

Into the 21st century, the belief that gods ruled over the nations on earth has been mythicized and yet, the great battle the All-Mighty God continues to fight and prove from the time of creation on earth into the present is that there is only one All-Mighty God and that Great and All-Powerful God is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob.

God's biggest challenge being a spiritual, eternal being of energy was in ancient times, proving to the nations on earth that the gods that All-Mighty God Himself gave to be rulers over the nations, turned against Him and demanded the people of the nations to worship them. Deceiving them, they led the people back into sin. Before the people, these fallen gods claimed to be creators; they professed to be all-knowing; they lied about the future and they wielded might as if they were all-powerful.

The story in the book of Daniel provides insight into what the ancient civilizations understood about the spiritual world and their return in the future to bring the war in heaven to earth. It will be a time like no other, nor ever to be again.

Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah are introduced immediately as leading characters in the book of Daniel. They introduce King Nebuchadnezzar to the All-Mighty God, the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob. It may seem shocking that God, King over the house of Judah would allow King Nebuchadnezzar to be successful in destroying Jerusalem, God's theological centre on earth. Even the Jews were astonished that despite their continual sinning, their God would allow the overthrow of the most important city on earth. They knew their heavenly King is the All-Mighty God, yet, they fell into a state of careless disrespect for their King. This is a common mistake when mankind lacks God's Holy Spirit and thinking is governed solely by the inferior and often carnal spirit of man.

The All-Mighty God declared Himself King over the descendants of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob at the time of Babel [though Abraham was not born for another 200+ years] and He gave the members of His court in heaven kingship over the nations on earth (Deuteronomy 32:8-9).

"The Most High assigned nations their lands; he determined where peoples should live. He assigned to each nation a heavenly being, but the LORD's portion is His people, Jacob His allotted inheritance" (Deuteronomy 32:8-9).

God participated in this project with the members of His heavenly court to be a guide working with them. They were highly trained and skilful members—experts in His law and renown in heaven. As God builds the perfect government for His eternal, holy, royal, ruling family in-themaking, He gave these sons the opportunity to prove their leadership and develop even further. Unfortunately, power can be toxic. All of the sons of God awarded kingship over the nations have rebelled against All-Mighty God. During their reign over the nations, they interacted in varying degrees with the leaders and people on earth. It is understandable that the nations became confused.

When King Nebuchadnezzar sought to understand his dream, he asked the astrologers in Babylon to tell him the dream and the interpretation. Impossible for humans, the astrologers replied, "No one can reveal it to the king except the gods, and **they do not live among men**" (Daniel 2:11). They all understood that the heavenly rulers over the nations do not live on earth.

These fallen heavenly rulers exude great power compared to human abilities. The ancient people feared these heavenly rulers and they suffered when the gods became angry. From the abusive leadership, confusion and deceit covered the earth again. The people in the nations could not distinguish who was the All-Mighty God when so many other gods with great power declared themselves to be the Great God.

It is no wonder that God warned His people, "You shall have **no other gods before me**" (Exodus 20:2) and "**Do not make any gods to be alongside me**; do not make for yourselves **gods** of silver or **gods** of gold" (Exodus 20:23).

King Nebuchadnezzar was the head of gold of the magnificent statue in his dream. While God's people were in captivity, both houses—the northern house subservient to the king of Assyria taken into captivity years earlier and the southern house brought into captivity by King Nebuchadnezzar, God Almighty was at work teaching this world leader about the one and only true Great Creator and Almighty Force in existence.

After Daniel told King Nebuchadnezzar his dream and interpreted it, the king said, "Surely your God is the God of gods and the Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries, for you were able to reveal this mystery" (Daniel 2:47).

This revelation was declared to the whole world when Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were thrown into the fiery furnace. King Nebuchadnezzar saw a fourth individual "walking around in the fire, unbound and unharmed" he declared, "the fourth looks like a son of the gods" (Daniel 3:25). How would King Nebuchadnezzar know what a "son of the gods" would look like, unless he has an understanding of the visual differences between mortals and spirit beings. King Nebuchadnezzar later refers to this "son of the gods" as an angel. "Praise be to the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who has sent his angel and rescued his servants!" (Daniel 3:28)

This angel was none other than the future Saviour of God's people and all of mankind. He is the rock that will strike the statue in King Nebuchadnezzar's dream, crush it and completely destroy it and establish the eternal, righteous kingdom of God.

King Nebuchadnezzar recognized the great power needed to rescue Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego.

"Therefore, I make a decree: Any people, nation, or language that speaks anything against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be torn limb from limb, and their houses laid in ruins, for there is **no other god who is able to rescue in this way**" (Daniel 3:29).

This was the great revelation that the All-Mighty and All-Powerful God is declaring. There is no one like Him; there are no sons in heaven like Him.

Moses said, "There is none like the God of Jeshurun, who rides the heavens to your help, and through the skies in His majesty" (Deuteronomy 33:26).

And again, "O Lord, the God of Israel, there is no God like You in heaven above or on earth beneath, keeping covenant and showing loving-kindness to Your servants who walk before You with all their heart" (I Kings 8:23).

The honour of being the head of gold of the magnificent statue was awarded to King Nebuchadnezzar because he acknowledged the absolute supremacy of the God of the Hebrews. After a series of humbling lessons, the distinction between sons of god and the Great God was undeniable and King Nebuchadnezzar decreed after living for seven years like a bird with feathers of an eagle and nails like claws eating grass like cattle. He said that the God of the Hebrews' "dominion is an eternal dominion; his kingdom endures from generation to generation. All the peoples of the earth are regarded as nothing. He does as he pleases with the powers of heaven and the peoples of the earth. No one can hold back his hand and say to him: 'What have you done?'" King Nebuchadnezzar added, "Everything He does is right and all His ways are just. And those who walk in pride He is able to humble" (Daniel 4:34b-35, 37b).

The Babylonians under the reign of King Nebuchadnezzar knew the Great God; they knew He gives His Holy Spirit to people that He chooses. The Queen Mother understood the value of being gifted with God's Holy Spirit that gives special, heavenly knowledge, understanding and

wisdom. After the finger of God wrote on the wall, the grandson of Nebuchadnezzar, King Belshazzar whose name means 'Bel protect the king', became terrified. He had chosen a different god for protection and had forgotten the Great God his grandfather had come to know. None of his spiritual advisors could understand or interpret the riddle. The Queen Mother advised her grandson to call for help from Daniel. She said, "There is a man in your kingdom who has the spirit of the holy gods in him. In the time of your father, he was found to have insight and intelligence and wisdom like that of the gods... This man Daniel, whom the king called Belteshazzar, was found to have a keen mind and knowledge and understanding, and also the ability to interpret dreams, explain riddles and solve difficult problems. Call for Daniel, and he will tell you what the writing means" (Daniel 5:11a, 12).

Daniel provided a history lesson to King Belshazzar of the lessons his grandfather learned. The failure of King Belshazzar to acknowledge the Supreme God and action of his pledge of allegiance to a fallen son of God [Bel], led the kingdom to being taken away. The god, Bel, was powerless to prevent the fall. "Mene, Mene, Tekel, Parsin 'This is what these words mean:

Mene: God has numbered the days of your reign a brought it to an end.

Tekel: You have been weighed on the scales and found wanting,

Peres/Parsin: Your kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians'" (Daniel 5:25-28).

That night the great Babylonian empire was given to the Medes and Persians.



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The God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob is supreme. He only can give and take away kingdoms. Some heavenly rulers may believe that it is through their own strength that they have overpowered nations and expanded their reign, but these rulers are mistaken. God uses aggressive and power-hungry leaders to punish weaker rebel leaders. God said to the powerful heavenly ruler over Assyria who boasted of his military accomplishments, "Have you not heard? Long ago I ordained it. In days of old I planned it; now I have brought it to pass, that you have turned fortified cities into piles of stone" (Isaiah 37:26). God used the arrogant heavenly ruler over Assyria to accomplish His work.

The magnificent statue in King Nebuchadnezzar's dream remains upright to this day. The grab for world dominance has continued into the 21st century. Many world organizations peppered in all areas of society are working together to steal world dominance from unsuspecting and weaker sovereign countries. The dazzling statue of Daniel is today nothing but an ungodly and lawless iron structure with leaders working to enslave mankind under their oppressive rule. The feet of iron and clay provide a picture of the lack of respect, support and honour the awaken people have toward the crafty and evil handiwork of their wicked leaders. The people are waking up and they will rebel. Previously, the ordinary people were kept from knowing the truth, hence the people obeyed their leaders and the iron grip remained in force. The printing press broke the barrier and the internet has opened the flood-gates for information to flow freely.

Alternative media provides the platform for truth. God's people are waking up. A great religious revival will soon explode and truth will flow like a rushing river. God's people will stand up against their iron leaders causing weaknesses in the structure that stood since the rise of Babylon when God gave them worldwide, superpower status. Since King Nebuchadnezzar's reign, the leadership deteriorated gradually into lawlessness. The saints will stand up against the final heavenly rulers imaged as the toes of the feet of the once magnificent statue in Daniel.

"As I watched this horn was waging war against the saints and defeating them them..." (Daniel 7:21). God is perfecting His saints while they are being defeated, but only for the set time, then they will receive the kingdom. This "little horn" who defeats the saints for a set time, is a master of intrigue. He is an expert strategist using trickery, cloaking and mystery to achieve his ultimate plan. He will claim to be mankind's saviour, but his plan is to destroy all mortals, even the hybrid-mortals who support them. The rise of this "little horn" remains still in the future.

The final reign of ten kings pictured as the ten toes of the statue in Daniel has not yet begun. The two legs of the statue in Daniel stem from the kingdom that rose up from Alexander the Great. After his premature death, his kingdom, as per his instructions, was given to the "strongest". This led his generals to war against each other, resulting in four rulers imaged as the four horns on the goat described in Daniel dividing the kingdom among themselves. But, after many conflicts, the kingdoms weakened and fragmented giving the rising Roman forces an easy grip. While Rome rose to take control, the Greek culture was absorbed into Roman life. The Romans adopted the Greek gods sustaining their power over the nations on earth. In time,

two general domains surfaced: east and west forming the two legs of the statue in King Nebuchadnezzar's dream.

When Jesus said that what is coming on earth will be like no other time, he was describing a terrifying and horrific rebel angelic-led war on earth. Initially, their arrival may appear to be a saving rescue led by ten spirit kings ruling over the beastly coalition. Initially, they will not be completely wicked. They will reach their full measure of wickedness when the "little horn" comes to power. He overthrows three of the kings, the remaining seven submit to him and he rises to take full control. "In the latter part of their reign, when rebels have become completely wicked, a stern-faced king, a master of intrigue, will arise" (Daniel 8:23).

The use of intrigue is already at work. In use today are catchy clichés appearing to be the right thing to do, such as:

- **Social distancing** implies a friendly distance kept to prevent spreading contagious infections because you care for others, instead, it is an act to keep people separated.
- **Immunization passport** implies freedom to travel because you are healthy and free of harmful contagions, instead, it is a method to separate and identify those who refuse to follow government mandates.
- **15-minute cities and smart cities** implies ease for people, high-tech cities for fast and reliable communication, banking, and comfort, instead, it is designed to lock people into smaller communities where they can be controlled and monitored.
- **Global citizen** implies a belonging, an association globally with everyone on the planet as one big happy family, instead, it is designed to replace all sovereign God-given rights of people with the sole focus to enslave them.

During the reign of terror of the "little horn" who claims to be mankind's saviour the use of catchy clichés could be:

- **Universal liberator** implying freedom from a tyrant [the Almighty God], instead, it will be the cruelest capture of those who seek protection by the "little horn".
- Magisterial martyr implying an unjust death cloaked in selfless righteousness, instead, it will be an attempt to change God's sacrificial law where a defective and disfigured beast becomes an acceptable payment for sin. Compromise and white-washing are the strategies at play. Perfection will be viewed as impossible and unreasonable.
- Comfort and care applying a focus on all programs and structures designed in appearance to bring mankind under a stress-free lifestyle with no worries and owning nothing, instead, it will be full control of how and where people will live, when they will be programmed to die and their preassigned role and responsibilities on earth.
- **Rich shift** implying an opportunity for instant wealth by shifting into their trading model. Through Maritime Admiralty law, people are included in the corporation's commodities of trade that brings wealth and power to the CEOs of all key organizations. Maritime Admiralty law has no legal rights for humans because they are commodities in big business. The banking system today stems from Maritime law where, like a water-way, controls the flow of currency, like the current of a river. They determine expansion or

contraction of the money supply, like river banks that release or constrain water. Deposits in banks are washed away when management is reckless, greedy, and careless because of their changed rules of practice bringing unstable conditions like inflation, hyperinflation and depression eroding the original value of currency. This mirrors exactly the erosion that takes place when the flow of current is too much or too little, river banks collapse. The language used is intentional. Water is their sacred place. They have their own law: Maritime law. Banks are core to business making trading easy and viable, like shipping. The gold fringe on three sides of a flag is a legal notice that Maritime law holds jurisdiction in the domain where it is present. The courtroom displaying the flag with the gold fringe declares that space as a vessel, a foreign land's ship, which is subject to the jurisdiction and laws denoted by the flag present. It has the power to operate as if, on the high seas of Admiralty, "guilt-presumed" martial law. Under the power of corrupt lawyers, merchants and leaders, Marital law provides no legal rights to the people. It brings chaos, disorder and becomes a play-ground of lawlessness with a constant grab for power, authority and great wealth through trading.

Characteristic of Mystery Babylon is her incredible success in establishing world-wide trading. "O Babylon city of power (Revelation 18:10)... city filled with cargoes of gold, silver, precious stones and pearls; fine linen, purple, silk and scarlet cloth; every sort of citron wood, and articles of every kind made of ivory, costly wood, bronze, iron and marble; cargoes of cinnamon and spice, of incense, myrrh and frankincense, of wine and olive oil, of fine flour and wheat, cattle and sheep, horses and carriages; and bodies and souls of men" (Revelation 18:12-13). Such is the glorious description of Mystery Babylon. Yet, there is another city that cannot be overlooked; a city with a very long history of trading.

It is the very rich and powerful city situated at the gateway to the sea. It is a "merchant of peoples on many coasts" (Ezekiel 27:3)—the great city of Tyre, a city-center of great wealth.

God spoke of this great city located in heaven. "O Tyre," He said. "You say, I am perfect in beauty. Your domain was on the high seas, your builders brought your beauty to perfection" (Ezekiel 27:3). The builders chose the best of the best and built the finest and most robust ship on the sea (Ezekiel 27:5-11). They built a maritime city. "Your home is the seas" and "all the ships of the sea and their sailors came alongside to trade for your wares" (Ezekiel 27:4, 9).

It is no surprise that God identifies Satan's domain on the high seas where Maritime Admiralty law is enforced. Business and banking contracts operate under Maritime law, which have been the case for thousands of years. People living on the land use Common law. Those who engage in contracts with business people operating under Maritime law, will forego their Common law rights and come under Maritime law when they enter into contracts. All people who have a contract with a bank, often in the form of a mortgage (a death contract like a morgue) or a loan contract of some other type, have placed themselves under Maritime law and they have no Common law rights in regard to dispute resolution. On a larger scale, countries that borrow from banks have placed all of their citizens under Maritime law. Their people are the collateral of the lender who can trade them as they wish. The warning to read the fine print comes

directly from the unsuspecting who did not see the microscopic text forming a line on the contract, they signed.

The sea is the imagery God uses for the domain of Wickedness. When God creates a new heaven and new earth, there will be no sea—no domain for Wickedness (Revelation 21:1).

The "little horn" king operates under a different law to Almighty God. Named according to his location, Maritime law is all about business on the high seas where pirates steal, false flags fly, and treasure stolen from unsuspecting vessels. The "little horn" king will use intriguing tactics to entice mankind to trade, conduct business under his model. He will be allowed to succeed for a set time.

His success will begin in heaven when he wars against God's army. "It grew until it reached the host of the heavens [God's army in heaven], and it threw some of the starry host [angels] down to the earth and trampled on them. It set itself up to be as great as the Prince of the host [promotes himself to be as great as the commander of God's army]; it took away the daily [the eternal continual practice performed by Jesus Christ in heaven], and the place of his sanctuary was brought low [Christ's sacred place thrown down as to break, to make it useless and show it as weak, vulnerable, without authority and breakable]" (Daniel 8:10). This event takes place in heaven.

God has not yet rolled back the sky for everyone on earth to see these events. God allows the enemy to walk through the front door, in order to prosecute them fully. The "little horn" takes some level of control over God's army and the continual practice/service that was performed by Jesus Christ in heaven, he does himself. He will work to destroy truth and promote lies and deceit. It is this attack in heaven that is the greatest abomination in all creation because the "little horn" attempts, and for a very short time, performs the duties of Jesus Christ, the Intercessor of mankind. This vile atrocity seals God's legal case against Wickedness and He gives the nod to Archangel Michael to stand up, and then, war breaks out in heaven.

Many studies by theologians and scholars have been done to understand "the rebellion that causes desolation" referred to in Daniel and Jesus' warning in the books of Matthew and Mark to believers in Judea to flee to the mountains when 'the abomination that causes desolation" is standing where it does not belong. In the second century BCE, the Greek king Antiochus IV Epiphanes came to Jerusalem to suppress the Jewish rebellion. He entered the temple, stopped the regular sacrifices, set up an idol of or altar for Zeus, and apparently sacrificed an unclean animal defiling the temple. This event is often considered by theologians as a type of "abomination that makes desolate" referred to in Daniel. There is good reasoning to support that concept.

The "little horn" king is instrumental at igniting a rebellion that causes desolation. The word "desolation" means to make barren, like a woman who is not able to conceive and churches not able to conceive a healthy congregation fit for God's kingdom. The "rebellion that causes

desolation" in the context of scripture points to rebels in heaven who, for a time, replace Christ's pure, redemptive sacrifice with their unclean, perverted, blemished sacrifice.

Jesus was the flawless sacrifice and he is pictured as a lamb without blemish. The scriptures prophesying persecution and hatred to those who profess Jesus Christ becomes clear. The act of setting up an idol of or altar for Zeus and sacrificing an unclean animal is a rebellious act declaring Zeus as the Almighty God, our Creator and the sacrifice of an unclean animal means a rebel son of God likely the "little horn" in the book of Daniel is sacrificed to redeem mankind.

The "little horn" tries to change set times and laws. During his reign, he gains power taking control over some level of God's army, he sets himself up a great as the Prince of God's army and for a set time, every aspect of his plans is successful. He wants to change God's set times to extend his reign; he wants to change God's law to sanctify his sacrifice and apply his own "saving" plan for mankind while pardoning himself of sin along with Satan and their full coalition of rebels. By changing God's law, his sacrifice would allow him to excuse sin and promote it, without consequence.

Three-fold function of God's law:

- 1. Civil use, how to love among one another
- 2. **Salvation**, the law informs mankind of their sins and the consequences
- 3. **Sanctification**, live righteously and humbly, grateful to be made holy through Christ's sacrifice



Jesus said, "I have come in my Father's name, and you do not accept me; but if someone else comes in his own name, you will accept him" (John 5:43). The "little horn" will come trumpeting his own name.

Jesus warned believers to flee from Judea when you see what should not be there, set himself up as their saviour, dying and being resurrected fulfilling the scripture of the beast that recovered from a mortal wound. When Jesus said, "I tell you the truth, this generation will certainly not

pass away until all these things have happened" (Mark 13:30), Jesus is saying that the attitude of these people will not pass away, but it will continue throughout the generations until all these things have happened. Unfortunately, many will ignore the warning.

This war will be like no other war to occur, nor ever to be again both in heaven and on earth. Wars on earth in the past and present, even world wars will be nothing compared to what is

coming. The "little horn" king will reign until the time of wrath is complete for what God has determined must take place (Daniel 11:36).

As a supreme king, He will apply his mastery of intrigue, which could look like:

- Take the mark of the beast for protection from the angels in heaven, Jesus Christ and the God who thinks he is supreme. He will claim to have subdued them. A possible catchy cliché could be: take the "saving mark".
- Worship the idol that has power to kill. The beast may claim that the idol was erected to give mankind a vision of greatness and a reminder on earth of all power. The already known cliché could be "survivor of the fittest" earns the crown.
- Worship Satan and the beast of whom Satan gave his throne, power and great
 authority confirms the life-style of choice. Righteousness is for the foolish and weak, the
 mix of good and evil knowledge is for the wise. A theological cliché could be "Find the
 god within you."

The "little horn" king will offer creation in heaven and earth, his wisdom rich in self-logic and expertise in searching for ways around the consequences of lawlessness.

The opening of the sixth seal marks the wrath of the Lamb [Jesus Christ]. "The sky rolls up like a scroll, and all of the mountains and islands move from their places" (Revelation 6:14). This takes place after several years of intense persecution of God's people and those who accept the testimony of Jesus and keep God's commandments. The end of this persecution is marked by a great earthquake. Jesus Christ the judge to bring the end of persecution.

"Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and every slave and every free man hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. They called to the mountains and the rocks, 'Fall on us and hide from the face of him who sist on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?" (Revelation 6:15-17)

These leaders and people all knew Christ will return. Somehow, they thought allying with the beast would protect them.

The seventh seal is opened and the Great God, the Supreme God releases His wrath foretold hundreds of years ago, "Come near, you nations, and listen; pay attention, you peoples! Let the earth hear, and all that is in it, the world, and all that comes out of it! **The LORD is angry with all nations; his wrath is upon all their armies. He will totally destroy them; he will give them over to slaughter**" (Isaiah 34:1-2).

God is angry with the nations because they surrendered to the beast saying, "Who is like the beast? Who can make war against it?" (Revelation 13:4b). So, they choose to worship the beast and Satan. They rejected the witness of the saints providing them saving solutions.

The wrath of Almighty God begins after the wrath of the Lamb when the seventh seal is opened. God wastes no time; hail and fire mixed with blood destroys one-third of the earth; He takes down the haven of Wickedness—the sea: one-third of the sea turns to blood, one-third of the sea creatures die, one-third of the ships are destroyed; Wormwood poisons the waterways, darkness takes one-third of sunlight, moonlight and light from the stars, remaining mankind are tortured by the ancient gods released for five months from the Abyss, one-third of mankind remaining are killed, then finally seven thunders rumble across the planet prior the final witness to the unrepentant survivors.

God will accomplish His work. Wickedness may think for a time that they are so powerful that the All-Mighty and All-Powerful God cannot touch them, Recorded in Proverbs God's creative power, "when He set a boundary for the sea, so that the sea would not transgress His command, when He marked out the foundations of the earth." (Proverbs 8:29). As the tide of the sea does not surpass its boundaries, so Wickedness will not transgress Almighty God's command. He allows them access through the front door in order to bring charges against them and sentence them to destruction.



Indeed, there is no other God who can rescue and save as the All-Mighty, the All-Powerful, the Supreme God and Great Creator.

No other God can save in this way!

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