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DANIEL THE PROPHET - DANIEL 11, PART 10

1. In this Sabbath School Lesson, we will study Daniel 11:43 and see how the Bible prophesies that the Papacy will regain financial and military power 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 11:41-43. We discovered that the “he” in these verses represents the Papacy. Once the Papacy enters the U.S. with her policies to enact a Sunday Law, it will then go to the entire world. At this time, the Papacy will have control over the economic and the military powers of the world. Let us see this same prophetic picture in Revelation 13.

3. For how many prophetic months did the Papacy rule? Revelation 13:5
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4. What did she do to the saints during that time period? Revelation 13:7
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5. What phrase in Revelation 13:10 shows us that she had military power and persecuted the nations?
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6. **Note:** In Revelation 13:3, the Bible says that the deadly wound will be healed. The power she once possessed will be regained, and the events from Revelation 13:5-10 will be repeated.

7. Read Daniel 11:43. From our previous lesson, what was Egypt a symbol of? Ezekiel 32:2
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8. What will the Papacy control? Daniel 11:43
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9. **Note:** Daniel 11:43 is speaking about a time in the future when the Papacy will control the finances of the world. Remember, Daniel 11:39-40 brought us to the years 1798 and 1989. Thus, we can expect the Papacy to regain this power very soon.

10. According to Revelation 18:10-13, what are “the precious things” that will be under the control of the Papacy at the Sunday Law Crisis? Remember that the Papacy is called spiritual and mystery Babylon (Revelation 17:2-6).
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11. Daniel 11:43 mentions that the Papacy will control all the precious things of Egypt. Let us now connect Babylon with the literal nation of Egypt to confirm what the Papacy will control in these last days. Read the last few words of Revelation 18:13. What else will the Papacy have power over?
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12. Just like modern Babylon, what did ancient Egypt have control over?

a) Genesis 47:14 _____

- b) Genesis 47:15 _____
- c) Genesis 47:17 _____
- d) Genesis 47:18-19 _____

13. In Isaiah 39:2-7, how did Babylon get control over the commodities of Israel?

14. **Note:** Just as Hezekiah showed off all of the treasures of Israel to Babylon, likewise the Papacy will get control over the finances and commodities of the world because the nations will willingly give it to her. Even now, the nations of the world acknowledge the Vatican and the Pope as a man of peace and the world's moral leader. America, especially, is touting itself as a land of liberty and a land of great riches and prosperity instead of protesting against the influence of Roman Catholicism among the civil and religious leaders. What we must remember is that the spirit of Babylon/Papacy is the spirit of Satan. In Luke 4:5-6, what did Satan say was delivered or given unto him? It was the kingdoms of the world. Who delivered the kingdoms of the world to him? It was Adam. Just like Adam, through means of deception and transgression, gave his dominion to Satan, so will the Papacy receive power over the world by deceiving the nations.

15. Read Daniel 11:43. What do the Libyans and the Ethiopians represent? Jeremiah 46:9; Ezekiel 38:3-5

16. What does it mean that the Libyans and the Ethiopians will be at his "steps"? **Answer:** The number in the Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, Hebrew Dictionary for steps is 4703. It means companionship, walking together, to march.

17. **Note:** The Bible is telling us in Daniel 11:43 that the Papacy will have the armies of the world at its side to persecute God's people in these last days. Notice that it was a French army that overthrew the Papacy in 1798, giving the Papacy its deadly wound. It will be armies which will help to reestablish her power once again.

18. For what two primary reasons will the Papacy have control over the armies of the world?

19. Revelation 13:12 _____

20. Revelation 13:15 _____

19. **Note:** When the Papacy begins to persecute and kill God's people, we should not fear because Jesus will be our helper! Yes, there will be martyrs, but God will shelter and protect many of His people. Read the following statements for encouragement and to see how God will care for His children. (For context: The quotation from Adventist Home 141.4, about country living, takes place before persecution begins).

"Again and again the Lord has instructed that our people are to take their families away from the cities, into the country, where **they can raise their own provisions; for in the future the problem of buying and selling will be a very serious one.** We should now begin to heed the instruction given us over and over again: Get out of the cities into rural districts, where the houses are not crowded closely together, and where you will be free from the interference of enemies." {AH141.4}

"The Lord has shown me repeatedly that it is contrary to the Bible to make any provision for our temporal wants in **the time of trouble.** I saw that if the saints had food laid up by them or in the field **in the time of trouble,** when sword, famine, and pestilence are in the land, it would be taken from them by violent hands and strangers would reap their fields. Then will be the time for us to trust wholly in God, and He will sustain us. **I saw that our bread and water will be sure at that time, and that we shall not lack or suffer hunger; for God is able to spread a table for us in the wilderness.** If necessary **He would send ravens to feed us, as He did to feed Elijah, or rain manna from heaven, as He did for the Israelites.**" {EW 56.2}

"...**The commencement of that time of trouble,**" here mentioned does not refer **to the time when the plagues** shall begin to be poured out, but to a short period just before they are poured out, while Christ is in the sanctuary. At that time, while the work of salvation is closing, **trouble will be coming on the earth,** and the nations will be angry, yet held in check so as not to prevent the work of the third angel. At that time the "latter rain," or refreshing from the presence of the Lord, will come, to give power to the loud voice of the third angel, and prepare the saints to stand in the period when the seven last plagues shall be poured out." {EW 85.3}

20. **Note:** The Bible shows us the same story about the Papacy controlling the civil and the military powers of the world in the account of King Herod, Herodias, and Salome. John the Baptist was a protestant who was protesting against the adultery and sins of Herod and Herodias (Matthew 14:3-4; Revelation 17:2, 5). Herodias, a profligate woman just like the Papacy (Revelation 17:2-6), controlled the civil and military power, to persecute God's servant, through her daughter Salome.

21. After Salome danced, what did Herod swear to give her? Mark 6:22-23 (Note: This shows us that Herodias through Salome has access to the civil power).

22. What did Salome ask for instead of half of the kingdom? Mark 6:24-25 (Note: This shows us that Herodias through Salome had control over the military power).

23. **Note:** Since we know that the Papacy will regain control of the economic and military powers of the world, we as Bible believing Christians need to make sure we are enlisted in God's army. As we close, read the following scriptures to discover the ways in which we can be "in step" with Jesus, in order to be in His army.

24. 1 Peter 2:21-25 _____

25. Psalm 119:133 _____

26. Psalm 18:32-36 _____

27. Psalm 73:2, 3 _____

28. Psalm 37:23-25, 31 _____

29. Job 23:10-12 _____
