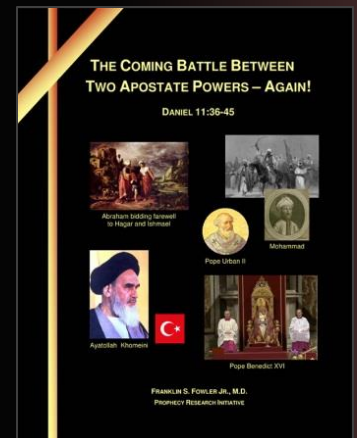


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# The King of the North Enters the World Scene

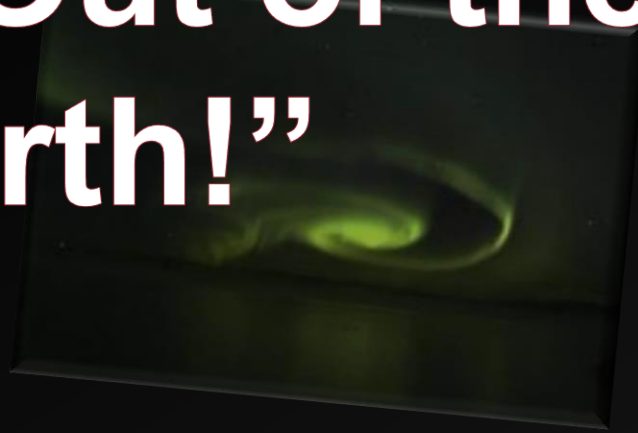


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## Lesson One

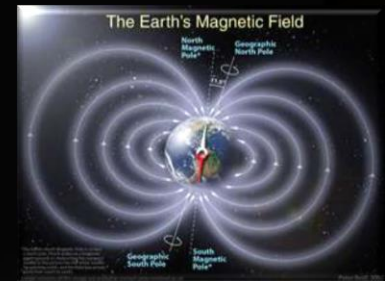
# Sinister Power: Out of the “North!”



The hidden forces that God has imbedded within His vast creation are mysterious and amazing. For example:

Matter **attracts** matter – thus, the gravitational pull. The moon's pull on the earth creates the **tides**.

The earth has a unique magnetic field. One “**charge**” is concentrated in the north.



The compass points toward that electro-magnetic “power.”

The Bible talks about the four directions of the compass.

*“I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth.”* (Rev. 7:1)

Are you aware that God’s throne is located in a special direction?

*“Great is the LORD, and the mountain of his holiness.” “Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is mount Zion, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.”* (Psa. 48:1-2)

His “center” is symbolized as in the north!

Earthly and heavenly metaphors are blended in that song of praise by King David.

- The “city of our God” the “city of the Great king,” **is** the heavenly “New Jerusalem.”
- It is situated on Mount Zion, “beautiful for situation.”



What does it mean, that “beautiful situation?”

God's throne is on Mount Zion, and situated in the “sides of the north.”

God wants us to have an irresistible attraction toward His throne, the very center of the universe!



Those mysterious and powerful symbols draw us upward, pointing us to that “northern center!”

AND – that is where our story about the “king of the north” actually begins. That prophecy has a “northern focus!”

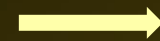


God's northern throne does **attract**.  
BUT the Bible warns about another  
fearful “northern attraction!”



1. God centered: Those drawn by love and adoration to the very **center of “holiness and power”** (the “mystery of Godliness”).
2. Man centered: Those wanting to usurp God's authority – even “taking His place” – though under His power! (part of the “mystery of iniquity.”)

Of those who are lovingly attracted to God  
come these beautiful thoughts:





From Isaiah as he observed **angels** reacting to God on His throne:

*“I saw also the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up, and his train filled the temple.*



*“Above it stood the seraphims ...*

*“And one cried unto another, and said, **Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory**” (Isa. 6:1-3)*

From John, while visiting God's throne room:

*“And every creature ... heard I saying,  
‘Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power,  
be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and  
unto the Lamb for ever and ever.’*

*“And the four beasts said, Amen. And the  
four and twenty elders **fell down** and  
worshipped him that liveth for ever and  
ever.” (Rev. 5:13-14)*

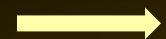
Those elders were “redeemed” saints that  
arose with Jesus and joined Him at His  
ascension. (Matt. 27:52-53, Eph. 4:6; DA 786)

For that other group – the “north” holds an attraction only to achieve “sinful gains.”

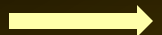
That started with Lucifer, whose name means “covering angel.” The following is a narrative about that beginning from E. G. White:



“Evil originated with Lucifer, who rebelled against the government of God. Before his fall he was a covering cherub, distinguished by his excellence. God made him good and beautiful, as near as possible like Himself.”



“Of him it is written, ‘Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.’ But self-exaltation entered his heart. Inspiration records the charge against him: ‘Thine heart wast lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness.’ ‘How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend unto heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God:



“I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the Most High.” (RH, Sept. 24, 1901 – referencing Isa. 14 and Eze. 28)

Before that fall, the heavenly host brought continuous praise to God on that “**north-side**” throne. Lucifer’s loveliness drew from the hearts of the angels **ceaseless adoration** – just as God had originally planned.

But after that **angelic rebellion** God cast Lucifer out of those **holy precincts**, with one third of that vast host, which he successfully deceived.

*“And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels, And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven. And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.”* (Rev. 12:7-9)

That devilish angel didn't forget heaven's directional metaphor of the north!

God used the north to represent many issues related to the plan of redemption. Satan recognized that and sought to taint every symbol possible.



God had Moses put the Table of Showbread on the north side in the Holy Place of the Tabernacle. That was where God's throne was located. (Psa. 48:2)

The 12 loaves on that table represented 12 Tribes' "continual presence" with Him!



Those twelve loaves of bread thus symbolized:



1. Bread or people of His presence (Ex. 25:30). They were uniquely His!
2. Bread – a memorial of God’s covenant provisions to His people (Lev. 24:5-7)
3. Bread – “continually” in His presence, reflecting God’s never ending presence with His people. (Num. 4:7)
4. Bread of “arrangement,” showing how the body of Christ would be an independent, yet unified group, in His presence. (II Chron. 2:4)

Satan would strike at the very root of those symbols and create rebellion against God.

1. He would come among God's people and taint the directional meaning of the north.
2. He would develop hatred toward God's covenant by undermining His law.
3. He would create substitutes for God's "presence."
4. He would work to bring disunity among the body of believers.

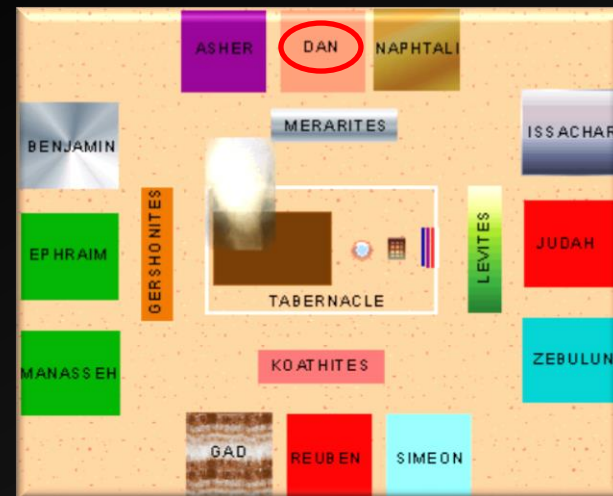


He would compete with God Himself! How?

Satan's rebellion would be **expressed** through God's **earthly agents**! Our study reflects on ancient Israel. Its four **lead tribes** hold symbolic **clues** to earth's apocalyptic end-time players – those acting out this “war.”

To the **north** of the tabernacle was the lead tribe of Dan. He had control of Asher and Naphtali.

Dan was a **rebel** and didn't settle in his assigned area after arriving in the land of Canaan.





His ensign, flag or standard was a snake. But this was changed to an eagle. Hundreds of years later, it would become the symbol for the City of Rome – a very important parallel!

Another tribe, that of Ephraim, was deeply blessed. **Joshua** came from within its ranks and the tabernacle was located in its “city” of **Shiloh**. Ephraim later rebelled and joined hands with Dan in the **north**. They created a “break-away” “**northern kingdom!**” Jeroboam, from the tribe of Ephraim, was its first “king.” He set up two idolatrous centers for **calf worship**.

The ox or calf became the symbol for Ephraim's tribe. It was located to the **west** of the tabernacle, later symbolically representing **apostasy** in prophecy.



Thus – Ephraim reached across the “**gulf**” to the **north** and became the leader of the rebellious “**northern kingdom.**” Again – the “northern powers” tried to take the place of God through its idols and self-proclaimed worship centers.

Jeroboam was its “king of the north!” He became a **type** of that “king” in Daniel 11!

Looking into the events of earth's final years, this "agent" of Satan is also called a "little horn." (Dan. 8:9) It becomes "exceedingly great" (or "powerful") throughout the world.



Its directional movements are noted:

*"toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land."* (this "land" refers to the **west!**) (Dan. 8:9)

Where does the "little horn" arise from?

The **north!**

This is a description of the apocalyptic  
"antichrist of the north!"

**North** is where God's throne is. **North** is where Satan sought to exhibit his power! **North** is where the two rebellious "lead tribes" are depicted as having their "kingdom power."

**North** is where the "little horn," or the "antichrist," simulates his power base, when trying to be like God.



We are invited to studiously observe the details of his characteristics that God has generously given in prophecy!

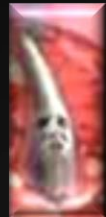


When we collectively understand those “little horn” attributes, then the meaning of the “king of the north” will easily unfold! That “king” is a central part of this Daniel 11 study! We must understand him in great depth.

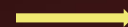
Let's start with the descriptive clues in Dan 8:

### The Little Horn

1. Became arrogant and powerful; suppressing, then persecuting, God's people, called His “host” (vs 10)
2. Then egotistically made himself equal with Christ (the “Prince” of the “host”) (vs 11)



3. Took away the “daily” – the true Sabbath (vs 11) – and “set up” a false Sabbath (vs 12)
4. Destroyed the “place” or the real meaning of God’s church! (vs 11)
5. Cast truth to the ground (vs 12)
6. At the very end will have a leader (its last) called a “king,” which becomes deceptive and fierce (vs 23) (the same one that later is called the “king of the north” in chapter 11)
7. Will even try and destroy God’s “holy people” (vs 24)
8. With great pride, will operate with a “peaceful front” or “image” (vs 25)



9. Will have a sense of power that will even cause him to oppose the “Prince of princes” (Jesus Christ). (vs 25)
10. Will, however, seemingly come to his end without cause! (vs 25)



Lest we lose our orientation:

- This “little horn” came “out of the north.” (vs 9)
- Its last “leader” would be depicted as similar to Satan, wanting to be like God, sitting on the “mount,” where God’s throne is and shown to be in the sides of the north. (Isa. 14:13)
- He is called a “king” (8:23); the final leader in chapter 11 is the same “king of the north.” (11:40)

Incidentally, those leaders of the “northern kingdom” of Israel, Dan and Ephraim, **are not listed** among the 144,000. (Rev. 7:5-8) They are eternally lost.

There is a prophetic relationship between those two tribes, the “little horn” and the “king of the north.”

We’ll discuss that later in greater detail.

The “little horn” was originally introduced in the previous chapter, Daniel 7. Let’s also look at some of its characteristics there: —→



Daniel 7 has two distinct prophecies about the “little horn!”

The first shows the four beasts rising out of the “sea” with a “little horn” emerging from the fourth beast – prior to the onset of a judgment scene. (Dan. 7:2-8)


Then – alerting us to another application:

*“As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet **their lives were prolonged** for a season and time.”* (Dan. 7:12)

That beast’s reapplication is depicted as coming from the “earth!” (Dan. 7:17)

Though a **north** direction is missing in that account, the “little horn reapplication” prophecy is described in greater detail in Daniel 8 and coming from the **north!**

These are those additional characteristics:

1. The “little horn” had a mouth and spoke blasphemy. (vs 20, 25)
  2. It made war against the saints and appears initially to win. (vs 21, 25)
  3. He changes “*times and laws*” (implying those that God had made). (vs 25)
  4. God gives the “little horn” 3½ years to carry forward its apostasy. (vs. 25)
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5. Then another judgment occurs (clearly the judgment of the living). (vs 26)
6. The end comes to the “little horn” and its dominion! (vs 26)



Prophetic clues don't stop with this “little horn!”  
There are fascinating allusions to this antichrist  
power in Revelation!



*“In the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind. And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.” (Rev. 4:6b-7)*

These represent the four “lead tribes” of Israel:

- Lion – tribe of Judah to the east
- Calf – tribe of Ephraim to the west
- Man – tribe of Ruben to the south
- Eagle – tribe of Dan to the north



Here, once again, is an allusion to the “standards” of Israel’s tribes.



These “living creatures” (who are actually “executive angels” around God’s throne) symbolize end-time players that will influence the “world scene” right at the end of time! Of interest to us are the tribes of Dan (**north**) and Ephraim (**west**).

These “creatures” introduce **horses** on very specific “**missions**.” Horses represent people, especially prepared for battle. (Joel 2:1-4, Zech. 10:3, Isa. 63:13, I Thess. 5:8, I Tim 6:12, II Tim. 2:3-4)

**Some prophetic drama is being depicted!**

John notes this regarding the “calf” angel:

*“And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the **second beast** say, Come and see. And there went out another **horse** that was **red**: and **power** was given to him that sat thereon to **take peace from the earth**, and that they **should kill one another**: and there was given unto him a **great sword**.”* (Rev. 6:3-4)



This group of people, representing Ephraim, are those who join with Dan and become the “northern coalition.” They, in turn, fight against God’s true people – the tribe of Judah.

The “red horse” people parallel the activity of the earth beast (Rev. 13:11-17) and its threats against all those who refuse the “mark of the beast.” We will discover shortly who they are.

They “take peace” from the earth. Though the earth beast had “lamb-like” horns, it spoke like a “dragon,” or Satan. (Rev. 13:11)

Ephraim and the earth beast are associated with a “false form of worship” (golden calves, sun/Baal and an “image to the beast”). Finally, God pronounced her doom: “*Ephraim is joined to idols: let him alone.*” (Hos. 4:17)



Original Golden  
Calf Worship  
Site – Dan

John then observes “Lamb Jesus” opening the fourth seal. This “activated” the fourth living creature [an eagle, representing the tribe of Dan] to invite him to “*come and see.*” John describes what followed:



*“And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.” (Rev. 6:8)*

“Babylon” and the “Northern Kingdom” of Israel are “prophetic parallels” that God uses to describe the terminus of satanic rebellion.

The tribe of Ephraim persecutes and later kills. The tribe of Dan, **from the north**, promotes death. Together – they form a coalition against God's people. Together – they are in apostasy and abject rebellion against God!

Their probation will finally end when God says: "let him alone."

This coalition is called "**Babylon**" in the book of Revelation. In fact, it is made up of three parts:

1. Beast – of chapters 13 and 17
2. False Prophet – "earth beast" in chapter 13, later amended to "prophet" (16:13, 19:20, 20:10)
3. Dragon – Satan himself!



This “coalition” is broken up just after the seventh vial plague is poured on planet earth, following Jesus’ cry, “*It is done.*” (Rev. 16:17)

This is how John describes that apocalyptic event:

*“And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.”* (Rev. 16:19)

Just prior to this, God’s people had preached:

*“Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.” (Rev. 18:2-4)*

**DRAMATICALLY** – these open up a vast network of prophetic messages for us to reference!

The “religious behavior” of the “little horn” **leaders** parallel the “lead” tribal powers of the “north country.” In turn, they all link to the three “powers” of Babylon.

Let’s look at this in greater detail:



<b>Satan Isaiah 14</b>	<b>Little Horn Daniel 7</b>	<b>Little Horn Daniel 8</b>	<b>Sea/Earth Beasts Rev. 13</b>
I ascend to heaven	Spoke blasphemy	Arrogant and proud	Blasphemy against God's saints/church
Exalts his throne above stars of God			
I will be like the "Most High"		Ascends to the Prince of host	Accepts being worshiped
Sits on "mount," sides of north, location of God's throne		Came from the "north" direction – challenging Prince of princes	
	Changes God's "times and laws"	Takes away Sabbath; casts truth to ground	Promotes a "mark," honoring the beast
	Makes war against the saints	Persecutes God's host	Persecutes saints; has power over their lives
Brought to ashes (Eze. 28:18-19)	Power ceases at end of 3½ years		Power ceases at end of 42 months
Never to exist again	No further dominion	Comes to its end	

Satan  
Isaiah 14

Little Horn  
Daniel 7

Little Horn  
Daniel 8

Sea/Earth Beasts  
Revelation 13

These three (*Satan, the beast and the false prophet*) form a coalition called BABYLON! (Rev. 16:19) Satan is called the “king” of that Babylon. (Isa. 14:4)

The diagram consists of four dark blue rectangular boxes at the top, each containing text. From the bottom center of the first box (Satan) and the bottom center of the fourth box (Sea/Earth Beasts), yellow lines extend downwards and inwards, meeting at a yellow arrowhead pointing to a larger dark blue box below. This box contains the text explaining the coalition.

This coalition, led by Satan, is referred to as a “false trinity.” They deceive, work miracles and win the support of the whole world, including its kings (its leaders). (Rev. 16:13-14)

We continue to build a foundation that will help us when we go back to Daniel 11 to decipher **who** that “**king of the north**” is.



Let's now go to the book of Revelation, where one of the “**vial**” or “**plague**” angels is talking to John. He is opening up a vast resource of information that echoes the “**little horn**,” the **beasts** of Revelation 13 and the **horse of the fourth seal**.

He is giving a stunning report, which John records in what is now Revelation 17!  
This is how he begins:

*“And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will show unto thee **the judgment of the great whore** that sitteth upon many waters:*



*“With whom **the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.**” (Rev. 17:1-2)*

This harlot woman is named, amazingly,  
“Babylon the Great,” described in verse 5!





John had just witnessed the demise of that “false trinity,” called “Babylon.” (Rev. 16:19)

This occurred during the **seventh vial plague**.

Now the angel comes to tell John how that all came about. This is, perhaps, the most **graphic prophecy of the antichrist** because of its details.

Since this is all “**end-time**,” those pointed descriptions become valuable issues of “**present truth**” for us – right now.

The “fall of Babylon (the harlot),” has many prophetic allusions. In the days of Jeremiah, God revealed the future of Babylon’s end:



1. Literally (as noted in Daniel 5:25-31)
2. Spiritually (as here in Revelation)

*“For this is **the day of the Lord GOD** of hosts, **a day of vengeance**, that he may avenge him of his adversaries: and the sword shall devour, and it shall be satiate and made drunk with their blood: for the Lord GOD of hosts hath a sacrifice in the **north country** **by the river Euphrates.**” (Jer. 49:10)*

Whatever is related to “Babylon,” is associated with the “north!” The reason? When the king of Babylon, Nebuchadnezzar, attacked Jerusalem, he had to go northward via Syria and then down into Palestine. Thus the reference to the “north,” once again, in prophecy.

We must expect that whatever the harlot’s prophecy is, it will be about a “power” that seeks to be “like God,” since it is associated with the “Babylonian north.”



These are now the “clues” about this evil woman, that the angel shared with John.

1. She sits on “waters” which represents: *peoples, multitudes, nations and tongues* (Rev. 17:15)
2. The word “sits” in prophecy means having “control over.” This is a “time” when she has control over the world.
3. A “woman” symbolizes a “church” or a body of believers. (Isa. 26:17-18; Hos. 2:2, 19; II Cor. 11:2)

4. Committing “fornication” means that she has had illicit relationships with the leaders of this world.

Thus, at this point, we can make important preliminary observations:

- A church that represents God is in apostasy – she’s called a “harlot.”
- She’s powerful enough to rule the world.
- The relationship she has with the leaders of nations, God hates. He is branding it “fornication.” There must be some deception or falsehood within that “bonding.”

Suddenly, our curiosity is provoked into questioning:

*“What church could be so powerful that it can control the world?” And ...*

*“What church is so influential that the world is enamored by its leadership?”*

Immediately, one assumes that this **might be the Roman Catholic Church!** But that would **label** them with the imagery of a “harlot!” That seems to be dangerous speculation! **That church, however, is powerful and global!**

John is not left to a “guessing exercise” – nor are we! Note what now follows:

1. John is taken into the wilderness. (vs 3)
2. There he sees the harlot (for the first time), sitting on a beast. (vs 3)
3. This creature has 7 heads and 10 horns. (vs 3)
4. It is scarlet in color and loaded with names dubbed “blasphemy.” (vs 3)
5. The woman is arrayed with purple and scarlet; decked with gold, precious stones, and pearls. (vs 4)
6. She has a golden cup in her hand, filled with “abominations.” (vs 4)



This imagery shows that this “harlot church,” which is in mortal apostasy, is dressed in the **colors** of the leaders of the Roman Catholic Church.



The opulence of its structures and relics give evidence of its massive holdings of gold, silver and precious stones.



The “golden cup” this Church carries is full of abominations. This refers to false doctrines that are at variance with the Holy Word of God.

“This revelation [referring to the Bible], however, can only be rightly understood in the light of Tradition and the Magisterium.”

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The harlot controls (sits on) a beast or kingdom/nation. That nation is also full of fearful names of blasphemy.

What church is in charge of a “nation” that might fulfill this imagery? The Roman Catholic Church has control of the Vatican State!



Vatican  
City—State



Capitol Building  
Vatican City

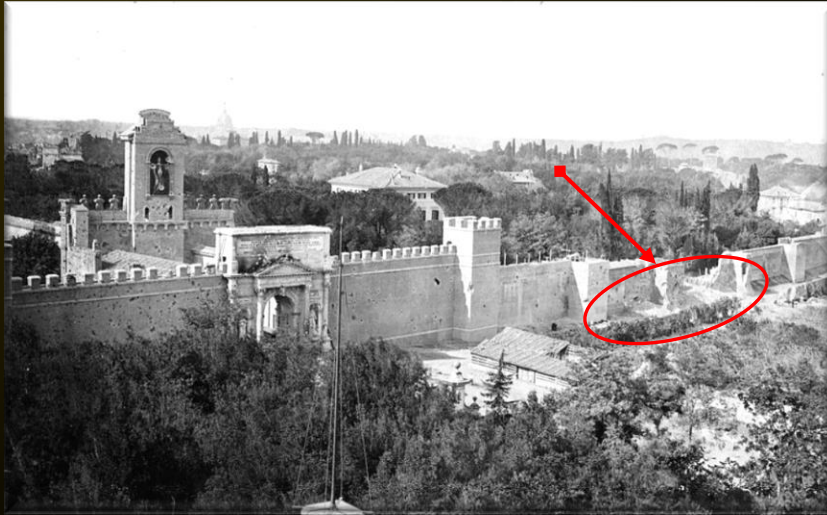
Intriguingly – this church was a church–state until 1870, when the country of Italy confiscated her Papal States.

Until then, a large segment of Italy had been part of the papal holdings. The papacy received income through taxes and had full control of the lives of its citizens.

Over a ten-day period, all this changed, and the papacy was reduced to an ecclesiastical power only!







This is the breach that was made in the Breccia Porta Pia walls surrounding Rome, where the soldiers of General Raffaele Cadorna entered – and then captured the City on September 20, 1870.

The Papal States, several days previously, had fallen to his troops.

This Revelation 17 prophecy says that the end-time antichrist power would be a church—state (woman—beast, harlot—beast). That means that the Catholic Church, this harlot, would have had to become, once again, a secular nation (after 1870)!

True to the prophecy that was given over 1800 years before, that occurred under Pope Pius XI in 1929 through three Lateran Concordats or Treaties. This also fulfills the prophecy of *“the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.”* (Rev. 13:14)



There is one other clue that this church is the focus of the harlot–beast prophecy! Note carefully this verse:

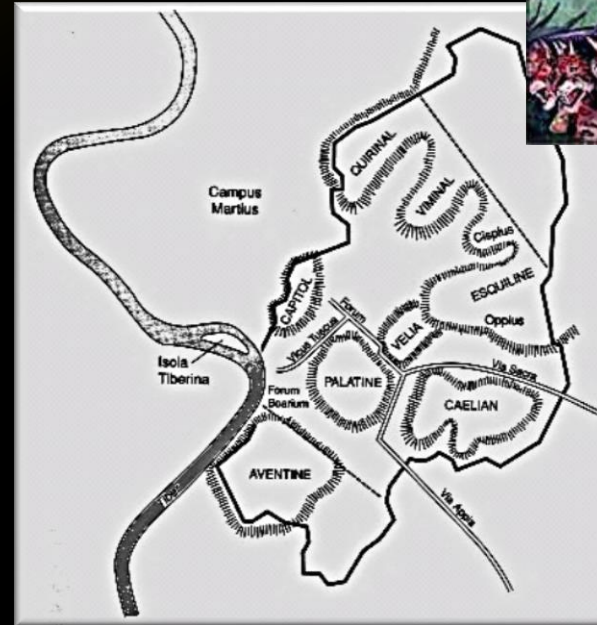
*“And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.”* (Rev. 17:9)

The church sits on an area identified with seven “mountains” or “hills.” What could this refer to? **Rome**. In the days of its kings, it was built on “seven hills.” Thus, it became known as the “**City of the Seven Hills**.”



The Roman Catholic Church is represented by the harlot on its Vatican City beast.

Her name is **Babylon the Great**. (vs 5) God didn't stop there. He had the angel tell John that she was **also called** the “mother of harlots,” and (this is amazing) the “abominations of the earth!” Has this Church been an abomination to God?





## Pope Innocent III noted:

“Anyone who attempts to construe a personal view of God which conflicts with Church dogma must be burned without pity.”

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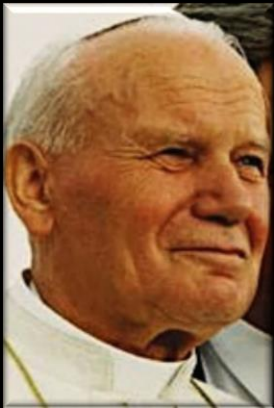
## Pope Pius IX said (Syllabus of Errors):



1. (# 15) No man is free to embrace and profess any religion which he believes to be true.
2. (# 17) Eternal salvation is not even to be hoped for outside of the Catholic Church.
3. (# 18) Protestantism is condemned and heretical.
4. (# 24) The Church has the moral right to employ force against temporal powers.
5. (# 55) Separation of church and state is condemned.

**Pius IX also wrote:** “The Pope’s authority is unlimited, incalculable ... it allows no appeal and is itself Sovereign ... as the [Roman Catholic] Canonists put it – ‘The tribunal of God and of the pope is one and the same.’”

[Ignaz von Dollinger, “A Letter Addressed to the Archbishop of Munich,” 1871; as quoted in MacDougall, *The Acton Newman Relations* (Fordham University Press) pp. 119-120]



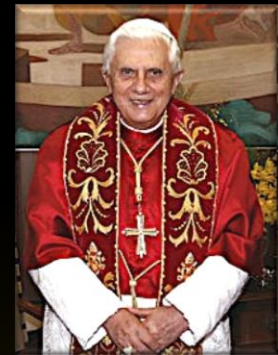
**Pope John Paul II** added to the Code of Canon Laws of the Roman Catholic Church this note: “It is solely the right of the Roman Pontiff himself to judge ... those who hold the highest civil office in a state.”

[*Code of Canon Law*, Latin-English Ed (Wash. DC: Canon Law Society of America, 1983) Canon 1405]



**He also wrote:** “The Church has an innate and proper right to coerce offending members of the Christian faithful by means of penal sanctions.” [Canon 1311 (Pope John Paul II)]

**Pope Benedict XVI said:** “Above all else, it must be *firmly believed* that the Church [Catholic] ... is necessary for salvation: the one Christ is the mediator and the way of salvation; he is present to us in his body which is the Church.” (*Dominus Iesus*)



This extensive background of a “little horn,” an apocalyptic “beast,” Seals Two and Four of that amazing judicial scroll and a “harlot” with power centered in Rome, sets the stage for our final push to discover **what** the “king of the north” is in Daniel 11.

- Our focus will be on verses 36-45.
- But – the identity of this power was dramatically described earlier in verses 30-35.
- That’s where we want to begin our analysis.
- **If** its characteristics match what we have just studied, we will have made an important discovery!



As we think about a **king** who is from the **north**, there are only **three** prophetic options that can now be entertained:

1. God the Father
2. Satan
3. Papacy



The first Daniel 11 allusion to this northern power comes in a series of verses describing it as a “vile person” (vs 21) – who:

- Pretends to be peaceful
- Obtains power through flatteries
- Works deceitfully
- Becomes strong with a small number



That “vile person” is historically from the middle ages. But – its name is retained when the end-time antichrist story begins. The “king of the north” is described later, alluding to the time when its **final end** is in sight.

### Characteristics of the last-days “vile person:”

1. Hatred against God’s holy covenant (vs 30)
2. Pollutes God’s true church (vs 31; 8:11)
3. Removes God’s Sabbath (vs 31; 8:11-12)
4. Sets up a false Sabbath – called an abomination (vs 31; 8:12-13)

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5. This “king” will exalt himself and magnify himself above every god (vs 36; 8:11, 25)
6. This all occurs at the “time of the end” (vs 35; 8:17), at an “appointed time,” (vs 35; 8:19) shown in Daniel 12 to be 3½ years.

The description is, once again, similar to that of the end-time antichrist we have just reviewed in several prophecies.

Key characteristics parallel the “little horn” that came out of the “north” in chapter 8 and the “harlot Babylon” that Jeremiah notes comes from the north!

“Those who become confused in their understanding of the Word, who fail to see the meaning of antichrist, will surely place themselves on the side of antichrist. There is no time for us to assimilate with the world. Daniel is standing in his lot and in his place. The prophecies of Daniel and of John are to be understood; they interpret each other. They give to the world truths which everyone should understand. These prophecies are to be witnesses in the world.” (PH068 15)

That is why this study is so important! It reviews the last work of Satan and his minions. To that harlot church who “sits” on the Vatican beast come these end-time words:

*“How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously ... for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.”* (Rev. 18:7)

She does come to her end – alone and without any friends. (Rev. 17:16)



The “man of sin” – the “vile person” – is to be revealed to the world. (II Thess. 2:3) Our witness is to educate and warn its inhabitants to “get ready” – **the end is near**.

This **power** comes out of the **north**, because it is trying to convince everyone that she, the harlot, is sitting with God’s authority to rule.

God is looking for a voice to make plain who this deceptive invader from the “north” really is!



**The End**

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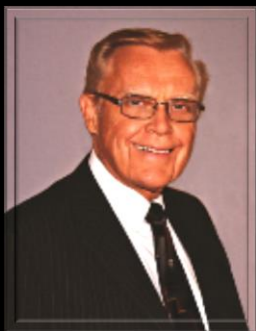
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