

UNRAVELLING THE BOOK OF REVELATION | SESSION 42 (PART 2)

# THE ANTICHRIST

REVELATION 13:1-10 | *PART 2*



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Last session we shared about the Antichrist from Revelation 13:1-10. Today, we will talk about the overview of this man Antichrist, the nine names of the Antichrist, and his six primary activities. We will also answer this intriguing question,

## **“WHO RAISED UP THE ANTICHRIST?”**





*FIVE THINGS ABOUT THE  
ANTICHRIST FROM THE BIBLE:*

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**THE ANTICHRIST WILL BE THE MOST BRILLIANT,  
MOST POWERFUL, AND MOST EVIL POLITICAL  
LEADER THE WORLD HAS EVER SEEN.**

He will lead the world into the fullness of transgressions (Dan. 8:23). There are seven aspects of his brilliance where he will be a:

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### **MILITARY GENIUS**

He will fight and win many wars  
(Rev. 6:2; 13:2; Dan. 8:24-25; 11:38-39).

2

### **ORATORICAL GENIUS**

His charismatic speech will convince and move many because of demonic empowerment. Hitler is a foreshadow who displayed such oratorical ability.

3

### **POLITICAL GENIUS**

The Antichrist will form alliances and he knows how to manoeuvre in the political realm (Rev. 13:8,12; 17:11-13; Dan. 7:23-24). The ten-nation confederation will give him their political support.

4

#### **BUSINESS AND COMMERCIAL GENIUS**

He will be rich (Dan. 8:24; 11:36,43; Rev. 13:16-17).

5

#### **RELIGIOUS GENIUS**

He will understand and operate powerfully in the spiritual realm (2 Thes. 2:4; Rev. 13:8,12).

6

#### **INTELLECTUAL GENIUS**

(Dan. 8:23)

7

#### **OCCULTIC GENIUS**

He will understand the occultic and lead the whole world into sorcery (Dan. 8:24; 11:39).



## **THE BIBLE GIVES THE ANTICHRIST NINE NAMES**

They describe his nature, origin, and character. He is given different names because each name describes a specific aspect of who he is, which the Lord wants us to know. The nine names are:



## **THE ANTICHRIST**

(1 Jn. 2:18)



## **THE BEAST**

The beast is mentioned 36 times and is the most mentioned and prominent name of the Antichrist in the Bible. It describes his brutal and cruel nature. He will kill without blinking an eye (Rev. 11; 13; 14; 16; 17; 19; 20).



## **THE LITTLE HORN**

He is the political and military leader who will seem small and insignificant in the early stage. No one will take him seriously (Dan. 7:8).



## **THE KING**

He will be a political leader (Dan. 8:23; 11:36).



## **THE WORTHLESS SHEPHERD**

He is a dictator who has no regard at all for people under him. He uses everyone else to fulfil his personal agenda (Zech. 11:16-17).



6

### **GOG OF MAGOG**

Gives us the origin and root of the Antichrist. He will come from the line of Japheth (Gen. 10:2; Ezek. 37 – 28).

7

### **MAN OF SIN**

He will have no regard for God. He will sin to the fullest capacity that is possible for a man and he will bring the world into the fullness of transgressions (Dan. 8:23; 2 Thes. 2:3).

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### **MAN OF PERDITION**

He is destined to be condemned to the lake of fire (2 Thes. 2:3).

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### **THE LAWLESS ONE**

He will have no regard for the law of God. He will lead the nations to war against God, with an unholy, ungodly confidence, believing that he can win the war (Ps. 2:1-3; 2 Thes. 2:8).



## **THE ANTICHRIST WILL BE FULLY HUMAN AND FULLY DEMONISED**

That is why he is the beast that ascended from the bottomless pit (Rev. 17:8). This explains why he is totally evil.

**THE ANTICHRIST WILL REIGN FOR SEVEN  
YEARS BEFORE THE RETURN OF JESUS,  
WITH SIX PRIMARY ACTIVITIES:**



**HE WILL SIGN A PEACE TREATY WITH ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EASTERN NATIONS FOR SEVEN YEARS (DAN. 9:27).**

This begins the final seven years of human history. The first three-and-a-half years is a period of counterfeit world peace and safety (1 Thes. 5:3). He will allow the Jewish people to build the temple in Jerusalem and for temple worship to be restored.



**HE WILL BREAK THE PEACE TREATY AFTER THREE-AND-A-HALF YEARS.**

That marks the start of the Great Tribulation.



**HE WILL BRING ABOUT THIS EVENT CALLED THE ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION (MATT. 24:15; MARK 13:14).**

He will go into the temple in Jerusalem, erect his image, and demand the whole world to worship him (Dan. 9:27; 2 Thes. 2:4).

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**HE WILL ESTABLISH A WORLD-WIDE  
WORSHIP MOVEMENT TO WORSHIP SATAN  
AND THE ANTICHRIST (REV. 13:4,14,15).**

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**HE WILL ESTABLISH A WORLD-WIDE  
MARK-OF-THE-BEAST ECONOMIC SYSTEM  
CALLED 666 (REV. 13:16-18).**

We need to know this because if anyone puts  
on the Mark of the Beast, he will go to the  
lake of fire; there will be no chance for  
redemption (Rev. 14:9-11)!

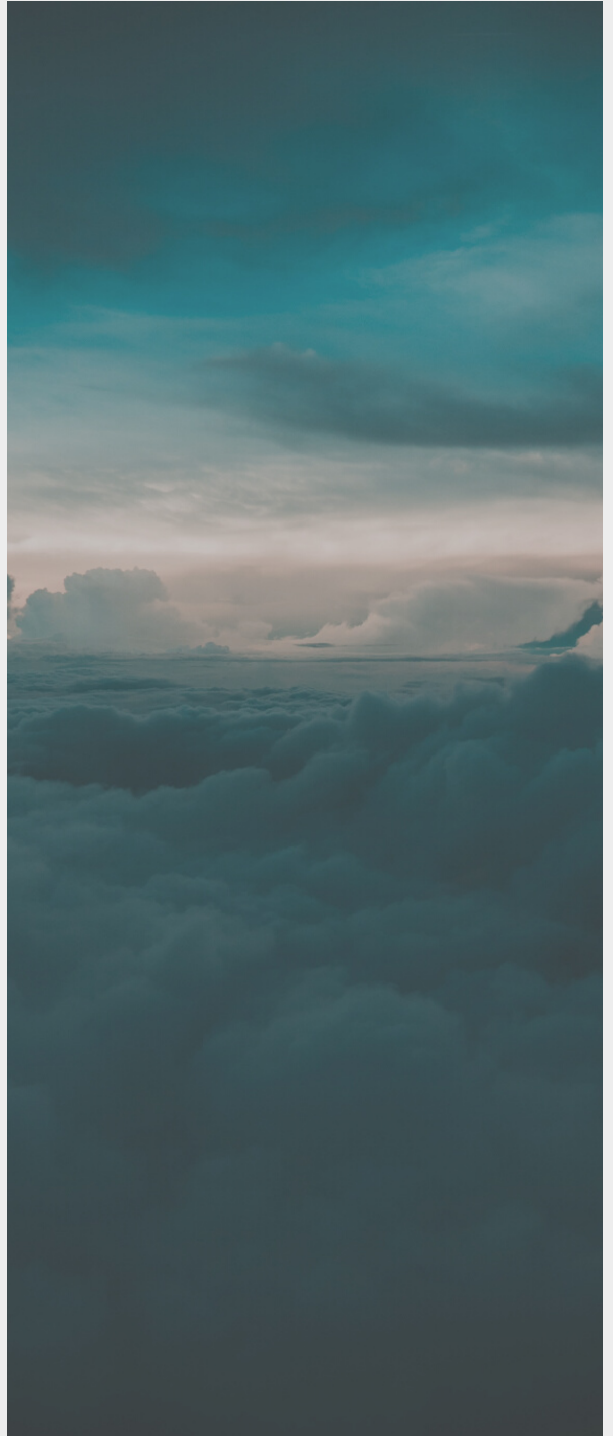
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**HE WILL FIERCELY PERSECUTE AND SEEK  
TO TOTALLY DESTROY ISRAEL.**

# WHO RAISED UP THE ANTICHRIST?

We need to be able to answer this theological question or else many of us will be shocked and offended. Yes, even though Satan played a part in empowering the Antichrist, **it is God who raised him up and granted him authority over every tribe, tongue and nation and power to “*overcome the saints*”** (Rev. 13:5,7; Dan. 7:25). Indeed, there is no authority except from God and the authorities that exist are appointed by God (Rom. 13:1).

Is there any Biblical precedence of God raising up evil leaders to discipline His people? Yes, God did so through Nebuchadnezzar and the Chaldeans (2 Chron. 36:15-20; Hab. 1 to 3)!



# 1

## TO PURIFY THE CHURCH, SO THAT SHE WILL ARISE AS THE BRIDE

Daniel 11:35 tells us that some of **those with understanding shall fall, to refine them, purify them, and make them white, until the time of the end.** God allows many of the End-Time saints to be martyred. The glory of the End-Time Church is that we will love Jesus even unto death. No army, no devil can overcome that. This is powerful and this is our glory!

The second part of the verse “*purify them, and make white, until the time of the end*” is similar to Revelation 19:7-8, where the Bride of the Lamb has made herself ready, and she is adorned with fine linen, clean and bright. Indeed, the Lord is raising up the Antichrist to purify the Church so that she will arise as the holy and mature Bride.





## **TO USHER IN THE GREATEST HARVEST OF SOULS**

*(Rev. 7:19-14; 14:14-16)*

# **2**

# **3**

## **TO BRING IN THE FULLNESS OF ISRAEL'S SALVATION**

Zechariah 12:1-2 tells us that the issue of Israel is God. God allows the Antichrist and the nations to lay siege of Israel so that her eyes will be opened to her Messiah Yeshua, and she will repent and cry out to Him for deliverance.

Zechariah 13:8-9 tells us that two-thirds of the Jewish people in Israel shall be cut off and die. The remaining one-third shall be brought through fire and refined as silver and tested as gold. Then they will call on the name of Yeshua and be saved (Matt. 23:39)!

In our next and final session on the Antichrist, we will go through Daniel 8 and 11, which are the two main passages in the Old Testament that give us the clearest picture of who the Antichrist is and what his activities are.

Let us end with this thought:

1 John 4:4 tells us that **He who is in us is greater than he who is in the world.** Indeed, the Antichrist will be a mighty adversary. But for those of us who understand, align with God, and prepare ourselves, the Lord is going to give us His greater glory and we will overcome Satan and the Antichrist by the blood of the Lamb, the word of our testimony, and by loving Jesus wholeheartedly, even unto death!





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