

The Altar, the Abomination,
and Armageddon

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of
Sorrows

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THE BEGINNING OF SORROWS - THE DANIEL WARS

The basic premise of this teaching, the Altar, the Abomination, and Armageddon, is simple. I believe that a future end time Abomination of Desolation scenario will look like the historic Abomination of Desolation and all of the events that accompanied that event in history.

I have tried to make it simple to understand by giving three cardinal events that we should be looking for in our days, if it is truly the days before the Coming of the Lord. These cardinal events are the shutting down of the Altar, the Abomination of Desolation, and Armageddon.

I believe that the period before the placing of the Abomination of Desolation, known as the Beginning of Sorrows, could consist of a war between a Northern Kingdom and a Southern Kingdom that will lead to the placing of the Abomination of Desolation in Jerusalem. I believe it could include a war between Western Nations and Eastern Nations with Israel caught in the middle.

For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

All these are the beginning of sorrows. Matthew 24:7-8

According to history, we could see a period of time in our future when it looks like Israel has lost in a major middle east war. We could also see a period of time when it looks like we have lost on a global scale. However, there is always the hope of Armageddon.

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Israel's
Two
Flights

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Israel's Flights

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:)

16 Then let them which be in Judaea **flee** into the mountains:

17 Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

18 Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

19 And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

20 But pray ye that your **flight** be not in the winter, neither on the sabbath day:

21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

Matthew 24:15-21

We know from Matthew 24 that those in Judaea will have to **flee** when the Abomination is placed in the holy place. The early Christians were able to avoid the events of 70AD because they fled early according to the prophecy of Jesus. They were saved because of the words of Christ. There are **two flights** of Israel mentioned in the book of Revelation. Each flight described with a different type of time. The **first flight** given as 1260 days and the **second flight** given as a time, times, and half a time. Lets look closely at these two events.

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Israel's First Flight - 1260 Days

1260 - Revelation

And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there **a thousand two hundred and threescore days.**
Revelation 12:6

1290 - Daniel

And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be **a thousand two hundred and ninety days.** Daniel 12:11

The Timeline of Events occurring during Israel's First Flight is 1290 days but the actual flight is only 1260 days. The flight begins 30 days after the Daily Sacrifice is Taken Away. The 1290 days from Daniel 12:11 has two points in time.

First - The Daily Sacrifice is Taken Away

1290 Days Later

Second - The Abomination of Desolation is Set Up

This is What Happened Historically!

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Israel's Second Flight -

A Time, Times, and Half a Time

Time, and Times, and Half a Time - Daniel

I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; Daniel 7:21

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

Time, and Times, and Half a Time - Revelation

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. Revelation 13:7

And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for a time, and times, and half a time, from the face of the serpent. Revelation 12:14

The period of time associated with Israel's Second Flight is a Time, Times, and Half a Time. It is a time after the Abomination of Desolation when the Saints are "given into his hand until a time, times, and the dividing of time." It is the period of the Rule of Antichrist, the 42 months when he Reigns on the Earth. Israel (the Woman) is protected by the Lord during this period.

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To be clear, 1260 Days is a Time, Times, and a Half Time. There are two events associated with the Time, Times, and a Half Time in the book of Daniel. They are as follows:

1) The Scattering of the Power of the Holy People.

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 swore 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

2) They are Given into his Hand.

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

These two scriptures in Daniel give us the full picture of the events that happen in the last days.

- 1) The Power of the Holy People is Scattered -
- 2) They are Given into his Hand - Time, Times, and Half Time.

The man clothed in linen in Daniel 12:7 raises his right hand and his left hand when swearing because there are Two Events.

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Israel's Flights

The 1260 Flight - Revelation 12:6

And the woman **fled** into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should **feed** her there **a thousand two hundred and threescore days**. Revelation 12:6

In the 1260 day flight, the woman flees and is fed.

The Time, and Times, and Half a Time Flight - Revelation 12:14

And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might **fly** into the wilderness, into her place, where she is **nourished** for **a time, and times, and half a time**, from the face of the serpent. Revelation 12:14

In the Time, Times, and Half a Time flight, the woman flies and is nourished.

The 1260 Flight is During the Period Known as the Beginning of Sorrows that will last 1290 Days.

The Time, and Times, and Half a Time Flight is During the Period Known as the Great Tribulation.

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*The Transgression
of Desolation*

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THE TRANSGRESSION OF DESOLATION

The Transgression of Desolation – Taking Away the Daily Sacrifice

Daniel 8:8-14

8 Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.

9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

10 And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.

11 Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.

12 And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.

13 Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, **How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?**

14 And he said unto me, **Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.**

The Transgression of Desolation is the Shutting Down of the Altar and Taking Away the Daily Sacrifice, known as the Talmid offering. It is also a time when the sanctuary and the Holy people are “trodden under foot”. This happened in 170 BC by Antiochus Epiphanes and will happen again in our day if the future pattern of the end times follows the original pattern in the days of Antiochus, which is the theory proposed in this document.

2300 Days from the Transgression of Desolation to the Cleansing of the Sanctuary.

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The Transgression of Desolation and the Abomination of Desolation

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:)

21 For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be. Matthew 24:15,21

31 And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily sacrifice, **and they shall place** the abomination that maketh desolate. Daniel 11:31

11 And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, **there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days.** Daniel 12:11

Jesus tells us about a future Abomination of Desolation in Matthew 24. We know it is a future event because an image was never **set up** in 70 AD as prophesied in Daniel 11:31 and Matthew 24:15, particularly as it relates to the image described in Revelation 13 that is able to speak. Also, when the Temple was destroyed in 70 AD, an event similar to the Transgression of Desolation in Daniel Chapter 8, it was never cleansed according to the 2300 days in Daniel 8:14.

If there is a future Abomination of Desolation then there should also be a future Transgression of Desolation. I believe the future End Time Pattern will follow the Historic Pattern associated with Antiochus Epiphanes, the archetype of the Antichrist.

Daniel connects the Abomination of Desolation to the Transgression of Desolation in Daniel 12:11. The Transgression of Desolation precedes the Abomination of Desolation by 1290 days.

1290 Days from the Transgression of Desolation to the Abomination of Desolation.

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