



## SAVED TO SERVE

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### DANIEL THE PROPHET - DANIEL 11, PART 1

1. In this Sabbath School Lesson, we will study Daniel 11:31-32. For a verse by verse breakdown on Daniel 11:1-30, read the chapter, 'A Literal Prophecy' in the book *Daniel and The Revelation* by Uriah Smith. It gives a historical reference to Daniel 11. We will begin in the latter verses of the chapter where Sister White begins her commentary and which have applications for us in these last days.

“...**There are many precious truths contained in the Word of God, but it is “present truth” that the flock needs now.** I have seen the danger of the messengers running off from the important points of present truth, to dwell upon subjects that are not calculated to unite the flock and sanctify the soul. Satan will here take every possible advantage to injure the cause.” {EW 63.1}

“We have no time to lose. Troublous times are before us. The world is stirred with the spirit of war. Soon the scenes of trouble spoken of in the prophecies will take place. **The prophecy in the eleventh of Daniel has nearly reached its complete fulfillment. Much of the history that has taken place in fulfillment of this prophecy will be repeated. In the thirtieth verse a power is spoken of that “shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.”** [Verses 31-36, quoted.] {13MR 394.1}

2. Read Daniel 11:31. As we discussed in previous lessons, who does the “daily sacrifice” represent? Daniel 8:13

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See the link below for a study on “the daily” and the “abomination of desolation.”

<https://www.prophecyagain.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Notes/Daniel-8-Part-2.pdf>

3. Who is the abomination that maketh desolate? Daniel 8:13; 11:31

4. When the disciples asked Jesus what will be the signs of the end, what was one subject Jesus told them and us to focus on? Matthew 24:3, 15

5. We will briefly prove that the abomination that maketh desolate is the Papacy. When you do a study on the word “abomination” you will notice that it brings you to the book of Revelation 17. How is the great whore described in Revelation 17:5?

6. A woman represents a church in Bible prophecy (Jeremiah 6:2; Ephesians 5:23; 2 Corinthians 11:2). What church is guilty of killing God’s saints? Revelation 17:6

7. What does the Bible say will be the end result of the Papacy? Revelation 17:16; 18:19

8. Read the following verses and write down another simple definition for the word “abomination.” Deuteronomy 24:4; Jeremiah 32:35.

9. What entity is also described as the man of sin who exalts himself above God? 2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4

10. Read Daniel 11:32. Who is the “he” referring to, which will corrupt by flatteries? Daniel 11:31 (Hint: the last entity mentioned in the verse)

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11. What will “the people that do know their God” do in Daniel 11:32?

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12. What are these exploits according to Daniel 11:33?

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13. What will the Papacy use to corrupt those who do wickedly against the covenant? Daniel 11:32

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14. **Note:** The covenant points to God’s ten commandments (Deuteronomy 4:13). Those who reject God’s commandments will be corrupted or further led astray by the Papacy. The Papacy will also attempt to flatter or bribe God’s faithful people into sin but they will be strong (Philippians 4:13) and go forward to teach others how to resist sin and the Papacy’s deceptions.

15. **Note:** The Bible says that the Papacy will use flatteries to corrupt the wicked. What does the word “flattery” mean? The word flattery means “smoothness” or “fine promises.” See the Hebrew’s Exhaustive Bible Concordance, number 2514.

16. **Note:** Proverbs 5-7 speak about a whorish woman. Since the Papacy is also pictured as a whorish woman in Revelation 17, we will analyze passages in the book of Proverbs through the lenses of the deceptive work of the Papacy.

17. How does Proverbs 5:3 describe the mouth of a strange woman?

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18. Where will following her path lead? Proverbs 5:4-5

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19. What does God say we need to keep in order to be kept from the strange woman? Proverbs 7:1-5

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20. When the strange woman catches a young man, what does she tell the young man she has with her? Proverbs 7:10, 13-14

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21. The woman has peace offerings and wants to make peace with the young man through her smooth talking. On the surface, what is one subject the Papacy constantly seeks to promote? Proverbs 7:14

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a) What does the Bible say she will do through peace? Daniel 8:25

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22. What kind of material did the woman deck her bed with, and where was it from? Proverbs 7:16

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23. What is linen a symbol of in scripture? Revelation 19:8; Isaiah 61:10

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24. **Note:** The linen from the strange woman came from Egypt. Egypt in scripture is known for being an atheistic nation by the words of Pharaoh, "who is the Lord"? (Exodus 5:2). Through her influence, the Papacy is also atheist because their teachings lead people not to accept God's righteousness but their own self-righteousness. See Romans 10:3-4.

25. The strange woman entices the man to unite with her in sin. What reason does she give for this invitation to unite in false love? Proverbs 7:18-19

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26. What event is connected to the goodman of the house? Matthew 24:42-51

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27. **Note:** The Papacy teaches by her false doctrines that it is okay to enjoy yourself in sin because you still will be saved. See the following quotations.

"A prayerful study of the Bible would show Protestants the real character of the papacy and would cause them to abhor and to shun it; but many are so wise in their own conceit that they feel no need of humbly seeking God that they may be led into the truth. Although priding themselves on their enlightenment, they are ignorant both of the Scriptures and of the power of God. They must have some means of quieting their consciences, and they seek that which is least spiritual and humiliating. What they desire is a method of forgetting God which shall pass as a method of remembering Him. **The papacy is well adapted to meet the wants of all these. It is prepared for two classes of mankind, embracing nearly the whole world—those who would be saved by their merits, and those who would be saved in their sins. Here is the secret of its power.**" {GC 572.2}

"The fact that Satan claims that one whom he loved so well, and who hated God so perfectly, is now with the holy apostles and angels in glory, should be enough to remove the veil from all minds and discover to them the dark, mysterious works of Satan. **He virtually says to the world and to infidels, No matter how wicked you are, no matter whether you believe or disbelieve in God or the Bible, live as you please, heaven is your home...**" {EW 91.1}

28. What will the Papacy ultimately do to people with her flatteries? Proverbs 7:21

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a) What crisis will reveal the force of the Papacy against God's people? Revelation 13:15-17

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29. How important is the decision to unite with the Papacy or to unite with God and keep His commandments? Proverbs 7:23; Deuteronomy 30:19

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30. The message of Proverbs 7 is directed to the youth (Proverbs 7:6-7). Who does it say the strange woman has slain? Proverbs 7:26

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31. What strong man ended up being slain because of the influence of an ungodly woman? Judges 16:1, 4-6

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32. In contrast, what were the words of Joseph when he was enticed by an ungodly woman? Genesis 39:9-10

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33. What practical advice is given for us to be strong men and women of God and resist temptation?

a) Proverbs 7:3

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b) Proverbs 6:23-26

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34. In addition to the flattery of the Papacy, what other type of flattery should we avoid so that we can escape the snares of the enemy? Job 32:21-22

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35. As we close, consider these points: God's people, especially the young, should be careful of flattering words which lead to ruin, we should be mindful not to succumb to temptation from ungodly women and men, and we should be careful not to believe the lie that we can live as we please while we are here on earth instead of being prepared for the Second Coming of Jesus.