false Prophet is not a King, He does not exalt himself, he exalts the first beast (Antichrist). His relation to the first beast is the same as the Holy Spirit's relation to Christ. His bases is the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast. He also has power to give life, and in this he imitates the Holy Spirit. And as the followers of Christ are sealed by the Holy Spirit until the Day of Redemption (Ephesians 4:30) so the followers of Antichrist will be sealed by the false prophet until the Day of Perdition. Revelation 13:16-17

The 1,260 days begins when the Antichrist stands in the Temple and declares himself to be God. (Matthew. 24:15-21 "Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand), 16 "then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. 17 Let him who is on the housetop not go down to take anything out of his house. 18 And let him who is in the field not go back to get his clothes. 19 But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! 20 And pray that your flight may not be in winter or on the Sabbath. 21 For **THEN** there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be.