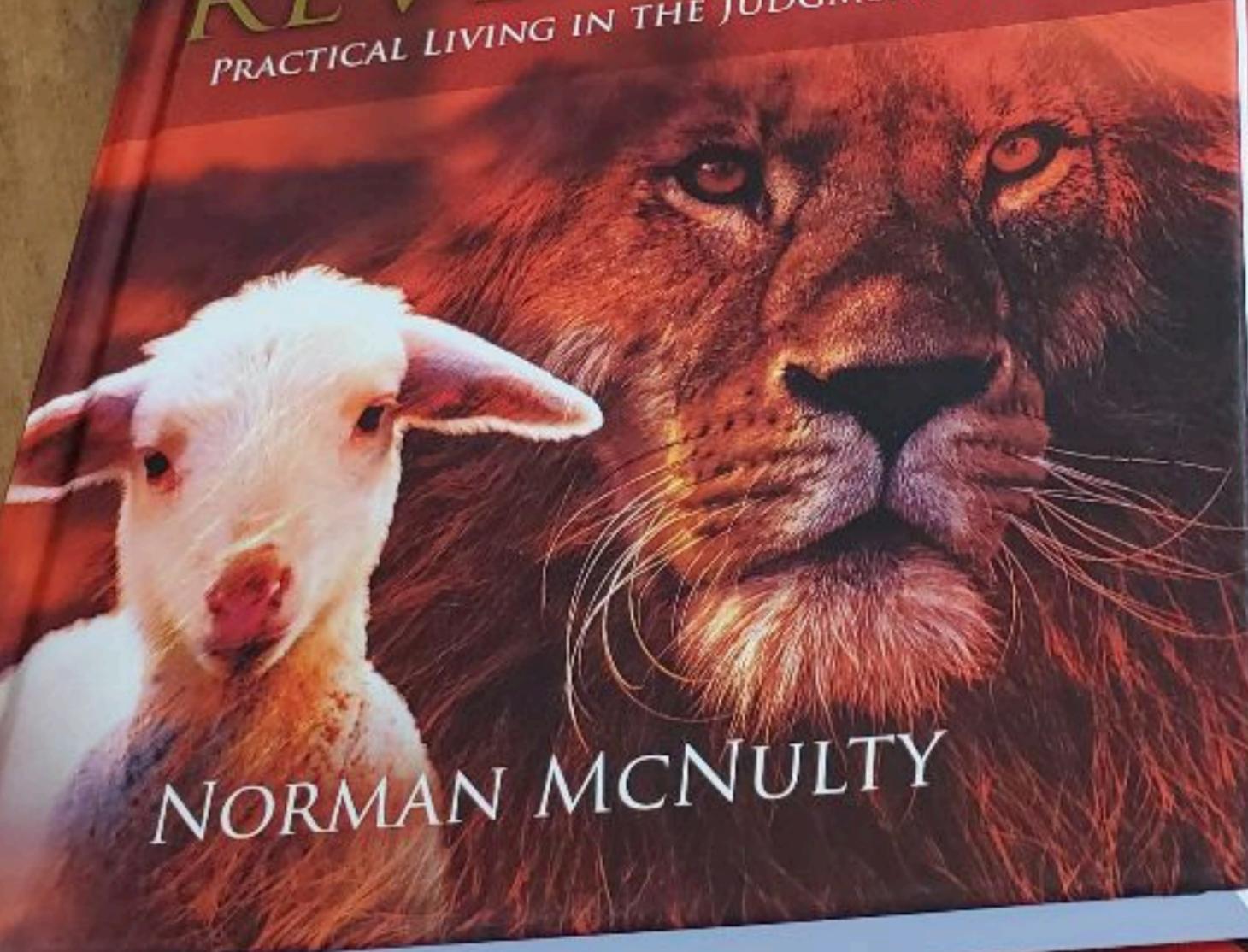


The King of the North vs. the King of the South in Daniel 11

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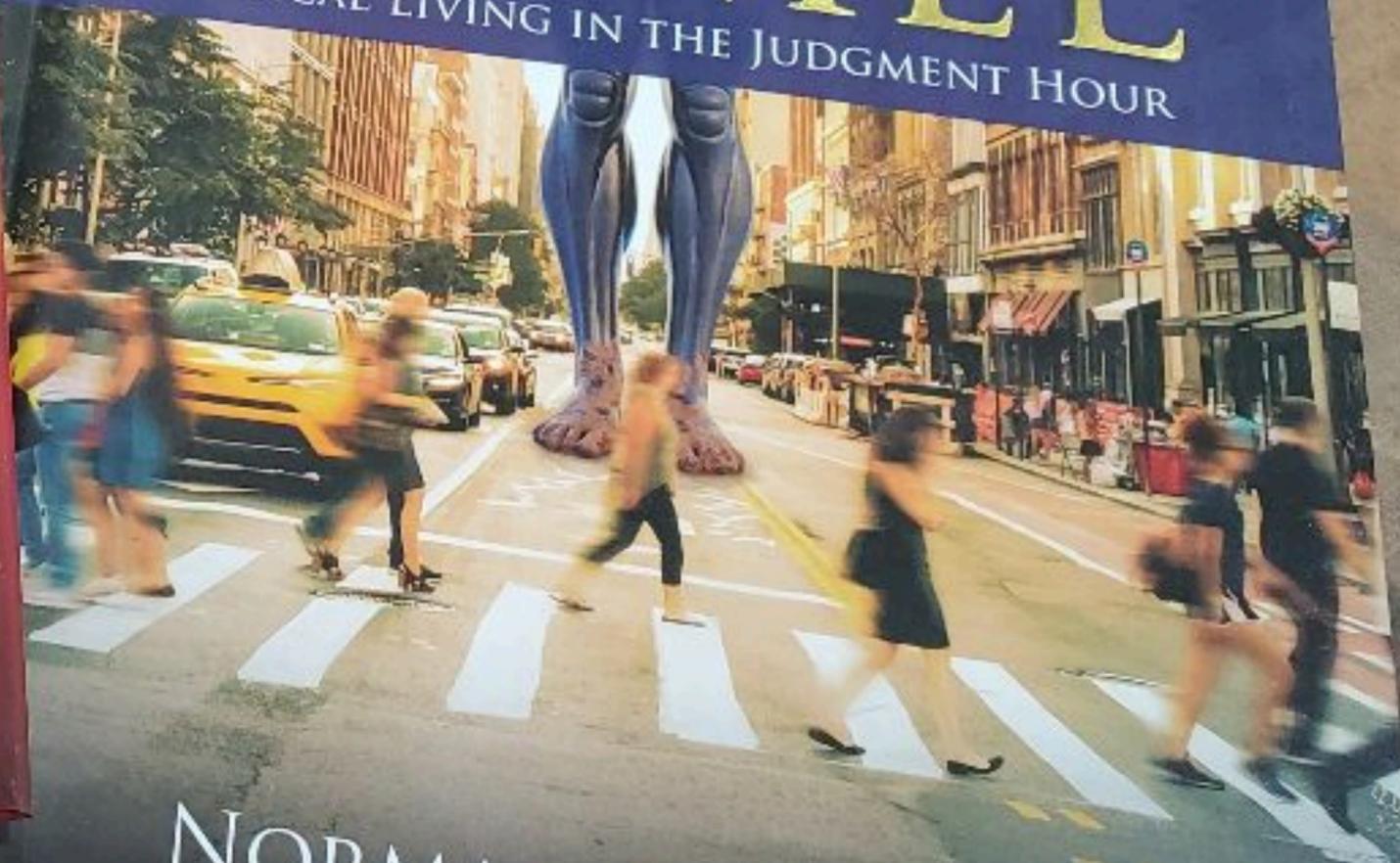
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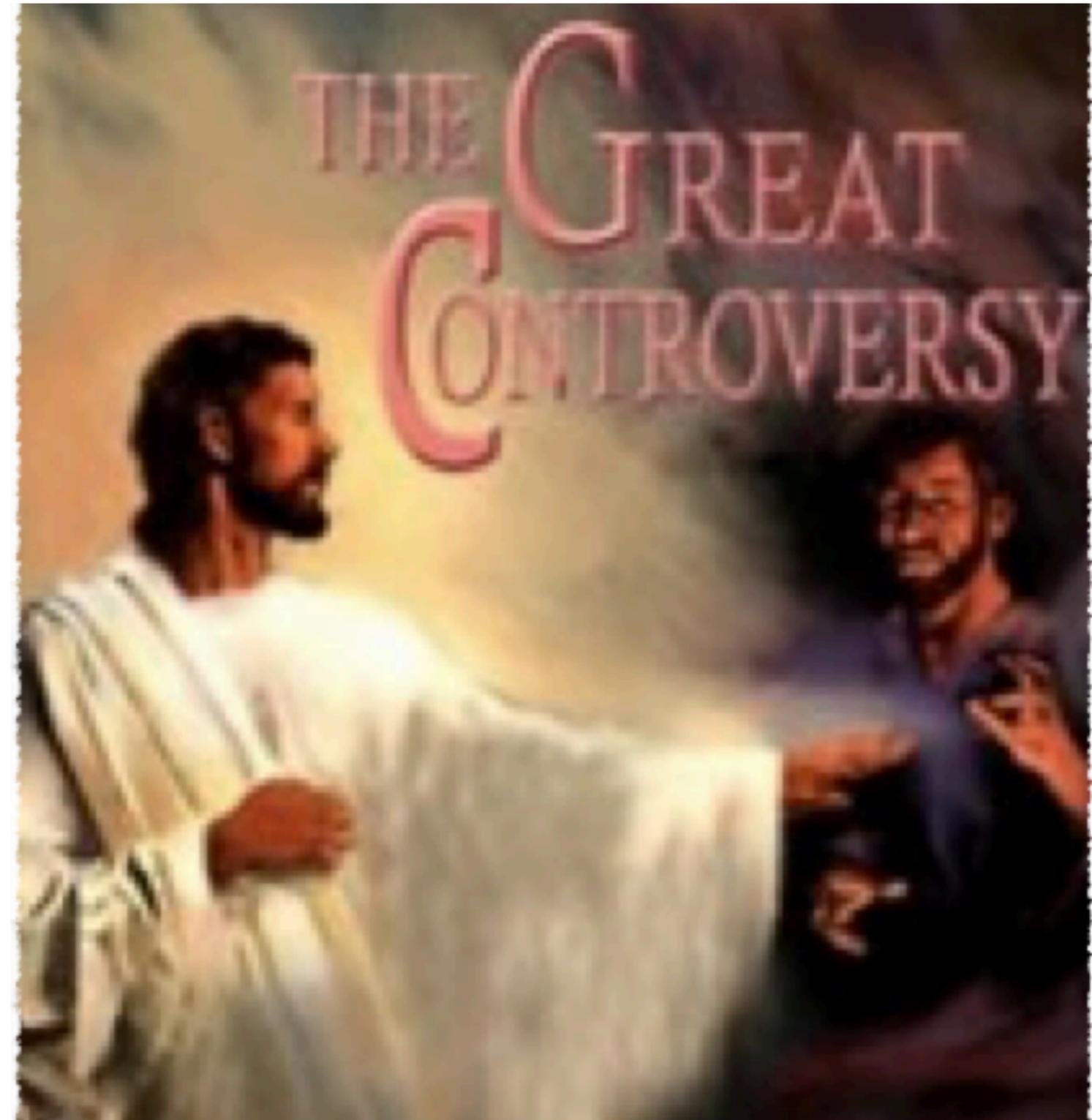
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Is Daniel 11 Important?

- The struggle in Daniel 10 for three weeks gives us insight into the controversy that is waged between Christ and Satan
- King Cyrus received an evil report from the Samaritans
- Daniel was so worried that he ate no pleasant bread for three weeks
- Gabriel contended for three weeks with Satan over the mind of Cyrus
- Christ appeared at the end of three weeks to turn Cyrus' mind in favor of His people and to reveal the vision of Daniel 11



Daniel 2	Daniel 7	Daniel 8	Daniel 11/12
Head of gold: Babylon	Lion: Babylon	—	—
Chest and Arms of Silver: Medo-Persia	Bear: Medo-Persia	Ram: Medo-Persia	Darius the Mede and Persian kings
Thigh of Brass: Greece	Leopard: Greece	He-goat: Greece	King of North: Antiochus and Seleucid division of Greece
Legs of Iron: Rome	Dreadful Beast: Pagan Rome	Little Horn: Pagan Rome	King of North: Pagan Rome
Feet of Iron and Clay: Divided Europe and Papal Rome	Little Horn: Papal Rome	Little Horn: Papal Rome	King of North: Papal Rome
Stone Strikes Image: Second Coming	Judgment Begins: 1844	Sanctuary Cleansed: 1844	Michael Stands Up: Close of Probation - Future

Highlights of First 30 Verses

- Darius, Dan. 11:1; Xerxes, Dan. 11:2; Alexander, the Great, Dan. 11:3, then division of Greece into four sections after Alexander's death, Daniel 11:4





Highlights of First 30 Verses

- **Many battles between Seleucid/Antiochus dynasty (King of North) and Ptolemy dynasty (King of South) – Dan. 11:5-15**
- **Pompey defeats Antiochus XIII Asiaticus, pagan Rome becomes king of north in 65 B.C. – Daniel 11:16**
- **Pompey/Rome enters “glorious land” 63 B.C. – Daniel 11:16**
- **Death of Julius Caesar – Daniel 11:18, 19**
- **Caesar Augustus, raiser of taxes – Daniel 11:20**

Highlights of First 30 Verses

- **Death of Tiberius Caesar and Christ – Daniel 11:21, 22**
- **Roman league with Jews in 161 B.C. – Daniel 11:23**
- **Final struggle of king of north (Caesar Augustus) and Ptolemaic/Egyptian king of south (Mark Antony and Cleopatra), battle of Actium, September 2, 31 B.C. – Daniel 11:25-28**
- **King of south not seen again till Daniel 11:40/time of the end**

Ellen G. White on Daniel 11

“The light that Daniel received from God was given especially for the last days. The visions he saw by the banks of the Ulai and Hiddekel (Daniel 10:4), the great rivers of Shinar, are now in process of fulfillment, and all the events foretold will soon come to pass.” – TM 112, 113

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Key Elements of Daniel 11:30-36

Much of the history will be repeated; scenes similar will take place

- **Verse 30 – Intelligence with them that forsake holy covenant; papal Rome forms political alliance with kings of earth.**
- **Verse 31 – Arms shall stand on his part - **Military power**; Clovis king of Franks makes agreement with papal Rome in 508 to provide military support; Justinian declares Roman bishop to be head of all churches in 533; Belisarius makes decree effective with military force in 538 by driving out the Ostrogoths from Rome.**
- **Take away the daily – paganism removed by papal Rome; 508**
- **Abomination of desolation – **union of church and state**; 508/538**

Key Elements of Daniel 11:30-36

- **Persecution of the saints – sword, flame, captivity, spoil; v. 33**
- **Many days – 1260 years; see Daniel 7:25; Dan. 11:33**
- **Persecution continues to the time of the end; Dan. 11:35**
- **Deadly Wound – 1798; Dan. 11:40**
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How Does History Repeat?

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The Deadly Wound

- **Daniel 11:40: At the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him**
- **Hebrew word for “push” is *naggach***
- **Meaning = “to gore” or “to lock horns”**
- **At the time of the end = 1798**
- **Deadly wound from atheistic France**
- **Atheism and the papacy have locked horns since that time**



France/Atheism King of the South

From Egypt to France

- **1. Spiritually Sodom and Egypt
— Revelation 11:8**
- **2. Atheism of Egypt reborn in
France — Who is Jehovah that I
should obey Him? GC 269**
- **3. After France, king of south
continued as Communist Soviet
Union and Eastern Europe**



THE COMMUNIST MANIFESTO

KARL MARX AND FRIEDRICH ENGELS



Comeback of the King of North

- **How Does King of North Make Comeback Against King of South?**
- **Last half of verses 40 says:**
 - **1. Chariots**
 - **2. Horsemen**
 - **3. Many Ships**

Chariots and Horsemen

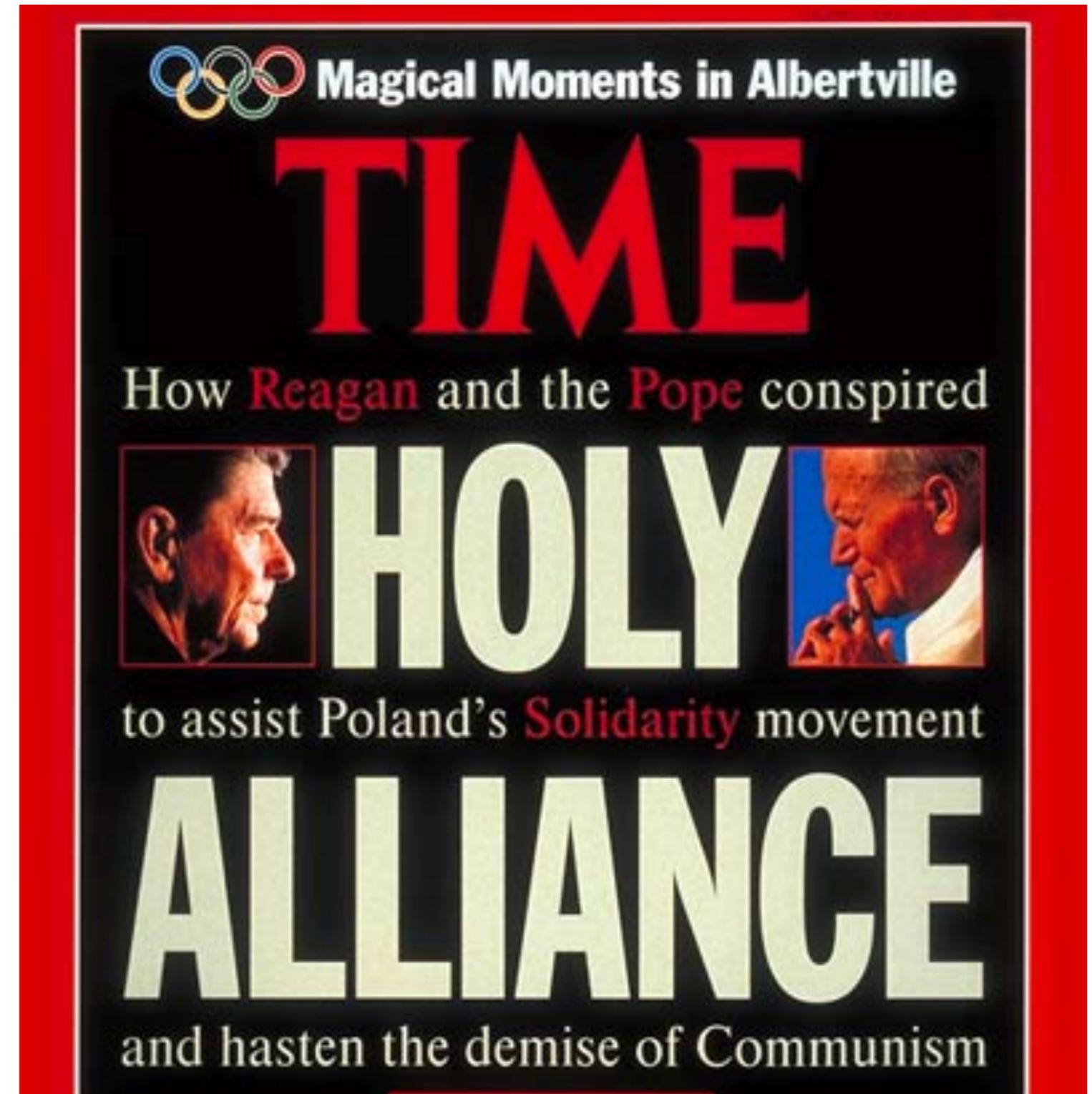
- **What Does the Bible Say About Chariots and Horsemen?**
- **2 Kings 6:15:**
- **“And when the servant of the man of God was risen early, and gone forth, behold an host compassed the city both with horses and chariots. And his servant said unto him, Alas my master! how shall we do?” – Syrian army surrounds Samaria**
- **Chariots and Horsemen = Military Power**
- **History Repeats = Arms Shall Stand on His Part (Dan. 11:31)**

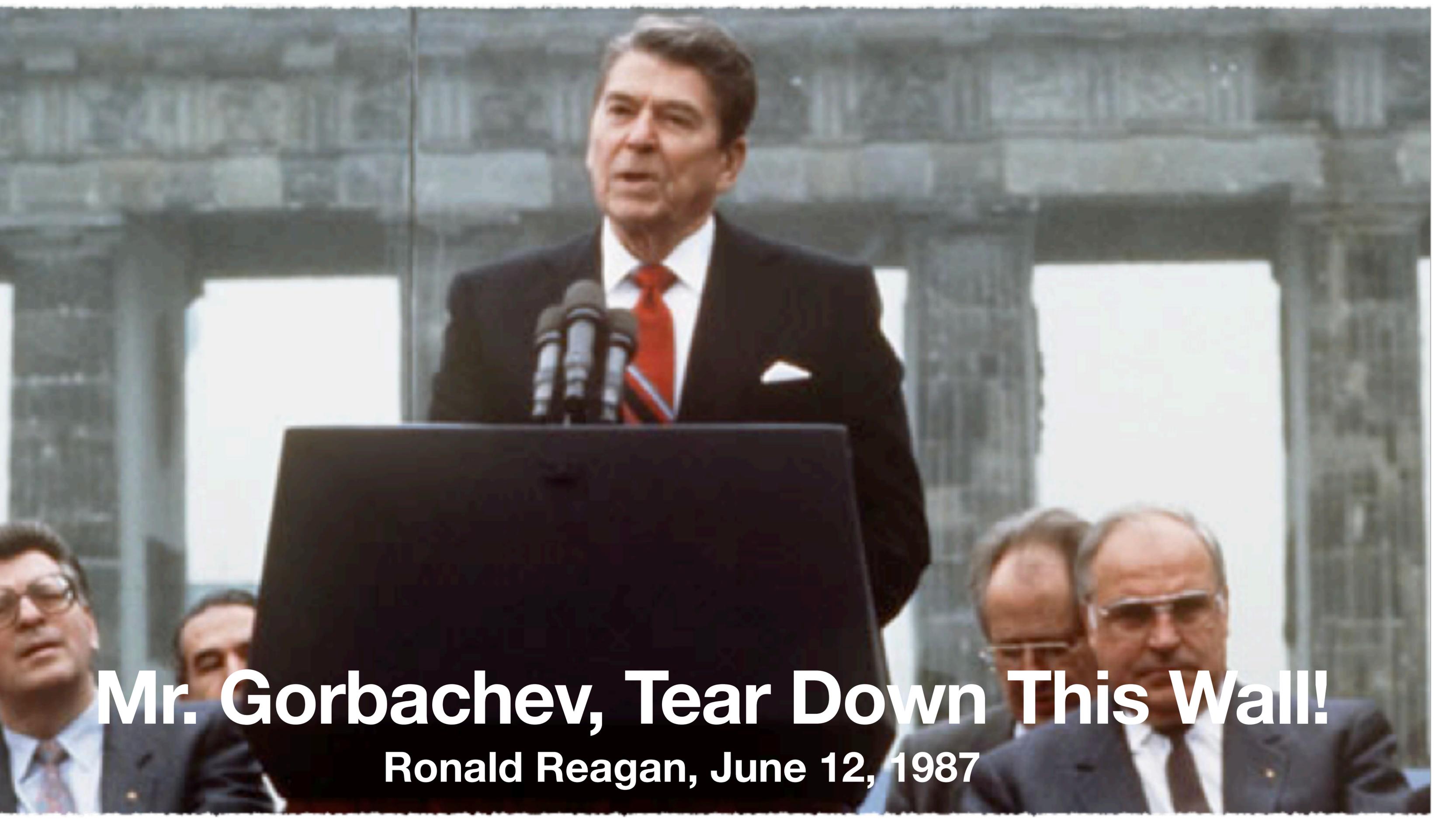
Time of the End

- **1798 — King of North/Papal Rome Receives Deadly Wound**
- **Next Event in Daniel 11?**
- **Military Power Giving Force to Papal Rome Against King of South**
- **Have We Seen Any Nation Form an Alliance with Papal Rome Since 1798 to Lead to Weakening of the King of South?**

Holy Alliance

- *Time* Magazine,
February 24, 1992 -
“Holy Alliance”
- **First Meeting Between
President Reagan and
Pope John Paul II on
June 7, 1982**
- **“One of the great secret
alliances of all time.”**



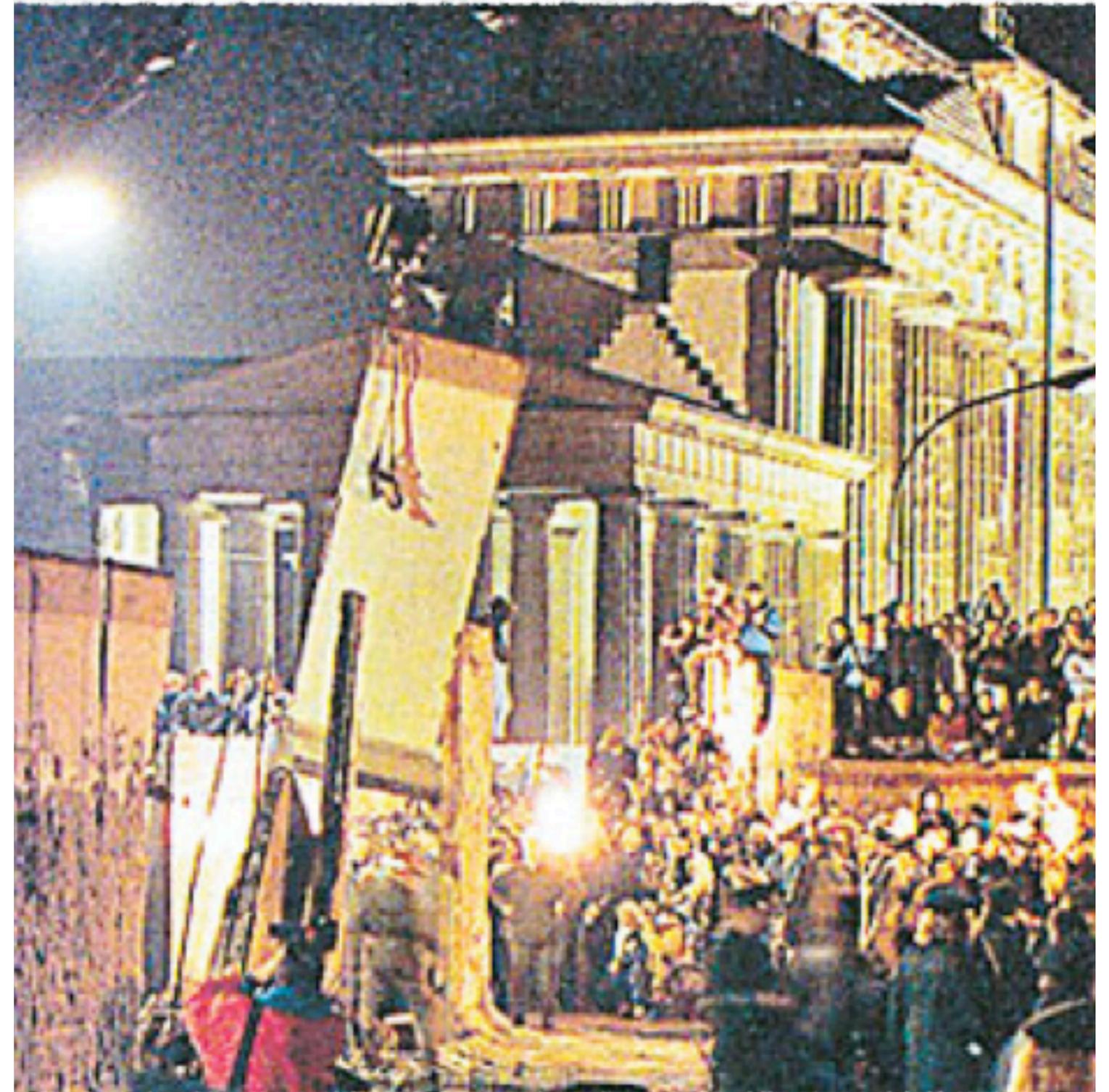


Mr. Gorbachev, Tear Down This Wall!

Ronald Reagan, June 12, 1987

Berlin Wall Comes Down

- **November 9, 1989 the Berlin Wall comes down**
- **East and West Germany unite as one nation**
- **By 1991, the Soviet Union and communist Eastern Europe had collapsed which was the atheistic power that weakened the Catholic Church's influence in Europe**



Atheism is Not Dead

- **While the atheistic bloc of the Soviet Union and Eastern Europe were crippled by the fall of communism, what happened from 1989 was NOT the death of the King of the South**
- **The Marxist philosophy of atheism/secularism is alive and well today**
- **The King of the South continues its philosophical push against the King of the North to this day**
- **Apostate Christianity (Babylon - Papacy and Apostate Protestantism) as the King of the North is locked in a death struggle with the King of the South for control of the world**

Apostate Christianity vs. Atheism

- **The atheistic philosophy of the King of the South will ultimately be overrun by the philosophy of the King of the North like a whirlwind**
- **The papacy is empowered by support from the last remaining military superpower, the United States of America**
- **Prophetically, the King of the South meets its demise when the adherents of atheism/secularism renounce their unbelief in favor of the “god” of the papacy**
- **The supernatural manifestations from the false prophet (Protestant America) in the sight of the beast (Papacy) in Rev. 13:13, 14 easily bring the King of the South under the dominion of the King of the North**

King of the North vs. the King of the South

- God's people in the glorious land of ancient Israel were caught in the crossfire of the King of the North and the King of the South
- At the end of the world, God's people in the glorious land are also caught in the philosophical crossfire between apostate Christianity and atheism



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The Glorious Land

- Daniel 11:16 - territory of literal Judea; location of God's people
- Daniel 9:24-27; after AD 34, Jewish nation no longer God's chosen nation
- Daniel 11:41 - glorious land is also territory of God's people
- This is the territory of the Remnant Church *prior to the shaking*
- Worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church



The Glorious Land

- When the King of the North enters into any territory, it is for the purpose of conquest
- When he enters into the territory of God's people, he is taking action to conquer God's remnant church
- He does this through the National Sunday law
- Many shall be overthrown

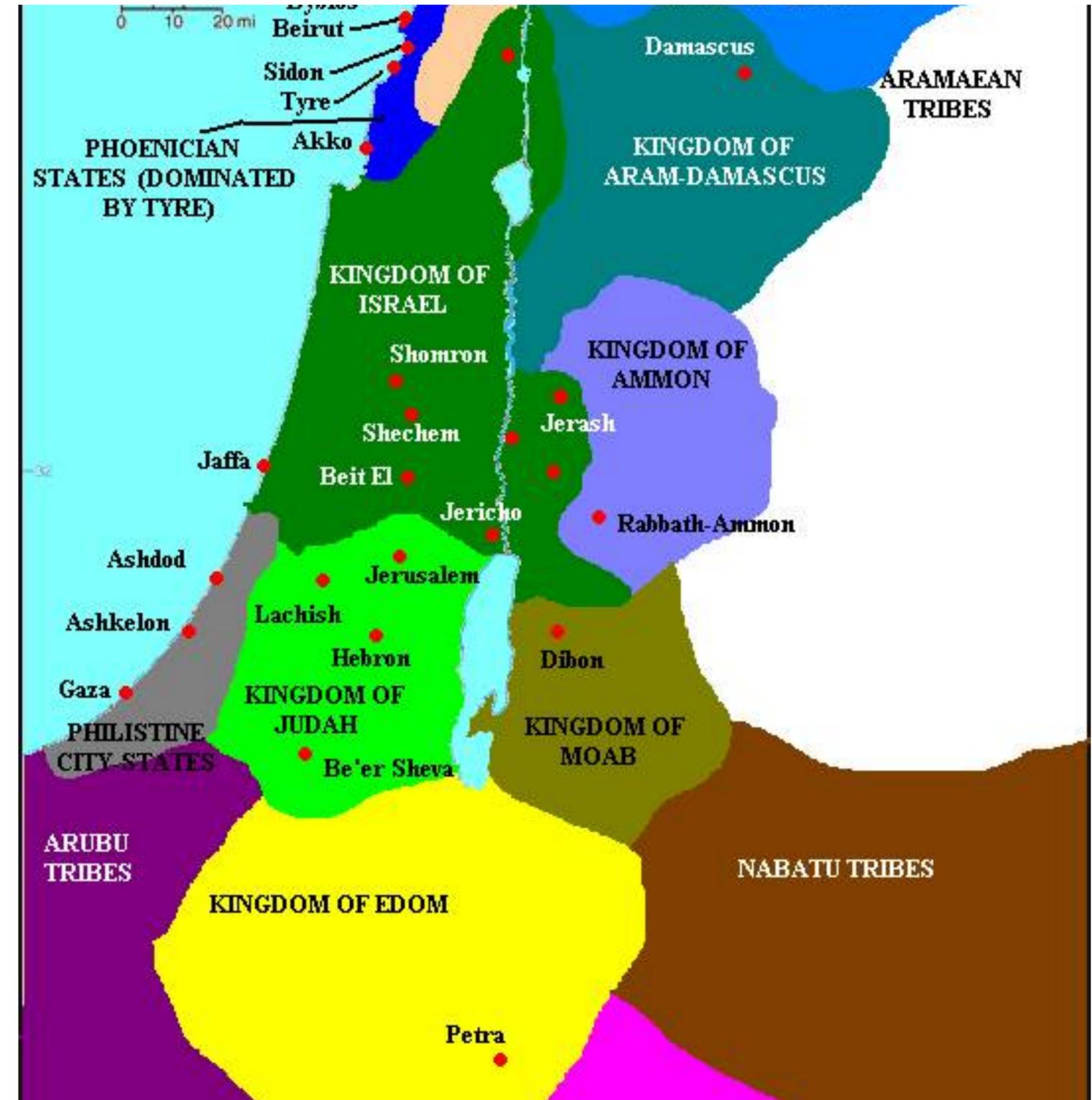


Many Shall Be Overthrown

- **As the storm approaches, a large class who have professed faith in the third angel's message, **but have not been sanctified through obedience to the truth**, abandon their position and join the ranks of the opposition. By uniting with the world and partaking of its spirit, they have come to view matters in nearly the same light; and when the test is brought, they are prepared to choose the easy, popular side. Men of talent and pleasing address, who once rejoiced in the truth, employ their powers to deceive and mislead souls. — GC 608**

Glorious Land

- **Spiritual Israel = Worldwide Adventism before the shaking**
- **King of North entering glorious land = National Sunday Law**
- **Abomination of Desolation**
- **History Repeats**

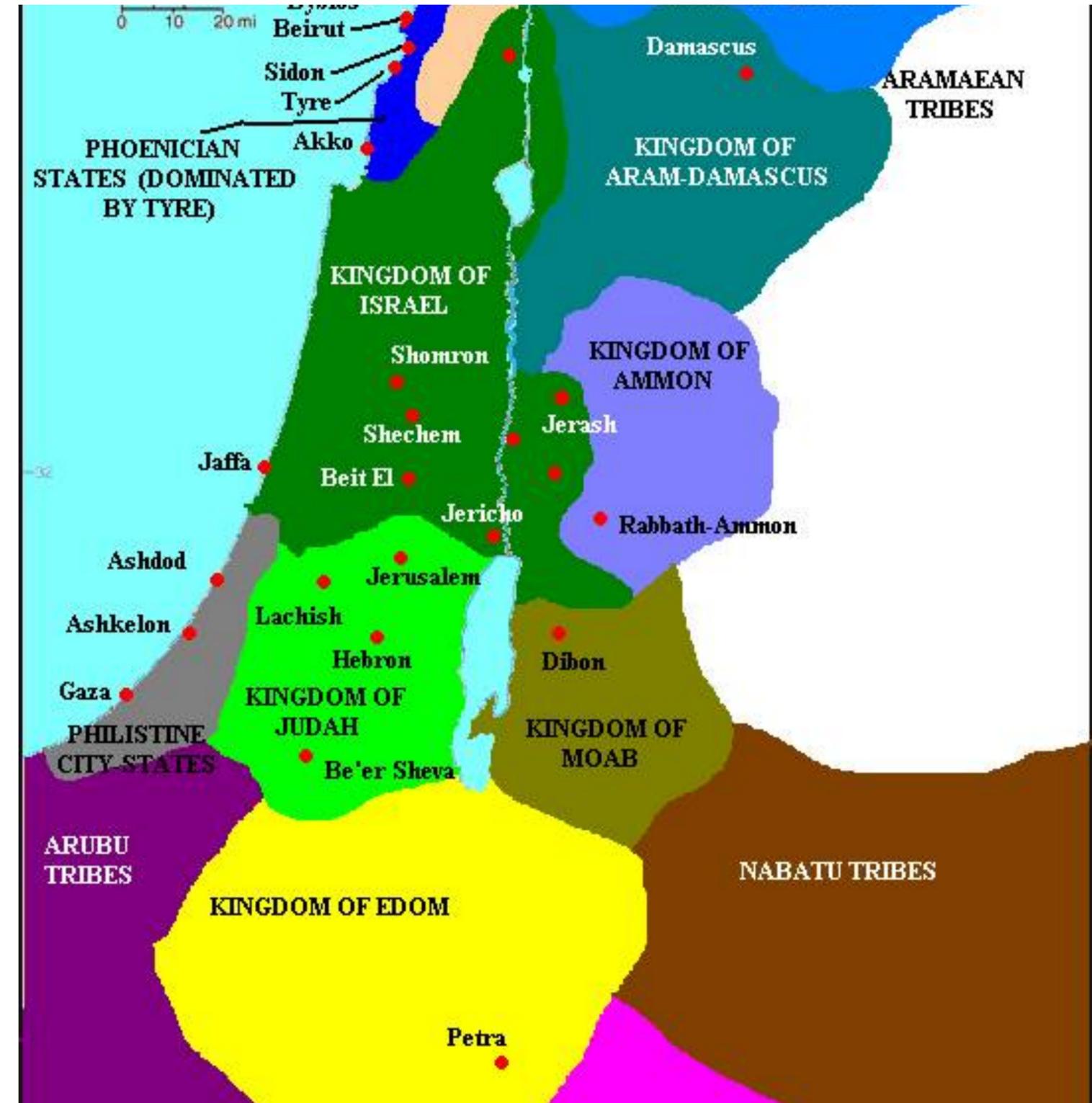


Four Stages of the Sunday Law

- **1. Refrain From Working on Sunday — 9T 232, 233; CT 550, 551**
- **2. Honor Sunday, but can still worship on Sabbath — GC 608, 624**
- **3. Cannot worship on Sabbath, only Sunday; fines and imprisonment imposed — GC 607**
- **4. Death penalty to those who worship Sabbath and disregard Sunday — Rev. 13:15-17, GC 604, 621, 635**

Edom, Moab, and Ammon

- Daniel 11:41b; see also Isaiah 11:14
- Relatives of God's people
- Escape the hand of the King of the North
- God's people outside of the Remnant Church
- Respond to the loud cry message and come out of Babylon



Land of Egypt Shall Not Escape

- Daniel 11:42
- King of the North stretches forth his hand upon the countries
- Land of Egypt does not escape
- Territory of the King of the South falls into line with the papacy (China etc.)
- Geographical and ideological powers of King of the South succumb to the King of the North



Power Over Gold and Silver

- **Daniel 11:43**
- **Power over the treasures of gold and silver and over all the precious things of Egypt**
- **No man can buy or sell (Rev. 13:17)**
- **Merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies (Rev. 18:3)**



Libyans and Ethiopians

- Daniel 11:43b
- King of the North is in control of all the territory to the north of the glorious land
- Many are overthrown when he enters the glorious land
- He conquers Egypt
- Libyans and Ethiopians are at his steps (west and south of Egypt)
- He seemingly has control of the whole world

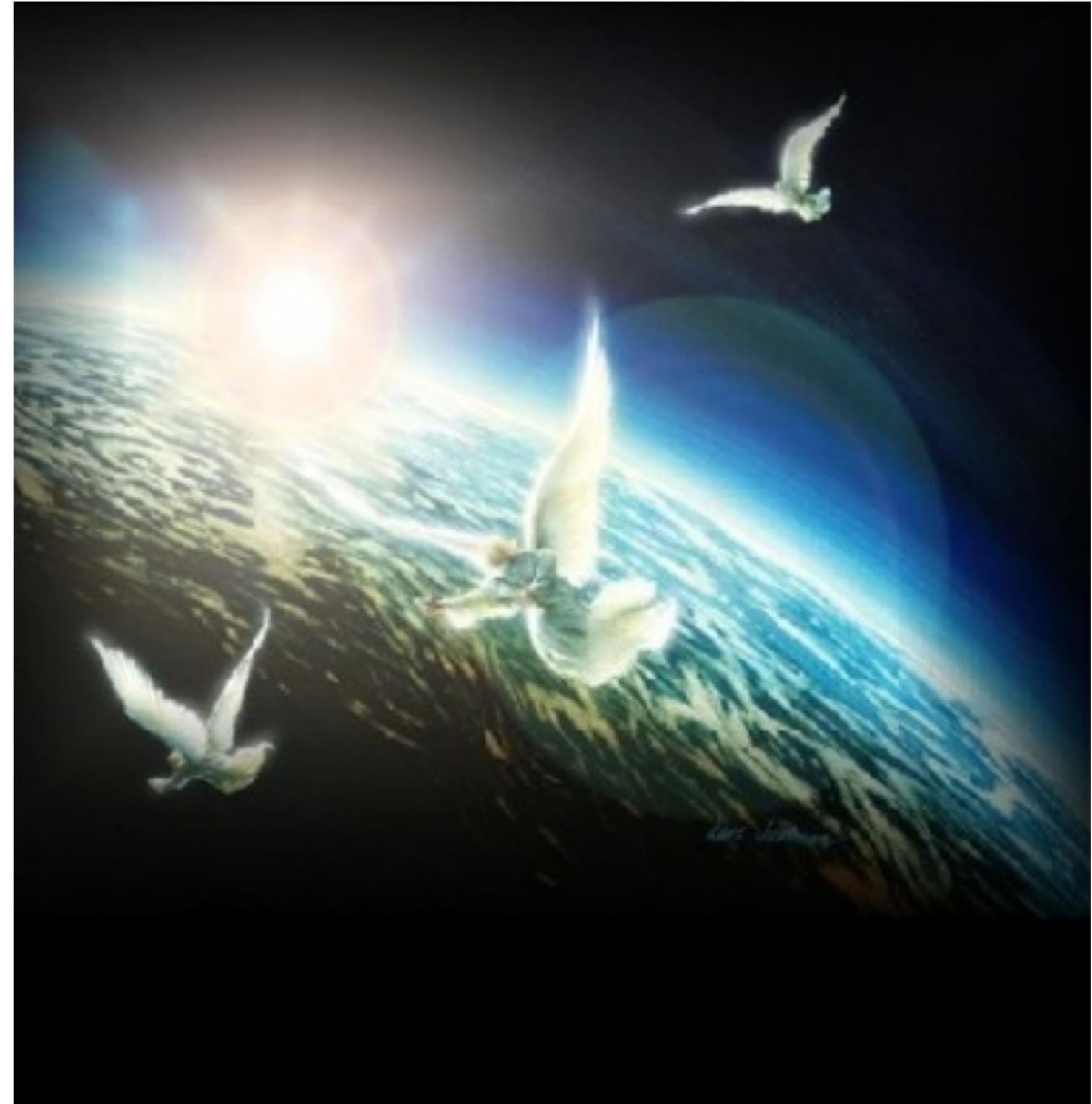


Libyans and Ethiopians

- In the battle of Actium in 31 BC, the Libyans and Ethiopians were the last line of defense for the Egyptians**
- In the modern struggle between the King of the North and the King of the South, the Islamic nations have provided alliance with the atheistic nations**
- Islam will also fall into line with the King of the North**
- Islam is not the King of the South but is a geopolitical ally of the King of the South**

Tidings Out of the East and North

- **Daniel 11:44**
- **King of the North is at the steps of the Libyans and Ethiopians**
- **He is to the south and west of Jerusalem, the glorious holy mountain**
- **Tidings from the east and north are the sealing message of the loud cry from God's people**
- **Message proclaims Babylon (KON) is fallen. Habitation of devils**



The Loud Cry Message

- **What is the Loud Cry Message? – Revelation 18:1-5**
- **“The message of Christ’s righteousness is to sound from one end of the earth to the other to prepare the way of the Lord. This is the glory of God, which closes the work of the third angel.” – 6T 19**
- **“This message, understood in its true character, and proclaimed in the Spirit, will lighten the earth with its glory.” – *Manuscript 15, 1888***

The Loud Cry Message

- **This message also proclaims that Babylon is fallen.**
- **“When do her sins reach unto heaven [Rev. 18:2-5]? When the law of God is finally made void by legislation.” — LDE 198**
- **“This scripture (Rev. 18:1, 2, 4) points forward to a time when the announcement of the fall of Babylon . . . is to be repeated, with the additional mention of the corruptions which have been entering the various organizations that constitute Babylon. . . A terrible condition of the religious world is here described.” — GC 603**

King of the North Troubled

- **Daniel 11:44**
- **The papacy is infuriated that, after seemingly conquering the entire world (all the world wonders after the beast - Rev. 13:3), the loud cry message from God's people destroys his influence**
- **He goes forth with great fury. Just like Revelation 12:17 where the dragon is enraged with the woman.**
- **Dragon gives power, seat, and authority to papacy to destroy the remnant who keep the commandments of God**
- **He goes forth to destroy and utterly to make away many.**
- **This is the death decree and the final stage of the Sunday law crisis**

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Tabernacles of Palace

- **Daniel 11:45**
- **He shall plant the tabernacles of his palace**
- **Tabernacle = place of worship**
- **Palace = state headquarters**
- **Union of church and state**
- **Final abomination of desolation**
- **Glorious Holy Mountain/Jerusalem is besieged with a death decree**



Between the Seas

- **This final abomination of desolation is planted “between the seas”**
- **Sea would be Mediterranean Sea in ancient times**
- **Water represents peoples, multitudes, nations, tongues (Rev. 17:15)**
- **Masses of people are on the side of the papacy**



Glorious Holy Mountain

- **Worldwide Seventh-day Adventist Church – Remnant Church of Bible Prophecy – Psalm 48:1, 2; Joel 2:32**
- **Survive the Shaking**
- **Spiritual Mt. Zion, 144,000— Stand with the Lamb on Mt. Zion in Revelation 14**
- **Besieged by the masses of people and the papacy**



Michael Stands Up

- **“Wonderful events are soon to open before the world. The end of all things is at hand. The time of trouble is about to come upon the people of God. Then it is that the decree will go forth forbidding those who keep the Sabbath of the Lord to buy or sell, and threatening them with punishment, and even death, if they do not observe the first day of the week as the Sabbath. ‘And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.’” — RH, Nov. 19, 1908**

Close of Probation

- **Daniel 12:1 - “And at that time” - at the time that the King of the North besieges the glorious holy mountain, the remnant, with a death decree**
- **At that time, Michael stands up and probation closes**
- **At the beginning of the judgment in 1844, the court was **seated** and the books were opened (Daniel 7:10)**
- **When probation closed on the Jewish nation in AD 34, Stephen saw Jesus **standing** at the right hand of God (Acts 7:55, 56)**
- **When probation closes at the end of the world, Michael (Jesus) **stands up** (Daniel 12:1)**

Time of Trouble

- Time of trouble such as never was
- Jacob's time of trouble
- Tribulation of Matthew 24:21 is the 1260 year tribulation; greatest in *duration*
- Time of trouble in Daniel 12:1 is greatest in *intensity*
- During this time of trouble, the seven last plagues will fall



God's People Delivered

- **At that time, thy people shall be delivered**
- **Every one that shall be found written in the book**
- **Their sins have been blotted out**
- **The deliverance of God's people occurs at the Second Coming in the seventh plague**
- **At the appointed hour when the death decree will be executed, God's people are delivered**



Great Controversy Implications

- **Michael in Hebrew means “who is like God”**
- **This is the name that Christ uses when He is in warfare with Satan**
- **Revelation 12:7; war in heaven; Michael and His angels fought against the dragon**
- **Jude 9; Michael contended with the devil over the body of Moses**
- **Daniel 10:13; Michael helps Gabriel turn the mind of Cyrus against the evil report from the Samaritans against the Jews that was inspired by Satan**
- **Daniel 12:1; Michael stands up for one last fight against Satan on this earth as probation closes**

From Seated to Standing at the Right Hand of God

High Priest

- 1. Hebrews 8:1, 2 - seated at the right hand of God**
- 2. Hebrews 8:6 - mediator of a better covenant**
- 3. Hebrews 8:9-12 - writes His law in the heart;
blots out sin**
- 4. When Christ finishes this work, He will have a
*commandment-keeping people***

From Seated to Standing at the Right Hand of God

Author and Finisher of Our Faith

1. Hebrews 12:1, 2

2. Run with *patience*

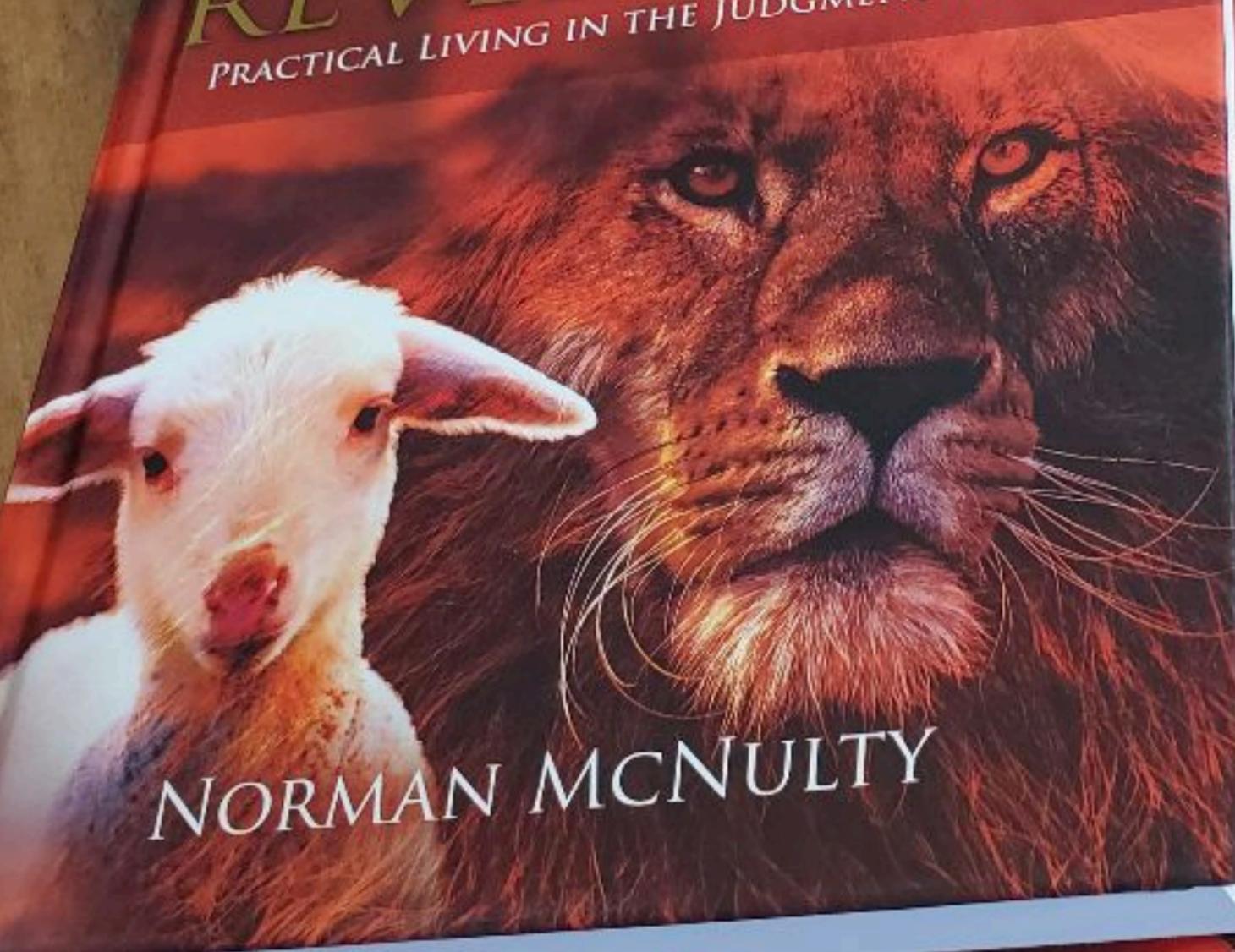
3. Exercise faith — *faith of Jesus*

4. When Christ finishes this work, He will have people with — *patience and the faith of Jesus*

Victory in the Great Controversy

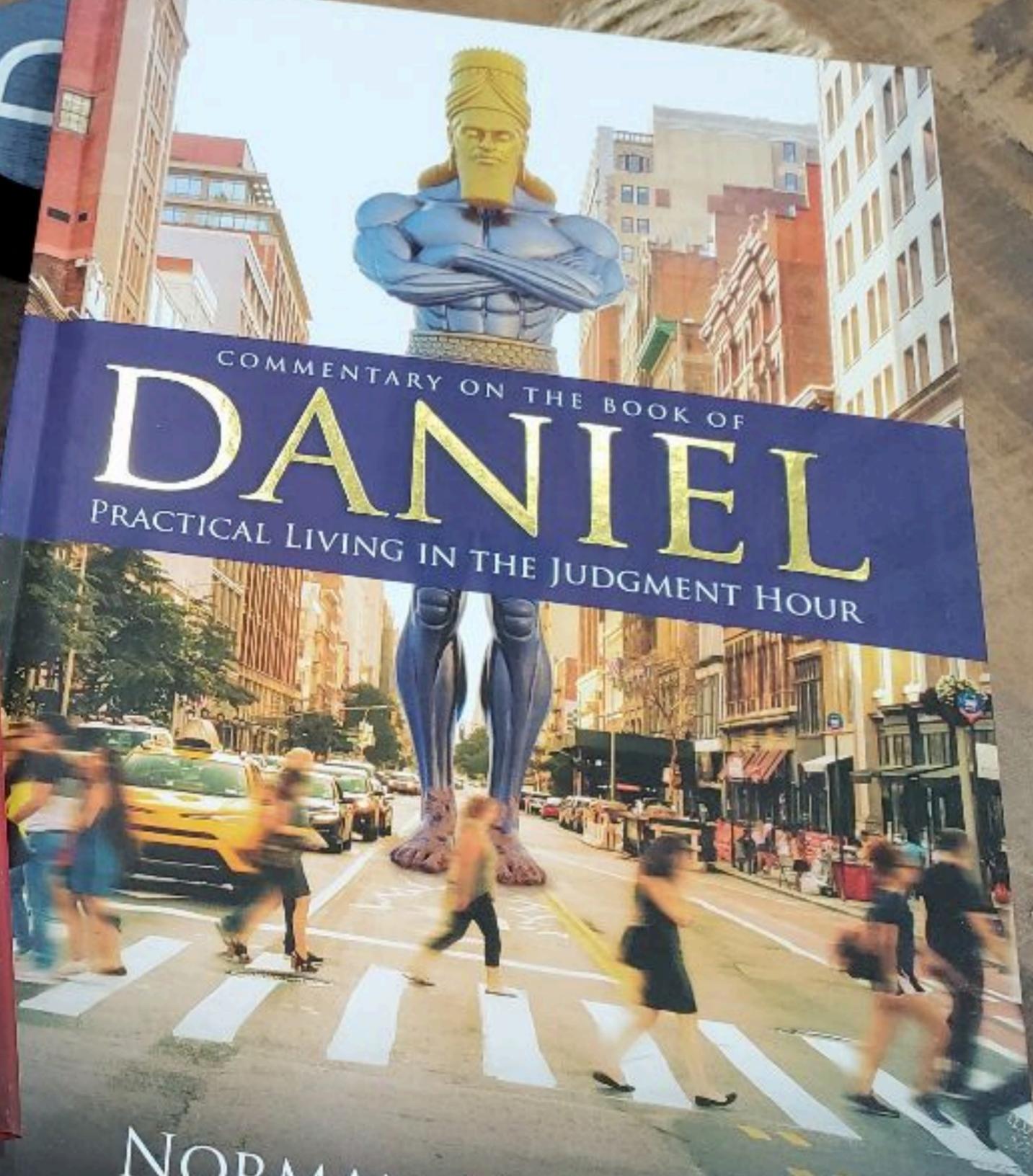
- **When Michael stands up, He is declaring victory in His war against Satan**
- **Revelation 14:12: Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.**
- **Christ has completed His work **seated** at the right hand of God**
- **He stands up because the 144,000 are sealed**
- **They are a demonstration that Satan's charges against the government of God are false**
- **He was a perfect being and fell due to the mystery of iniquity**
- **The 144,000 come from the most wicked era on earth, and yet they experience the mystery of God, Christ in you, the hope of glory**

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