### King Of the North by Kenneth Daisley

Many persons today would like to know who is the *king of the north*. Much has been said about this topic, but apparently, it is still an outstanding one in the minds of many. It is a truth that needs clarity; but that clarity emerges only as we view briefly Satan's objective. We are going to view this truth in its simplicity with the use of just three passages of scripture. From the first passage we will note the quest of the evil one, from the second, where his seat is and then, thirdly, who *the king of the north* is. After which, we shall look at his description from the sealed prophecies of Daniel. And, I hope that at the end, we can exit this study with a clear biblical view of *the king of the north's* identity.

# Satan's Objective

"How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!" (Isa. 14:12, KJV)

How you have fallen from heaven, O Day star, son of the dawn! You have been cut down to the ground, O destroyer of nations. (Isa. 14:12, BSB)

The intention of the evil one has been to create a level of moral degeneracy amongst human kind, so that it would be near impossible for man to be saved. This plan does not just operate at the individual level, but it is universal in its implementation. Through the policies and operations of world empires and totalitarian governments, he has been imposing systems of servitude<sup>1</sup> and subservience along with pagan practices<sup>2</sup> and all that goes with these things. Sinful cultural inheritances<sup>3</sup> are developed. And the result is that even when men seek to escape from these 'places', they tend to take their inherited cultures as 'baggage' to the other places. It is no wonder

then, that those who are animated by Satan would do the same, namely seek to "weaken the nations".

Speaking about the *king of the north*, Daniel chapter eleven tells us, that in close proximity to the commencement of the time of the end, we would see this weakening of the nations in full swing.

"He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape. But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians *shall be* at his steps" (Dan.11:42, 43)<sup>4</sup>. Also, the impact of these schemes from the north is angering<sup>5</sup> the nations.

Using their mineral wealth to gain ascendancy, *the king of the north* is bent on creating dependencies, and this undermines independence of conscience and action on the part of the nations of the world (mainly third world nations). Apparently, this is a necessary preparatory step for *the mark of the beast*<sup>6</sup>.

# Passage 1: Satan's Seat "The Sides"

For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in <u>the sides</u> of the north: (Isa. 14:13 KJV)

His quest is to sit, "in the sides of the north." So, where is this, if it is a vantage point? Does this mean he is *king of the north*, a geo-political entity based on the prophecy of Daniel 11:36-45? Or does he want to control the North from "the sides"?

Based on the meaning of the Hebrew word for side<sup>7</sup>, the devil wants to sit in the rear, in the innermost recesses. He wants to be the pupper master controlling things from behind the scenes, remotely. Isn't this the way he is working presently? He is controlling *the king of the north* and cohorts from "the sides."

# Passage 2: Where Is His Seat?

And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges; I know thy works, and where thou dwellest, even where <u>Satan's seat is</u>: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas *was* my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth. (Rev.2:12,13).

The church in Pergamos, is that church that historically found itself at the cross roads where paganism met with Christianity<sup>8</sup>. This was the time period when emperor Constantine entered the Christian church to introduce Mithraism with its sun worship. Here was the commencement of the apostate church which evolved into the Papacy and Roman Catholicism.

If this is where his seat is, then this is the *remote place* from which Lucifer is controlling *the king* of the north. This is 'the side of the north', the remotest point of control, where he stays out of sight as the puppets of *the North* are animated.

# Passage 3: Who Is King of The North?

"And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon. And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast <u>before</u> him, and causeth the

earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed" (Rev.13:11,12 KJV).

"And he exerciseth all the power of the <u>first</u> beast **before** (*enopios*)<sup>9</sup> him" This word *before* does not mean preceding or before as in time, the word <u>first</u> took care of that. It means in the sight of, or before the eyes of, like on behalf of.

Also, verses 13 and 14 tell us that, indeed, this lamb-like horned beast is working on behalf of the first beast. "And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, and deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by *the means of* those miracles which he had power to do in the *sight* of the beast..." (Rev.13:13,14 KJV) And the word for *sight* is the same word *enopios*.

Another version puts it thus: "And it performed great signs, even causing fire to come down from heaven to the earth *in full view of the people*. Because of the signs it was given power to perform on behalf of the first beast..." (Rev.13:13,14 NIV). So, this is *the King of the North*.

This beast with lamb-like horns is *the king of the north*, since he is operating in front of, and on behalf of the first beast - Roman Catholicism. And this lamb-like horned beast is the United States of America.<sup>10</sup>

#### The Sealed Prophecies of Daniel

In Daniel 11:36-39 the *king of the north* can be identified using the lines of the texts as frames within which we can 'picture' the entity. Each text seems to have a context of its own, yet the descriptive lines create a frame which fits only one entity. As we look in history to see the

fulfillment of the prophecy, and we shall be able to identify the *king of the north*. To save time, we shall look only at critical elements in each text.

"And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done" (Dan.11:36 KJV).

This verse is applicable to the USA at any point in time, and serves as a general description of the behavior of the *king of the north*. For example, the USA hardly signs any treaty-even those they have advocated and sponsored. Revelation 13 says "he spake as a dragon"- marvelous things. (Rev.13:11KJV). Also, this nation is known to be very prosperous, notwithstanding the deficit, and has to remain that way till the indignation, because it has a predetermined role in prophecy.

# The Constitution of America<sup>12</sup>

"Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all" (Dan.11:37 KJV). Some versions have a common *g* for God, so the term is a figure of speech. A woman in prophecy represents a church or a religious organization.

- "Article 1 Section. 1. All legislative Powers herein granted shall be vested in a Congress of the United States, which shall consist of a Senate and House of Representatives."
- "Section 9: ...No Title of Nobility shall be granted by the United States..."

The monarchal systems where kings and queens were revered as God was abolished, the god of his fathers was left out by the constitution. No title of Nobility will be granted; republicanism was placed on the throne.

• The First Amendment states: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof..."

Protestantism objected to the excesses of Papal dominance of the dark ages, so the constitution reflected America's unwillingness to favor any religious organization or to act on behalf of any, in prohibiting another (Dan.11:37 "nor the desire of women").

So, what we have seen in the constitution, are the lamb-like horns of Republicanism and Protestantism.

#### **National Defense A God**

"But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things" (Dan.11:38, KJV).

In the place of the god of his fathers, he honors the god of forces<sup>13</sup>. The Hebrew word for *forces* can mean a defensive mechanism of war, a munition. This nation spends more on national defense-than all the other nations put together. The USA's defense budget for this year is 782 billion.<sup>14</sup> He has made a god of weapons of war.

"Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a <u>strange god</u>, whom he shall acknowledge *and* increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain" (Dan.11:39, KJV).

The term "most strong hold"<sup>15</sup> means fortress of munition. The nation has spent exorbitantly to establish military bases in some of the most powerful nations, "most strong holds," of the world. The term has dual meaning. It refers to both the military bases and the countries where these bases are. NATO nations has sway on the United Nations, they rule over many.

This is the product of World War one and two. The Treaty of Versailles was drafted by America and became an essential part of the League of Nations (1920), <sup>16</sup> although they did not sign it.

And, the land fallouts from World War one, were the middle east countries, that were taken from Turkish rule, and many African states, which were under Germany. These were placed under a mandate system, to be governed by mainly France, England and Belgium-allies of World War I.

Through these means, they were able to liquidate their debts from the war. They *divided the land for gain and ruled over many*. But it was after WWII that the world saw a proliferation of American bases, the primary ones being installed in the allied countries.

Although I have not been very detailed and exhaustive, we have been able to comprehend from two perspectives who the *king of the north* is - an almost purely religious view using quotes from Isaiah and Revelation; and from Daniel's geo -political stand point, where the *king of the north* was described. As a matter of fact, the most powerful nations in this world are in the north and there is one nation at the helm, USA.

Jesus, the one responsible for these revelations, can be trusted-His wisdom is astounding. So, we can now read the rest of the prophecies in Daniel 11 with a clearer understanding, as we continue to view the actions of this *king of the north*.

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- <sup>5</sup> "And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done" (Dan.11:36).
- <sup>6</sup> This King of the north must have the prevailing economic and military might to cause all to receive the mark of the beast. (Revelation 13:16,17 KJV)

<sup>7</sup> The Hebrew word for side is **yerekah** means: **flank**, **side**, **extreme parts**, **recesses** (**Strongs**) extreme rear (1), far (1), flank (1), hold (1), inner recesses (1), innermost part (1), rear (6), rear part (1), recesses (2), remote part (2), remote parts (5), remotest parts (5), within (1). (NASB). Strong's Concordance.2022. Bible Hub. Accessed 29.12.2022.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Patriarchs and Prophets, 717.

<sup>9</sup> Before - enópios: in sight of, before... (Strong's)

**Usage:** before the face of, in the presence of, in the eyes of.

before (46), front (1), presence (20), sight (22). (NASB)

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