

“The Antichrist’s Rise, Reign and Ruin!”

(Daniel 7:19-28)

I. Introduction: Review

A. Daniel

- Content: History – Prophecy
- Language: Hebrew – Aramaic – Hebrew
- Focus: Introduction – Gentile Nations – Israel
- Interpreter: Daniel - Angel

B. Daniel 7:1-18

- The beasts: Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece ...
- The Ancient of Days – God the Father
- The Son of Man – Jesus Christ

II. Exposition: Daniel 7:19-28

A. The **inquiry** of Daniel (7:19-22)

1. The meaning of the fourth beast (v. 19)
2. The meaning of the ten horns (v. 20a)
3. The meaning of the little horn (vv. 20b-21)
4. The meaning of the fifth kingdom (v. 22)

B. The **interpretation** given to Daniel (7:23-27)

1. The interpretation of the fourth beast (v. 23)
 - a. Fourth kingdom on earth
 - b. Worldwide dominion
 - c. Devour, tread down and crush
2. The interpretations of the ten horns (v. 24a)
3. The interpretation of the little horn (vv. 24b-26)
 - a. His **rise** (v. 24b)
 - Walter Cronkite comment
 - Paul-Henri Spaak comment
 - 2 Thessalonians 2
 - Revelation 13

b. His **reign** (v. 25)

- Blaspheme
- Persecute
- Alter time and law
- Time, times, ½ time = 3 ½ years
 - Daniel 9:27
 - Revelation 11:2-3; 13:5

c. His **ruin** (v. 26)

- Daniel 7, 8, 9, 11; Ezekiel 21, 28; 2 Thessalonians 2; Revelation 13-20
- Revelation 19:19-21; 20:10
- A. W. Pink comment

4. The interpretation of the fifth kingdom (v. 27)

C. The **impact** on Daniel (7:28)

1. Alarmed and face grew pale
2. Kept the matter to himself

III. Conclusion: The Antichrist and The Risen Christ

- What not to do ...
- What to do ...

Questions to reflect on individually and discuss in Small Groups:

1. What stuck out to you from the message? (What’s your keeper?)
2. Why is it that we, as people in general, and Christians in particular, are so interested in the study of the “End Times”/prophecy?
3. In what ways are you seeing a departure from a Biblical worldview and a Biblical morality in our culture and world?
4. What did you learn about the Antichrist? How can you apply that knowledge in your walk with the Risen Christ?
5. What stuck out to you from the conclusion?
6. Finish this sentence with the primary thing that God is leading you to do: “In light of these passages and this discussion, I will ...” (What is your action point?)