## Welcome to Faith Bible Church!

June 13, 2021

## **Order of Service:**

Opening Hymn: Virginia Grosskurth

Invocation

Scripture Reading: I Corinthians 15:35-50

Announcements

Pastoral Prayer

Hymn: Virginia Grosskurth

Message: *Michael Takes A Stand!* (Daniel 12:1-13)

## **Announcements:**

**Many thanks** to everyone who cooked, cleaned up, and helped in other ways to make our church picnic a warm and memorable time of fellowship for all!

**The 52<sup>nd</sup> annual conference** of the *Berean Bible Fellowship* will be held at the *Community Bible Church* in Tipp City, Ohio, June 20-24. Sixteen pastors from around the country will expound Acts 9-18. Schedules are on the bulletin table.

**Next Sunday** we begin a study of *Paul's Epistle to the Galatians*. Be reading ahead to get the most out of this study.

**Our offering box** is located just left of the kitchen door.

**Pick up** today's cross reference sheet & silence your phone **Daniel 11:36-45** *The King of the Tribulation Jungle* 

Antichrist will do "according to *his* will" (v.36), but the Lord came to do *His Father's* will (Jo.6:38). He'll exalt him-self over "every god," including the ones Satan tempted Eve with (Gen.3:5), the fallen angels. She wanted to be like them because men are lower than angels (Ps.8:4,5) and she wasn't satisfied with that. Antichrist won't be either (Ezek. 28:2), so he'll exalt himself over the angels, just as Lucifer wanted to do (Isa.14:13). Those "stars" are angels (cf.Rev.1:20).

"The God of gods" (v.36) is the Father (Deut.10:17). We're not told *how* Antichrist will "speak against" Him, but the only time we're told anyone spoke against God and we're told how, it was by saying He couldn't protect His people (IIChron.32:17). That's blasphemous (cf.Rev.13:5)!

Antichrist will "prosper" (v.36) or *get rich* (cf.Ps.73:12) by controlling the world's commerce with his mark (Rev.13:16, 17). God will be *indignant* about his words, and "accomp-lish" it when he finally puts an "end" to his blasphemy.

Since Antichrist will try to convince Jews he is their messiah, his "fathers" (Dan.11:37) will be Abraham, Isaac and Jacob (cf.Acts 3:13). He won't regard their God, nor "the desire of women." That's Christ! After the Lord told Eve her seed would bruise Satan's head (Gen.3:15), she began to *desire* to *bear* that seed. And after God told Abraham a *Jew-ish* woman's seed would bear Him, every *Jewish* woman desired Him. Antichrist won't regard Him, he'll "magnify himself above all" (v.37) by saying he is God (IIThes.2:3,4).

The word "forces" is used of *military* forces (Jer.18:21:40:7, 13). So "the God of forces" is the Father, the head of *heav-en's* "armies" (Rev.19:14). He'll probably honor Him by saying he won his military victories (Rev.6:2) because the God of forces helped him. Of

course, verse 36 said he *won't* regard the Father (v.36), but he'll *have to* honor Him "in his estate," i.e., in his estate *as king of Israel* (cf.Esther 1:19). But he'll *also* honor a god that "his fathers knew not," Baal. Israel's kings were *always* worshipping God and Baal (cf.IKi.16:31,32).

He'll worship Baal with gold and silver, etc. (v.38), just as Jews did in the past (Hosea 2:8), in the "strong holds" of the governments of the earth. He will increase their "glory" (their riches, as in Isaiah 61:6), by cutting them in on the profits from the religious system he'll establish in Babylon. That system will traffic in riches "and the souls of men" (Rev.18:2-13), just as Rome did for centuries. They'll also "rule over many" as Rome did. Babylon will be a political power as well as a religious power, just as Rome was.

Antichrist will divide "the land" (v.39) *of Israel* among his 10 kings. They will be kings of kingdoms *in the Mideast* (Ps.83:1-8) who have always coveted Israel's land. He'll make all those angry Arabs happy by giving them each a slice. It will be a reverse of what God did when He divided *the nations* to *Israel* (Deut.32:8) to rule over in the kingdom.

But Egypt isn't mentioned in Psalm 83, so they don't get a slice of Israel, so Egypt *attacks* Antichrist (Dan.11:40), causing him to counterattack (v.41). He attacks Egypt *from Syria*, where he moved after selling Israel to his 10 allies. So why would he *also* invade the "glorious land" of Israel? Why turn on his allies? It is because they burn his Babylon (Rev.17:1-17). So 10 of those "many countries" Antichrist is said to overcome in verse 41 will be his former allies.

But he won't be able to overcome Moab (v.41) because they will hide Jews from him (Isa.16:3,4), and the indication is that Edom and Ammon will too. So God will "bless" them that bless the Jews (Gen.12:3) by sparing them from him.

Those "tidings out of the east" (v.44) will be the reports he'll hear about those ships from Chittim (Europe) we saw in verse 30. The tidings out of the north will come from Russia. Many commentaries say the king of the north *is* the king of Russia, but there's nothing north of Russia that could trouble Antichrist if he were king of Russia!

The two "seas" (Dan.11:45) are the Dead Sea and the Medi-terranean. Jerusalem lies between them, and that's where the beast will plant his throne (Ezek.28:2), and that's where he'll be when he meets his "end" from the Lord (Joel 2:20-22).

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Sunday School: 9:30 a.m. Thornton Harrison, Dave Stewart

Morning Service: 10:45 a.m. *Pastor Ricky Kurth* 

Junior Church: 10:45 a.m. *Myrtle Harrison* 

Wednesday Night Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. *Assistant Pastor Steve Schwieger* 

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