

Studies In The Book Of Daniel
“The Resolute Man”

Lesson 22

Read Daniel 11:14 – 28 (NKJ & NLT)

Introduction: Back and forth the battle went, now centered in Israel. Finally Antiochus V came on the scene, determined to solve the problem once for all. So he persuaded the Greeks to join him in invading Egypt once again. As tensions ease, Antiochus said to the house of Ptolemy, “I’ve got a beautiful daughter: you have a son. I’ll ship my daughter down to you in Egypt. She’ll hang out there, waiting for your son to grow up, and then they can be married”. What he was really after; however, was to place his daughter inside the palace of the Ptolemy’s to act as a spy. The women’s name? Cleopatra. It was a good idea until Cleopatra actually fell in love and refused to spy on the house of Ptolemy.

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1. How can the culture of this world influence the way you think and live?

- What do you learn from 1 John 2:15 – 17 about the world?

- According to Galatians 1:4 and John 3:16 – 17 what did Jesus do when He came into the world?

According to Daniel 11:19 – 20 in 187 B.C., the next Antiochus announced that he would send 1,000 tax collectors throughout the Syrian Empire to tax the people. But someone slipped some poisonous mushrooms into his dinner and he died. All this sets the stage for the remainder of the chapter.

2. It would appear that throughout history nobody liked taxes being raised and no one liked tax collectors. However, according to Matthew 9: 9 – 13 who did Jesus call and what was his response?

- What do you learn from this phrase “*I desire mercy and not sacrifice*”? What does it mean?

Now the year is 175 B.C. Out of these two groups of people, one individual emerges: Antiochus Epiphanes, a very important person prophetically, for he is a picture, a foreshadowing of one who is even more vile: antichrist.

3. According to Daniel 11:21 – 24 what are some of the characteristics of Antiochus Epiphanes?

- What was Antiochus Epiphanes plan according to Daniel 11:24? How does this compare with the future antichrist according to 1 Thessalonians 5: 3 and 2 Thessalonians 2: 9 – 12?

4. Daniel 11:26 reads *“those who eat of the portion of his delicacies shall destroy him”*. What understanding and wisdom can you receive from Proverbs 23:1 – 3?

5. What insights do you learn from Daniel 11: 27 – 28 about these two men and what will Antiochus Epiphanes do on the way back to his home land?

- According to Luke 21: 20 – 24 what did Jesus foretell and warn His people Israel about?

- What should be our prayer according to Luke 21: 36?