ISAIAH

Lesson 9 The King of Babylon

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Babylon the Great

- •Rev 17:17-18 And the woman whom you saw is that great city which reigns over the kings of the earth."
- Every kingdom has a King!
- That king is the King of Babylon!
- The King of Babylon appears to be the Antichrist!

The Taunt of the King of Babylon!

Isa 14:3-4 It shall come to pass in the day the Lord gives you rest from your sorrow, and from your fear and the hard bondage in which you were made to serve, that you will take up this proverb against the king of Babylon, and say: "How the oppressor has ceased, The golden city ceased! NKJV

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Thomas Constable comments on the king

"After Yahweh gave Israel rest following her captivity, she would taunt (Heb. mashal, bring to light the truth about) Babylon's proud ruler who had formerly taunted her (vv. 3-4 a; cf. Rev 18). His death would be an occasion for joy, not sorrow. In view of the description that follows, Isaiah evidently did not describe one particular past king of Babylon, but ascribed traits of many kings of Babylon to this representative official... The king in view may be the eschatological Antichrist, since these verses describe conditions that will exist during the first half of the Tribulation."

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Clarence Larkin says:

"Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms; that made the world as a wilderness and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners?" There has never as yet been such a King of Babylon as is here described. It must therefore refer to some future King of Babylon, when Babylon shall be rebuilt, as we shall see it is to be. Verses 12 to 14 evidently refer to Satan, and are descriptive of him before his fall, but as he is to incarnate himself in the Antichrist, who is to be a future King of Babylon, it explains the source of the pride and presumption of Antichrist, which will lead to his downfall, as it did to Satan's."

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He is the Little Horn of Daniel 7

Dan 7:24-25 The ten horns are ten kings Who shall arise from this kingdom. And another shall rise after them; He shall be different from the first ones, And shall subdue three kings. He shall speak pompous words against the Most High, Shall persecute the saints of the Most High, And shall intend to change times and law. Then the saints shall be given into his hand For a time and times and half a time. NKJV

He will blaspheme the God of Gods

Dan 11:36-39 "Then the king shall do according to his own will: he shall exalt and magnify himself above every god, shall speak blasphemies against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the wrath has been accomplished; for what has been determined shall be done. He shall regard neither the God of his fathers nor the desire of women, nor regard any god; for he shall exalt himself above them all. But in their place he shall honor a god of fortresses; and a god which his fathers did not know he shall honor with gold and silver, with precious stones and pleasant things. Thus he shall act against the strongest fortresses with a foreign god, which he shall acknowledge, and advance its glory; and he shall cause them to rule over many, and divide the land for gain. NKJV

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John agrees with Daniel

Rev 13:5-7 And he was given a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies, and he was given authority to continue for forty-two months. Then he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, His tabernacle, and those who dwell in heaven. NKJV

Jesus said:

- John 5:43 "I have come in My Father's name, and you do not receive Me; if another shall come in his own name, you will receive him. (NAS)
- He is speaking of the Antichrist and Israel's acceptance of him as their messiah!
- Antichrist Instead of or Against

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He will claim to be God though he will be called the "Man of Sin" and "Son of Perdition"

2 Thess 2:1-4 Now, brethren, concerning the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and our gathering together to Him, we ask you, not to be soon shaken in mind or troubled, either by spirit or by word or by letter, as if from us, as though the day of Christ (kurios = Lord) had come. Let no one deceive you by any means; for that Day will not come unless the falling away comes first, and the man of sin is revealed, the son of perdition, who opposes and exalts himself above all that is called God or that is worshiped, so that he sits as God in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. NKJV

He causes the sacrifice to stop in the rebuilt temple of God

Dan 9:27-10:1 Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate, Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate." NKJV

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The Abomination of Desolation!

Rev 13:14-15 And he (the false prophet) deceives those who dwell on the earth by those signs which he was granted to do in the sight of the beast (the Antichrist), telling those who dwell on the earth to make an image to the beast who was wounded by the sword and lived. He was granted power to give breath to the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak and cause as many as would not worship the image of the beast to be killed. NKJV

Jesus said this is the sign of His coming

- Matt 24:4-5 "Take heed that no one deceives you. For many will come in My name, saying, 'I am the Christ,' and will deceive many. NKJV
- Matt 24:15-16 "Therefore when you see the 'abomination of desolation,' spoken of by Daniel the prophet, standing in the holy place" (whoever reads, let him understand), "then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains. NKJV

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Worship him or you can't buy!

Rev 13:16-18 He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads, and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

Here is wisdom. Let him who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man: His number is 666. NKJV

The Antichrist according to John, the Apostle

- 1 John 2:18 Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour NKJV
- 1 John 2:22-23 Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son. Whoever denies the Son does not have the Father either; he who acknowledges the Son has the Father also. NKJV

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His teaching about Jesus will be wrong

II Jn 1:7 For many deceivers have gone out into the world, those who do not acknowledge Jesus Christ as coming in the flesh. This is the deceiver and the antichrist.(NAS)

Old Testament Names

- "The Assyrian."—Isa 10:5-6; 30:27-33.
- · "King of Babylon."—Isa 14:4.
- · "Lucifer."— Isa 14:12.
- "The Little Horn."—Dan 7:8; 8:9-12.
- "A King Of Fierce Countenance."—Dan 8:23.
- "The Prince That Shall Come."—Dan 9:26.
- "The Wilful King."—Dan 11:36.
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New Testament Names

- ·"The Man Of Sin."—2 Thess 2:3-8.
- ·"Son Of Perdition."—2 Thess 2:3-8.
- ·"That Wicked."—2 Thess 2:3-8.
- ·"Antichrist."—1 John 2:18.
- "The Beast."—Rev 13:1-2.
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The Assyrian!

Micah 5:5-6 When the Assyrian comes into our land, And when he treads in our palaces, Then we will raise against him Seven shepherds and eight princely men. They shall waste with the sword the land of Assyria, And the land of Nimrod at its entrances; Thus He shall deliver us from the Assyrian, When he comes into our land And when he treads within our borders.

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An Angry and Cruel Ruler

Isa 14:5-8 The Lord has broken the staff of the wicked, The scepter of rulers Which used to strike the peoples in fury with unceasing strokes, Which subdued the nations in anger with unrestrained persecution. "The whole earth is at rest and is quiet; They break forth into shouts of joy. "Even the cypress trees rejoice over you, and the cedars of Lebanon, saying, 'Since you were laid low, no tree cutter comes up against us.""

He shall persecute the Saints

Dan 7:25 He shall speak pompous words against the Most High, Shall persecute the saints of the Most High, And shall intend to change times and law. Then the saints shall be given into his hand For a time and times and half a time. NKJV

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A King of Fierce Countenance!

- Dan 8:23-25 "And in the latter time of their kingdom, When the transgressors have reached their fullness, A king shall arise, Having fierce features, Who understands sinister schemes. His power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; He shall destroy fearfully, And shall prosper and thrive; He shall destroy the mighty, and also the holy people.
- "Through his cunning He shall cause deceit to prosper under his rule; And he shall exalt himself in his heart. He shall destroy many in their prosperity. He shall even rise against the Prince of princes; But he shall be broken without human means. NKJV

How could be become weak?

Isa 14:9-11 "Hell from beneath is excited about you, To meet you at your coming; It stirs up the dead for you, All the chief ones of the earth; It has raised up from their thrones All the kings of the nations. They all shall speak and say to you: 'Have you also become as weak as we? Have you become like us? Your pomp is brought down to Sheol, And the sound of your stringed instruments; The maggot is spread under you, And worms cover you.' NKJV

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A Unique Character He is not God!

"Have you become as weak as we? Have you become like us?"

They thought he was invincible and impervious to death since he appeared to die and come back to life.

Why? - He appears to comes back from the dead!

Rev 13:3-4 And I saw one of his heads as if it had been mortally wounded, and his deadly wound was healed. And all the world marveled and followed the beast. So they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast? Who is able to make war with him?" NKJV

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He comes out of the Abyss

- Rev 11:7-8 When they finish their testimony, the beast (Antichrist) that ascends out of the bottomless pit will make war against them, overcome them, and kill them. NKJV
- Rev 17:8 The beast (Antichrist) that you saw was, and is not, and will ascend out of the bottomless pit and go to perdition. And those who dwell on the earth will marvel, whose names are not written in the Book of Life from the foundation of the world, when they see the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. NKJV

Satan is cast out of heaven

- •Isa 14:12 "How you are fallen from heaven, O Lucifer (Day or Morning Star = Venus), son of the morning! How you are cut down to the ground, You who weakened the nations! NKJV
- Luke 10:18 And He said to them, "I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. NKJV

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Jesus is the true "Morning Star"

Rev 22:16 "I, Jesus, have sent My angel to testify to you these things in the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, the Bright and Morning Star." NKJV

Satan & His Angels are Cast Out of Heaven

Rev 12:7-9 And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought, but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer. So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

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Look at the Impact on the Earth

Rev 12:10-12 Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, "Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, and they did not love their lives to the death. Therefore rejoice, O heavens, and you who dwell in them! Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and the sea! For the devil has come down to you, having great wrath, because he knows that he has a short time." NKJV

"I'll be back!"

Isa 14:13-15 For you have said in your heart: 'I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God; I will also sit on the mount of the congregation On the farthest sides of the north; I will ascend above the heights of the clouds, I will be like the Most High.' Yet you shall be brought down to Sheol, To the lowest depths of the Pit. NKJV

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Notice – Satan-Antichrist Watch the Switch

Isa 14:16-17 "Those who see you will gaze at you, And consider you, saying: 'Is this the man who made the earth tremble, Who shook kingdoms, Who made the world as a wilderness And destroyed its cities, Who did not open the house of his prisoners?' NKJV

He won't even get a grave!

Isa 14:18-19 "All the kings of the nations lie in glory, Each in his own tomb. But you have been cast out of your tomb Like a rejected branch, Clothed with the slain (dead bodies on top of him) who are pierced with a sword, Who go down to the stones of the pit Like a trampled corpse." NASU

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He will not be buried with kings!

Isa 14:20-22 You will not be joined with them in burial, Because you have destroyed your land And slain your people. The brood of evildoers shall never be named. Prepare slaughter for his children Because of the iniquity of their fathers, Lest they rise up and possess the land, And fill the face of the world with cities. NKJV

Babylon is history!!!

Isa 14:22-23 "For I will rise up against them," says the Lord of hosts, "And cut off from Babylon the name and remnant, And offspring and posterity," says the Lord. "I will also make it a possession for the porcupine, And marshes of muddy water; I will sweep it with the broom of destruction," says the Lord of hosts. NKJV

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The Lord God will Prevail!

Isa 14:24-27 The Lord of hosts has sworn, saying, "Surely, as I have thought, so it shall come to pass, And as I have purposed, so it shall stand: That I will break the Assyrian in My land, And on My mountains tread him underfoot. Then his yoke shall be removed from them, And his burden removed from their shoulders. This is the purpose that is purposed against the whole earth, And this is the hand that is stretched out over all the nations. For the Lord of hosts has purposed, And who will annul it? His hand is stretched out, And who will turn it back?" NKJV

Truths

- A man will arise in the tribulation and claim to be god, demanding all in the world worship him.
- This man will be Satan incarnate and oppose Jesus with words of great blaspheme and at the battle of Armageddon physically.
- This man will rule the world with 10 other kings.
- This man will murder an unimaginable number of people who reject or oppose him.
- This man will not be successful as Jesus will defeat him and cast him into the lake of fire.