#### Life Lessons

#### 1. God is large and in charge.

This chapter takes our understanding of God's sovereignty over history to a new level. It is a detailed description of history.

We may not understand why God allows adversity in our lives but we know he is sovereign over it and will use it to advance his glory through us.

# 2. Since the Bible was <u>precise</u> in what it said about the past, we can trust it is <u>precise</u> in what it says about the future.

Much of what we learned about Antiochus Epiphanies of the past will be true of the final antichrist in the future. The final antichrist will take it to a new level.

### 3. God is sovereign over those who do evil.

God is not the author of sin but he is sovereign over sin and will use it to bring him glory.

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GOD IS LARGE AND IN CHARGE Daniel 11 From Ancient History to the Antichrist

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Daniel 11

# Wars Between Kings of Svria and Egypt

"And now I will show you the truth. Behold, three more kings shall arise in Persia, and a fourth shall be far richer than all of them. And when he has become strong through his riches, he shall stir up all against the kingdom of Greece. Daniel 11:2 (ESV)

Then a mighty king shall arise, who shall rule with great dominion and do as he wills. And as soon as he has arisen, his kingdom shall be broken and divided toward the four winds of heaven, but not to his posterity, nor according to the authority with which he ruled, for his kingdom shall be plucked up and go to others besides these. Daniel 11:3–4 (ESV)

"Then the king of the south shall be strong, but one of his princes shall be stronger than he and shall rule, and his authority shall be a great authority. After some years they shall make an alliance, and the daughter of the king of the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement. But she shall not retain the strength of her arm, and he and his arm shall not endure, but she shall be given up, and her attendants, he who fathered her, and he who supported her in those times. Daniel 11:5–6 (ESV)

Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God. 2 Thessalonians 2:3–4 (ESV)

The coming of the lawless one is by the activity of Satan with all power and false signs and wonders, 2 Thessalonians 2:9 (ESV)

He shall honor the god of fortresses instead of these... Daniel 11:38 (ESV)

"At the time of the end, the king of the south shall attack him, but the king of the north shall rush upon him like a whirlwind, with chariots and horsemen, and with many ships. And he shall come into countries and shall overflow and pass through. He shall come into the glorious land. And tens of thousands shall fall, but these shall be delivered out of his hand: Edom and Moab and the main part of the Ammonites. Daniel 11:40–41 (ESV)

And he shall pitch his palatial tents between the sea and the glorious holy mountain. Yet he shall come to his end, with none to help him. Daniel 11:45 (ESV)

And then the lawless one will be revealed, whom the Lord Jesus will kill with the breath of his mouth and bring to nothing by the appearance of his coming. 2 Thessalonians 2:8 (ESV)

"And from a branch from her roots one shall arise in his place. He shall come against the army and enter the fortress of the king of the north, and he shall deal with them and shall prevail. He shall also carry off to Egypt their gods with their metal images and their precious vessels of silver and gold, and for some years he shall refrain from attacking the king of the north. Daniel 11:7–8 (ESV)

And he shall stir up his power and his heart against the king of the south with a great army. And the king of the south shall wage war with an exceedingly great and mighty army, but he shall not stand, for plots shall be devised against him. Even those who eat his food shall break him. His army shall be swept away, and many shall fall down slain. Daniel 11:25–26 (ESV)

# The Terrifying Reign of Antiochus Epiphanies

"Then shall arise in his place one who shall send an exactor of tribute for the glory of the kingdom. But within a few days he shall be broken, neither in anger nor in battle. In his place shall arise a contemptible person to whom royal majesty has not been given. He shall come in without warning and obtain the kingdom by flatteries. Daniel 11:20–21 (ESV)

"At the time appointed he shall return and come into the south, but it shall not be this time as it was before. For ships of Kittim shall come against him, and he shall be afraid and withdraw, and shall turn back and be enraged and take action against the holy covenant. He shall turn back and pay attention to those who forsake the holy covenant. Daniel 11:29–30 (ESV)

Armies shall be utterly swept away before him and broken, even the prince of the covenant. Daniel 11:22 (ESV) Forces from him shall appear and profane the temple and fortress, and shall take away the regular burnt offering. And they shall set up the abomination that makes desolate. Daniel 11:31 (ESV)

Without warning he shall come into the richest parts of the province, and he shall do what neither his fathers nor his fathers' fathers have done, scattering among them plunder, spoil, and goods. He shall devise plans against strongholds, but only for a time. Daniel 11:24 (ESV)

# The Dreaded Final Antichrist

"And the king shall do as he wills. <u>He shall exalt himself and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak astonishing things against the God of gods</u>. He shall prosper till the indignation is accomplished; for what is decreed shall be done. He shall pay no attention to the gods of his fathers, or to the one beloved by women. <u>He shall not pay attention to any other god, for he shall magnify himself above all. Daniel 11:36–37 (ESV)</u>

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