

Lesson IV  
Part II cvi  
Daniel's 70th Week

Introduction:

1. We have looked at Matthew 24 and Luke 21 as an introduction to Daniel's 70th week.
2. We are now looking at Part 2 of Daniel's 70<sup>th</sup> week
  - a. The "A" part of this lesson dealt with "The Purpose of Daniel's prayers."
  - b. The "B" Part of this shows us the dreams and visions of Daniel in chapter 7 and 8.

II. Daniel's prophecy concerning his 70th week.

C. Interpretations of these dreams and visions

**Note:** In chapter 7, Daniel had four visions in one night.

**Note:** We also saw in chapter 7 that the Saints (Israel) of the Most High shall possess the kingdom forever

**Note:** The four beast in chapter 7 refer to kingdoms in the past with the fourth beast being both past and future as we see all the kingdoms that opposed Daniel's people being composed in the final kingdom known as the revived Roman empire and the antichrist kingdom.

13. Let us trace the Little Horn or Antichrist by looking at the two visions John had of the Beast.

a. Look at John's two visions

i. Revelations 13:1-7

1) KJV...

1) And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. 2) And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. 3) And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. 4) And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him? 5) And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto

him to continue forty and two months. 6) And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. 7) 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.

## 2) Nlt...

1) Then I saw a beast rising up out of the sea. It had seven heads and ten horns, with ten crowns on its horns. And written on each head were names that blasphemed God. 2) This beast looked like a leopard, but it had the feet of a bear and the mouth of a lion! And the dragon gave the beast his own power and throne and great authority. 3) I saw that one of the heads of the beast seemed wounded beyond recovery—but the fatal wound was healed! The whole world marveled at this miracle and gave allegiance to the beast. 4) They worshiped the dragon for giving the beast such power, and they also worshiped the beast. “Who is as great as the beast?” they exclaimed. “Who is able to fight against him?” 5) Then the beast was allowed to speak great blasphemies against God. And he was given authority to do whatever he wanted for forty-two months. 6) And he spoke terrible words of blasphemy against God, slandering his name and his dwelling—that is, those who dwell in heaven. 7) And the beast was allowed to wage war against God’s holy people and to conquer them. And he was given authority to rule over every tribe and people and language and nation.

## ii. Revelations 17:3, 7-17

### 1) Kjv...

3) So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns...7) And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns. 8) The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. 9) And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth. 10) And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. 11) And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition. 12) And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings one hour with the beast. 13) These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. 14) These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful. 15) And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues. 16) And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire. 17) For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to

agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be

2) Nlt...

3) So the angel took me in the Spirit into the wilderness. There I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast that had seven heads and ten horns, and blasphemies against God were written all over it...7) "Why are you so amazed?" the angel asked. "I will tell you the mystery of this woman and of the beast with seven heads and ten horns on which she sits. 8) The beast you saw was once alive but isn't now. And yet he will soon come up out of the bottomless pit and go to eternal destruction. And the people who belong to this world, whose names were not written in the Book of Life before the world was made, will be amazed at the reappearance of this beast who had died. 9) "This calls for a mind with understanding: The seven heads of the beast represent the seven hills where the woman rules. They also represent seven kings. 10) Five kings have already fallen, the sixth now reigns, and the seventh is yet to come, but his reign will be brief. 11) "The scarlet beast that was, but is no longer, is the eighth king. He is like the other seven, and he, too, is headed for destruction. 12) The ten horns of the beast are ten kings who have not yet risen to power. They will be appointed to their kingdoms for one brief moment to reign with the beast. 13) They will all agree to give him their power and authority. 14) Together they will go to war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will defeat them because he is Lord of all lords and King of all kings. And his called and chosen and faithful ones will be with him." 15) Then the angel said to me, "The waters where the prostitute is ruling represent masses of people of every nation and language. 16) The scarlet beast and his ten horns all hate the prostitute. They will strip her naked, eat her flesh, and burn her remains with fire. 17) For God has put a plan into their minds, a plan that will carry out his purposes. They will agree to give their authority to the scarlet beast, and so the words of God will be fulfilled.

- b. It is important to note that the descriptions given to the "beast" in these two passages have "dual" meanings.
  - i. The "beast" represents the Revived Roman Empire and
  - ii. The "beast" represents the "Imperial Head" of the Revived Roman Empire which is the "antichrist."
  - iii. As the "Revived Roman Empire" the "beast" is seen coming up out of the "sea" which is representative of the "sea of nations."

**Note** Revelations 13:1

i. Kjv...

And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

ii. Ce...

I looked and saw a beast coming up from the sea. This one had ten horns and seven heads, and a crown was on each of its ten horns. On each of its heads were names that were an insult to God.

iii. Nlt...

Then I saw a beast rising up out of the sea. It had seven heads and ten horns, with ten crowns on its horns. And written on each head were names that blasphemed God.

iv. As the antichrist, the beast comes out of the “abyss.”

1) Notice this phrase in v8:

The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition:

2) This must be referencing a person or a spirit, not a nation which both Larkin and Dake agree

c. Let us consider these thoughts

i. Must distinguish between the body of the beast and its heads and horns

ii. The body of this beast is that of a Leopard with the feet of a Bear and the mouth of a Lion

iii. As you look at the body of this beast, it reveals to us that the Revived Roman Empire in its “last stage” will include the characteristics of the three wild beast of Daniel 7.

1) A Lion which is Babylon

2) A Bear which is Persia

3) A Leopard which is Greece

iv. Now notice that this beast in Revelations 13 has the “body of a leopard,” and since “the body” is the largest part of the beast then the prevailing characteristic of the “Revived Roman Empire” will be Grecian.

v. Both Dake and Larkin agree that the “antichrist” kingdom will be out of the old Grecian kingdom.

vi. Now look at v8 again

The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition:

- 1) I agree with Dake that his is referencing a supernatural satanic prince
- 2) Dake says that this satanic prince ruled one of the previous five kingdoms which had fallen before the rise of the Roman Empire and those kingdoms are
  - a) Egypt,
  - b) Assyria,
  - c) Babylon,
  - d) Medo-Persia
  - e) Grecian
- vii. This could not refer to the Roman Empire because John is writing this during the time of the Roman Empire
  - 1) “Which was” is before Rome
  - 2) “Which is not” means that this satanic prince is not presently in power
  - 3) “Which shall ascend out of the bottomless pit” is referring to a time in the future when this satanic prince will once again be loosed to revive one of the former five kingdoms before the Roman Empire.
  - 4) “Which shall go into perdition” shows us that it is not a kingdom for kingdoms are destroyed for persons and spirits goes into perdition

**Note:** Perdition is eternal punishment

- viii. This satanic prince will be guided by satan to dominate the antichrist and exalt him as the eighth and last kingdom at the end of the age
  - 1) Look at v10-11...

10) And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. 11) And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.

- 3) This demonic spirit will control the antichrist making him the embodiment of wickedness and the manifestation of satanic power.

ix. This satanic prince is represented three ways by this beast that John saw

- 1) It is the beast out of the abyss which causes the rise of antichrist (17:8)
- 2) The antichrist is represented by the beast out of the sea of humanity which will revive and form the beast, the eighth kingdom. (7:1)
- 3) The beast also symbolizes the eighth kingdom which is known as the antichrist kingdom.

**Note:** These three things make up the powers represented by this one symbol, the beast.

d. Comparison of the Beast in chapter 13 and 17 and then back to Daniel 8

i. In Revelations 13:1, the Beast comes up out of the Sea with seven heads and ten horns, and the Horns are crowned.

- 1) According to Larkin, this represents the Beast at the height of its power when it has all its' heads.
- 2) Notice that the "Horns" are crowned which indicates that the Beast is in its' full power of the Beast

ii. Now, look at Revelations 17

1) In v3, we see a beast with 7 heads and 10 horns with a woman riding him, but notice that the horns are not crowned.

2) Now, notice v12

- a) The ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings
- b) These kings have received no kingdom as yet
- c) These kings will receive power as kings one hour with the beast.

**Note** v12 in the Nlt...

The ten horns of the beast are ten kings who have not yet risen to power. They will be appointed to their kingdoms for one brief moment to reign with the beast.

- d) Because the horns are not crowned in chapter 17, Larkin indicates that parts of this chapter will take place during the 1<sup>st</sup> three and ½ years of the Tribulation.

iii. Let us look in detail at chapter 17, using the Nlt.

- 1) v1 tells us that John is being shown the judgment that is to come on the “great prostitute” which rules over many waters

**Note:** Many scholars feel that this woman represents the Catholic church who has its head in Rome

- 2) In v2, we see that “the kings of the world have committed adultery with her.”
- 3) Also, in v2, we find “the people who belong to this world have been made drunk by the wine of her immorality.”

**Note:** Remember that the church at Pergamos and Thyatira church ages were during the time of the Dark ages, and the Sardis church age was coming out of the Dark ages. It was during this time that Catholicism was dominate even controlling nations.

**Note:** Who are the people that belong to this world?

- 4) Notice in v3 that the woman is “sitting” on the scarlet beast that has seven heads, ten horns, and blasphemes God.

**Note:** Sitting on the beast indicates control, so many feel that the somehow or another a religious entity will help the antichrist come into power.

- 5) In v4, we see that she wears “purple and scarlet clothing and beautiful jewelry made of gold and precious gems and pearls,” which is representative of the clothing that pope and cardinals wore
- 6) Now look at v4a-v6, and then we will examine them

4a) ...In her hand she held a gold goblet full of obscenities and the impurities of her immorality. 5) A mysterious name was written on her forehead: “Babylon the Great, Mother of All Prostitutes and Obscenities in the World.” 6) I could see that she was drunk—drunk with the blood of God’s holy people who were witnesses for Jesus. I stared at her in complete amazement.

- a) Semiramis who is identified as both mother and wife of Nimrod began the worship of mother and child which was later instituted into the Catholic church at Rome
  - i) She was called the goddess Rhea in Babylon
  - ii) In Ezekiel 8:14, the son of Rhea, “the great goddess mother” is called Tammuz which corresponds with Nimrod.
  - iii) Isis and Osiris in Egypt are known as mother and son or husband

- b) In the old Babylonian culture, people confessed to the priest which was carried to the Catholic church at Rome as well, and by this, the priests could control nations since they knew the secrets of the leaders.
- c) Therefore mystery Babylon is a religious system that moved from Babylon to Rome and into the church.
- d) Notice that in v6, it speaks of her being “drunk with the blood of God’s holy people who were witnesses for Jesus,” and we know that Rome the kingdom and following that the Catholic church martyred many Christians.
- e) It is interesting to note that Pope Leo XII in 1825 struck a medal bearing on the one side his own image, and on the other side, an image symbolizing the Church of Rome as a “woman” who holding in her left hand a cross and in her right hand a cup with the following words, “sedet super universum,” which means “the whole world is her seat.”

**Note:** The Two Babylons by Reverend Alexander Hislop

- f) The woman is riding the beast and the beast the ten kings hate her
- g) After the ten kings receive their crowns for a short while, they will destroy this woman or this religious system by taking her power and authority from her
- h) Look at v16...

And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.

- i) Eat her flesh could be referring to confiscating her wealth
- ii) Burn her with fire could be referring to the burning of her churches and cathedrals

**Note:** Many identify this woman and “Mystery Babylon” as the religious system known as the Catholic church.

- i. I personally feel that a “religious system” will help the antichrist gain power, and in doing so, she will be riding or guiding the antichrist kingdom at the first.
- ii. As you consider this, you have to remember that Rome was divided by Constantine into two legs which was West and East Roman Empire

- iii. Today, this Eastern part of the Roman Empire is most Moslem, and somehow or another, I cannot help but think and feel that they will have a part to play in all that transpires around the antichrist coming into power.

7) Now, look at verses 7-8

7) “Why are you so amazed?” the angel asked. “I will tell you the mystery of this woman and of the beast with seven heads and ten horns on which she sits. 8) The beast you saw was once alive but isn’t now. And yet he will soon come up out of the bottomless pit and go to eternal destruction. And the people who belong to this world, whose names were not written in the Book of Life before the world was made, will be amazed at the reappearance of this beast who had died.

- a) In v8, we read that the beast was once alive but isn’t now
  - i) It seems that this demonic spirit that turns this leader into a person with a beastly heart and actions comes from the bottomless pit as seen in v8.
  - ii) Once alive or unbound seems to be the demonic spirit that was behind the Grecian empire
  - iii) Just when this demonic spirit was bound, I do not know, but it could be after Alexander the Great died.
  - iv) We do know that under Antiochus IV known as Antiochus Epiphanes the Jewish people were badly mistreated.
  - v) Antiochus Epiphanes set an idol in the temple and offered swine on God’s altar which resulted in the Maccabean revolt.
  - vi) Judah Maccabees led this revolt against the Seleucid Empire and the Hellenistic influence on Jewish life.

**Note** this paragraph from Wikipedia

When Judea fell under the authority of the Seleucid Empire, the process of Hellenization was enforced by law. This effectively meant requiring pagan religious practice. In 167 BCE Jewish sacrifice was forbidden, sabbaths and feasts were banned and circumcision was outlawed. Altars to Greek gods were set up and animals prohibited to Jews were sacrificed on them. The Olympian Zeus was placed on the altar of the Temple. Possession of Jewish scriptures was made a capital offense.

- b) After looking at all of this, isn’t it possible this “demonic beastly spirit” was bound to the bottomless pit for a later time?

- c) We know that this same general area is where the Antichrist, who is later called the Beast, will come, for the Little Horn rises out of one of the four horns that followed Alexander the Great, and we know that this little Horn is called the Assyrian in Isaiah.
- d) Therefore, I conclude that this “beast” that was, but isn’t, but will appear again and then go into perdition is the “demonic prince” that inspired the Grecian Empire and the Seleucid Empire and which constitutes the body of the beast in the vision.
- e) Look at v8a in these versions

i) KJV...

The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition:

ii) NLT...

The beast you saw was once alive but isn’t now. And yet he will soon come up out of the bottomless pit and go to eternal destruction.

iii) CE...

The beast you saw is one that used to be and no longer is. It will come back from the deep pit, but only to be destroyed.

**Note:** This “demonic prince” will be eternally bound in the “lake of fire”

8) Now, let us look at v9-14

- a) v9a...“This calls for a mind with understanding: (wisdom...kjkv)
- b) v9b...The seven heads of the beast represent the seven hills where the woman rules.
- c) v9c...They ( seven heads) also represent seven kings.

**Note:** Some of these verses could refer to seven kingdoms and also seven rulers of Rome like Nero.

d) v10a...Five kings have already fallen

**Note:** The five which have already fallen are Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Persia, and Greece

e) v10b...The sixth now reigns which would be Rome.

f) v10c...The seventh is yet to come, but his reign will be brief.

**Note:** The seventh will be the Antichrist kingdom during the first three and ½ years of the Tribulation

g) v11a...The scarlet beast that was, but is no longer, is the eighth king.

i) Look at v11 in the Kjv...

And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.

ii) The eighth is of the seventh

iii) The ruler during the 1<sup>st</sup> three and ½ years becomes the eighth as the “demonic prince” is released from the bottomless pit to manipulate and use the antichrist for his own purposes.

iv) Look at Revelations 13:7...

And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

v) He is of the seventh, which means, that he be the same guy as the 7<sup>th</sup> who is wounded either physically or politically, but revives which causes the world to be amazed by him.

vi) His survival of being raised from the dead or near death experience either physically or politically is where the antichrist imitates the resurrection of Christ which causes the world to “wonder after the beast” which adds to his prestige and power.

vii) It seems that this will happen at the middle of the week which is the time that the dragon will be cast out of heaven which accounts for the great change in the antichrist.

h) v11b...He is like the other seven (A man)

i) v11c...He , too, is headed for destruction.

j) v12a...The ten horns of the beast are ten kings who have not yet risen to power.

k) v12b...They will be appointed to their kingdoms for one brief moment to reign with the beast.

l) v13...They will all agree to give him their power and authority.

m) v14...

Together they will go to war against the Lamb, but the Lamb will defeat them because he is Lord of all lords and King of all kings. And his called and chosen and faithful ones will be with him.

9) v15...

Then the angel said to me, “The waters where the prostitute is ruling represent masses of people of every nation and language.

10) v16-18...

a) v16...

The scarlet beast and his ten horns all hate the prostitute. They will strip her naked, eat her flesh, and burn her remains with fire.

b) v17...

For God has put a plan into their minds, a plan that will carry out his purposes. They will agree to give their authority to the scarlet beast, and so the words of God will be fulfilled.

c) v18...

And this woman you saw in your vision represents the great city that rules over the kings of the world.”

14. Consider these summary statements

- a. Before his wound, the antichrist seems to be a good leader, but after his recovery from the wound he becomes satanic which is the result of the “dragon” possessing him with the satanic prince from the bottomless pit.
- b. It is at this time that he breaks the “Covenant” and desecrates the rebuilt temple at Jerusalem by setting up the “abomination of desolation.”
  - i. Daniel 9:27.

And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

- ii. Matthew 24:15...

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:)

iii. This abomination of desolation will be an idol image of himself as seen in Revelations 13:11-15

11) And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. 12) And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed. 13) And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, 14) And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live. 15) And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

- c. As the little horn of Daniel's fourth wild beast, the antichrist will destroy three of the ten kings and firmly establish himself in the place of power which will happen somewhere around the middle of the tribulation period.
- d. The antichrist does not form the federation of ten kingdoms but is the outgrowth of this federation
- e. Now, when we
  - i. Compare the similarity of the conduct of Daniel's "little horn," Paul's "man of sin," and John's "Beast," and
  - ii. Notice that John's "beast" and Daniel's "little horn" are to continue for the same length of time which is 42 months or 3 ½ years
  - iii. Notice that Daniel's Little horn, Paul's man of sin, and John's beast are all to be destroyed in the same manner at Christ's "second Coming."
  - iv. Observing the above, we conclude that they are all the same "evil power" which is after the "working of satan" which John in 1<sup>st</sup> John 2:18 calls "the antichrist."

**Note:** We are seeing "three symbolic personages" that come upon the stage of action at the same time, occupy the same territory, exhibit the same character, do the same work, exist the same length of time, and meet the same fate, they must symbolize the same thing or same person

Conclusion

1. Let us take a quick overview of the antichrist

- a. He is the last earthly Ruler
- b. He will be a “composite man” as seen from the description of the “Leopard like Beast with its feet like a bear and its lion mouth and its ten horns.

**Note:** Composite means multiple, merged, combined, amalgamated which means that merged into this one ruler, the antichrist, will be some of the characteristics of previous empires that oppressed the Jewish nation.

- c. This ruler will have the combined abilities and powers of Nebuchadnezzar, Xerxes, Alexander the Great, and Caesar Augustus which will be augmented (increased, enlarged) by the power of the dragon.

- d. This ruler will be gifted with a personality that will attract unregenerate men

- e. This ruler

- i. Will have a personality that has an irresistible fascination
- ii. Will have versatile attainments and superhuman wisdom
- iii. Will have administrative and executive ability
- iv. Will be a consummate flatterer and a brilliant diplomatist
- v. Will be a superb strategist
- vi. Will be conspicuous and prominent among men
- vii. Has all these gifts conferred on him by satan
- viii. Will be the masterpiece and tool of satan.

- f. The antichrist will be something of a superman

- i. He will intoxicate men with strong delusions and his never-varying success
- ii. When he “is slain and rises again,” he will still have all his powers and in addition, he will be embodied with all kinds of wickedness and blasphemy

**Note:** Isn't it amazing that the world today rejects Christ who gives eternal salvation but will quickly and readily accept the antichrist who brings them into eternal damnation and by rejecting and refusing Christ the Lamb of God they will receive the beast.

## 2. The False Prophet

- a. Daniel did not see the companion of “the little horn,” which is “the false prophet,” but John sees him in the revelation Christ gave him.
- b. In Revelations 13, we see two different beasts
  - i. The 1<sup>st</sup> beast comes out of the Sea in v1, and this beast is the antichrist.
  - ii. The 2<sup>nd</sup> beast comes out of the earth in verses 11-18, and he is known as the false prophet
- c. Look at this 2<sup>nd</sup> beast
  - i. v11...He has two horns like a lamb, but speaks like a dragon
  - ii. This 2<sup>nd</sup> beast is “lamb-like” in appearance, but has a voice like a dragon
  - iii. Coming out of the earth signifies that he rises up from among the people in like manner as the 1<sup>st</sup> beast, antichrist comes out of the sea and both refer to people or nations.
  - iv. Two horns like a lamb indicates that he is trying to imitate Christ
- d. This 2<sup>nd</sup> beast, whom we call the false prophet
  - i. v12...Exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him
  - ii. v12...Causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.
  - iii. v13. Doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,
  - iv. v14...Deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast;
  - v. v14...Tells those...that dwell on the earth that they should make an image to the beast...
  - v. v15...Has power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak
  - vi. v15...Will cause those that do not worship the image of the beast should be killed.
  - vii. v16...Will cause all..to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

viii. v17... Will set up an economic system that only does business with those who have the mark, and if they have not the mark, they are martyred.

- e. The antichrist will be a king that rules over a kingdom, and the false prophet will be exalt the antichrist as the Holy Spirit exalted Christ.

**Note:** It is important to take notice that both the antichrist and the false prophet will be cast alive into the lake of fire as seen in Revelations 19:20.

20) And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

### 3. The satanic trinity

- a. This is satan's imitation of the Divine Trinity
- b. You have the following in this satanic trinity
  - i. The dragon, anti-God who is invisible and works behind the scene giving power to the beast and the false prophet.
  - ii. The beast, anti-Christ has covenanted with the dragon to receive the kingdoms of the world so that he can rule and the dragon be worshipped.
  - iii. The false prophet, anti-Spirit who promotes the worship of the antichrist which in essence is promoting the worship of satan.

**Note:** We have traced the little horn to Revelations, so now, let us go back to the 8<sup>th</sup> chapter of the book of Daniel where we see "the Ram and the He-Goat."

**Note:** Beginning with chapter 8 and throughout the rest of Daniel, it is written in Hebrew.

- i. Larkin says that chapter 1 through chapter 2:4 are written in Hebrew because this section of Daniel deals with the Fall of Jerusalem and the Captivity of Israel.
- ii. Chapter 2:4 to the end of chapter 7 is written in Aramaic because the part of Daniel relates to the Gentile World powers.
- iii. Chapter 8:1 to the end of the book is in Hebrew because it has direct reference to the Jews, Jerusalem, and the Sanctuary (Temple) and the terrible Roman Emperor (Antichrist) who will desecrate the Sanctuary and persecute the Jews.
- iv. The purpose of these visions was to show Daniel what would befall his people, the Jews, in the "latter days."