

The Reputation of the Antichrist

Introduction:

In this message let us look at the nature of this superman of Satan:

1. He will be anti-God!

A. He will hate God!

Daniel 7:25

Daniel 11:36

2 Thessalonians 2:4

Revelation 13:6

Daniel 8:25 (compare Revelation 19:19)

B. He will hate what God loves!

(1) He will hate the saints of God

Daniel 7:25

Revelation 13:7

(2) He will hate the chosen people of God! (Jews)

Daniel 8:24

He will lure them into a peace treaty that is a death trap for Israel!

Daniel 8:25; 9:27

Matthew 24:15-21

Revelation 12:13-17

He will attempt to “divide the land.”

Daniel 11:39

This will be “the time of Jacob’s trouble.”

Jeremiah 30:7 (compare Daniel 12:1)

The direct assault on Israel comes at Armageddon

Revelation 16:12-16 (compare Zech. 12-14)

(3) He will hate all that is good.

A man of war- Daniel 11:38-39

No honor for women- Dan. 11:37

A man of the occult (he is in league with Satan)- Daniel 8:23; Revelation 13

A man of deceit- Daniel 8:25

A man with a strange god that is forced upon
the world- Daniel 11:37-39; Rev. 13:11-15

(4) He will exalt another god

“honor the god of forces.”- Dan. 11:38

honor a god ‘whom his fathers knew not.’- Dan. 11:38

exalt “a strange [foreign] god” Dan. 11:39

declare himself to be the incarnation of that
god and demand global worship

Daniel 11:37

2 Thessalonians 2:4

Revelation 13:4-5

2. He will be an ungodly, evil, wicked man, controlled by Satan!

A. He will be evil!

2 Thessalonians 2:8-9

Daniel 11:36

2 Thessalonians 2:3

2 Thessalonians 2:3- compared to Revelation 17:8, 11 see also Revelation 9:11

B. He will be controlled by the Devil

Revelation 13:2, 4

Example: Judas- John 13:2, 26

Revelation 12:9-12

Revelation 13:2-4; 17:8

C. He will be deceptive.

In contrast to Jesus, Who is truth (John 14:6)

A master of deception

Daniel 8:25

Matthew 24:4-5, 11, 24

The manner of his deception:

A resurrection from the dead- Rev. 13:3, 12

A multiplication of miracles and wonders-

2 Thessalonians 2:9

A real wizard- Daniel 8:23

A mesmerizing oratory charisma- Rev.13:5

The magnitude of his deception:

It will be a global deception.- Revelation 13:14

Conclusions:

There will be four reasons why the Antichrist's deception will be so effective:

(1) Universal ignorance of God's Word

2 Thessalonians 2:3

2 Thessalonians 2:10

(2) Fierce demonic activity

1 Timothy 4:1

(3) The empty souls of men

Luke 11:24-26

(4) The judgment of God

2 Thessalonians 2:11

The Antichrist is coming!

The Islamic hope for a coming Messiah seems to fit the Biblical role of the Antichrist!

Our reaction to all of this!- see Daniel 7:28

Revelation 10:8-11