### Daniel

## Chapter 11

[Editor note: For a verse-by-verse commentary of the meaning of this prophecy, see A Comparison Chart of the Prophecy of DaniEl 11 with the History of the Greek World.]  
  
 1‘Since the 1st year of Cyrus,  
 I’ve been standing nearby in power and might…  
 2And now, I’ll tell you the truth:  
  
 ‘{Look!} In Persia, three kings will arise,  
 Then a fourth will come who’ll be richer.  
 And after he gains all his wealth,  
 He will attack the kingdoms of Greece.  
  
 3‘Then [from Greece], a mighty king will arise  
 Who’ll gain a vast kingdom  
 And he’ll do whatever he wishes.  
  
 4‘But, after his kingdom has been established,  
 It’ll be divided and broken  
 Towards the four winds of the skies…  
 And it won’t be as strong as during his rule.  
 For his kingdom will then be plucked up  
 And divided among the outsiders.  
  
 5‘Then the king in the south will grow mighty,  
 But another one will grow stronger  
 And he’ll use the authority he’s given  
 To rule a kingdom that’s vast.  
  
 6‘However, after his time,  
 They’ll all become allies;  
 And the daughter of Egypt’s king  
 Will go to the king in the north  
 And she’ll make treaties with him.  
 But his arm won’t be strong, and his offspring won’t survive.  
  
 ‘Then, she’ll be handed over,  
 Along with all those who brought her,  
 As well as with her young women,  
 And the one who made her strong in her time.  
  
 7‘Then someone will arise from the root of her flower,  
 And when he’s ready, he’ll attack  
 The army of the king of the north  
 And overrun his supporters…  
 He will conquer and then win the war.  
  
 8‘He’ll carry away all of their molded gods  
 And all of their most desirable things  
 (Including their silver and gold).  
 Then, back to Egypt, he’ll take it…  
 For he’ll dominate the king of the north.  
  
 9‘Thereafter, [the king] of the north  
 Will come and enter the kingdom  
 Of the king of the south…  
 But then, he will return to his land.  
  
 10‘So his sons will gather an army,  
 Which will quickly overrun and pass through.  
 [In that land], they’ll thereafter settle,  
 And they’ll fight all the way to his stronghold.  
  
 11‘This will enrage the king of the south  
 And he will raise a large army  
 To fight against the king of the north,  
 And he’ll take many captives.  
  
 12‘Then his heart will become very proud,  
 And thousands, he will cut to the ground…  
 But the war that he will fight won’t be won.  
  
 13‘Thereafter, the king of the north  
 Will gather an army that’s larger,  
 And towards the end of [his rule],  
 He’ll attack and enter with power,  
 Along with many [weapons of war].  
  
 14‘But, during that time, there’ll be a rebellion  
 Against the king of the south,  
 As the rabble among your people grow many,  
 So this vision will be proven true…  
 But then, they’ll also get weaker.  
  
 15‘Then the king of the north will attack,  
 And he will build many siege mounds  
 To capture their fortified cities.  
  
 ‘And the chosen ones of the south will arise;  
 Yet, they won’t be quite as strong.  
 16So the one who enters will do what he wants,  
 And none will be able to stop him.  
  
 ‘Then he’ll stand in the glorious land,  
 And with his own hands, he will destroy it.  
  
 17‘Thereafter, he will set his face  
 To march against their whole kingdom  
 With those who have been proven upright,  
 And this is what he will do:  
  
 ‘They’ll give him the daughter of a woman,  
 So that he can thereafter corrupt her,  
 But she won’t stay and she’ll never be his.  
  
 18‘So he’ll turn his attention to the islands,  
 And many will be captured there.  
 This will stop the ridicule of their kings…  
 But, only for a short time.  
  
 19‘At that time, he will turn his attention  
 To making his land much stronger again;  
 But then, he’ll get weaker and fall,  
 And never be [heard from] again.  
  
 20‘Yet, from out of his roots, will arise  
 The shoot of a kingdom to oppose him,  
 And demand all the glory of his kingdom.  
  
 ‘Yet, in those days, he’ll be broken…  
 But, not by rebellion or war.  
 21There’ll be someone who’ll stand in his place  
 Whom he once treated with great contempt  
 And not given any glory in his kingdom.  
 But, in prosperity, he will return,  
 And through treachery, he’ll then take the kingdom.  
  
 22‘So the strength of the one who was bringing the flood  
 Will be broken and washed away from his face…  
 The one who’s in charge of the Sacred Agreement.  
  
 23‘For, after he’s made an alliance,  
 He will then act in deceitful ways.  
  
 ‘Through a nation that’s small, he’ll gain power,  
 24And he will go to a prosperous place  
 To do what his fathers and even their fathers  
 Had been unable to do…  
 He’ll plunder and divide up the loot.  
  
 ‘Then, he will plot against Egypt,  
 25And when he’s strong, he will set his heart  
 Against the king of the south,  
 And attack him with a great army.  
  
 ‘But the king of the south will gather an army  
 And beat him with their new weapons of war…  
 26He’ll devour everything that he wanted to take,  
 And then, he will destroy their whole army…  
 He’ll break them and he will kill many.  
  
 27‘So, both kings will have wicked hearts,  
 And when they sit down at a table,  
 They’ll lie and settle nothing at all  
 Until the end has arrived.  
  
 28‘Then, when he goes back to his country,  
 He will do so with things that he’s plundered  
 And with his heart set firmly against  
 The Holy Sacred Agreement.  
  
 ‘But, after he returns to [his] land,  
 29He’ll invade the south once again…  
 Yet it won’t be the same as he did at the first.  
  
 30‘Then, [ships] of Cyprus will attack him  
 And [teach him] that he must be humble;  
 So he’ll return and show his rage once again  
 Against the Holy Sacred Agreement.  
  
 ‘He will launch an attack against those who supported  
 The Holy Sacred Agreement,  
 31Then [they’ll come] and profane the great Holy Place…  
 And bring an end to the daily sacrifices.  
  
 Yes he will bring the disgusting destroyer  
 32Against all those who are breaking the Law  
 And disregarding the Sacred Agreement.  
  
 ‘But those who know God will grow stronger  
 And they’ll do whatever needs to be done…  
 33For they’ll come to know many things.  
  
 ‘Yet, they’ll be weakened by swords and by fire,  
 And as captives, they’ll be carried away…  
 They’ll be ravaged for a very long time.  
  
 34‘Then, after they’ve become weakest,  
 They’ll be given some help;  
 For, many will be added to them…  
 But, they won’t have the same zeal.  
  
 35‘They’ll drag down those who do understand  
 And purify them as through fire  
 Until the time of the end,  
 Which will still be a long time away.  
  
 36‘Thereafter, the king will grow in his might  
 And put himself higher than all of the gods…  
 Including the God of all gods.  
  
 37‘He will forget the Gods of his fathers,  
 And not notice the desires of women…  
 He will ignore all the gods,  
 And put himself higher than all.  
  
 38‘A god of war from his country,  
 He will then glorify  
 (A god whom his fathers never knew)  
 With silver, gold, and most precious gems,  
 And many desirable things.  
  
 39‘Within a fortress of refuge,  
 He will act with a strange god  
 (Whichever one he chooses)…  
 He’ll make it grow in its glory,  
 And cause many to bow down before it,  
 And then, he’ll divide the land up as gifts.  
  
 40‘Then, in the time of the end,  
 He’ll lock horns with the king of the south…  
 And the king of the north will gather to him  
 Many chariots, horsemen, and ships.  
 So, he will then enter their land…  
 He will break it and he will pass through it.  
  
 41‘And then, he will enter the glorious land,  
 And many there, will be weakened.  
 But these ones will be saved from his hands:  
 Edom, MoAb, and the sovereignty of AmMon’s sons.  
  
 42‘Then he’ll stretch his hand out over the land,  
 And the land of Egypt won’t be saved.  
 43He’ll dominate all with the hidden reserves  
 Of their silver and gold,  
 And the best things of Libya, Ethiopia, and Egypt…  
 [Things that he’ll find in] their forts.  
  
 44‘Then, out of the north and the east,  
 He will hear things that disturb him.  
 So he’ll leave in a rage, bringing many along,  
 To wipe away and destroy.  
  
 45‘His royal tent, he will then set up  
 Between the sea and the Holy Mountain of Glory  
 Until he comes to his end…  
 When no one will be able save him.’