

TRIBULATION AND TRIUMPH

Daniel 11-12

Introduction

Antichrist was introduced in the last lesson as the rebellious king of the revived Roman Empire. More will be learned about him in this lesson. He will be the most wicked human that this world has seen. He will cause the death of billions of people through his quest for world power. Satan will give his authority and power to him to rule the nations for him. He will blaspheme God in words and deeds. He will demand all people to worship Satan and him or be killed. This lesson begins with a war against Antichrist recorded in Daniel 11:40-45. It will happen during the Tribulation, the final week of years (Dan 9:24).

Aim of the Lesson

Trust the plan of God, which will succeed, rather than the plans of men, which will ultimately fail.

“For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, says the LORD. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and my thoughts than your thoughts” (Isa 55:8-9).

Outline of the Lesson and Questions to Answer

I. Attack against Antichrist – 11:40-12:1

1. What words in 11:40 indicate that this war is during the Tribulation?

A. Identity of the “Kings” against Antichrist – 11:40, 43; cf Ezk 38:5-6

2. Who is the “him” that the king of the south and the king of the north attack? (11:36-40)
3. Who does “he” in 11:40 refer to?
4. Who do you think the king of the north is?
5. Who are the allies of the king of the north? (11:43; Ezk 38:5-6) See the map on page 2.

B. Sequence of Events in the Battle – 11:40-45; cf Ezk 38-39 (See the map on page 3.)

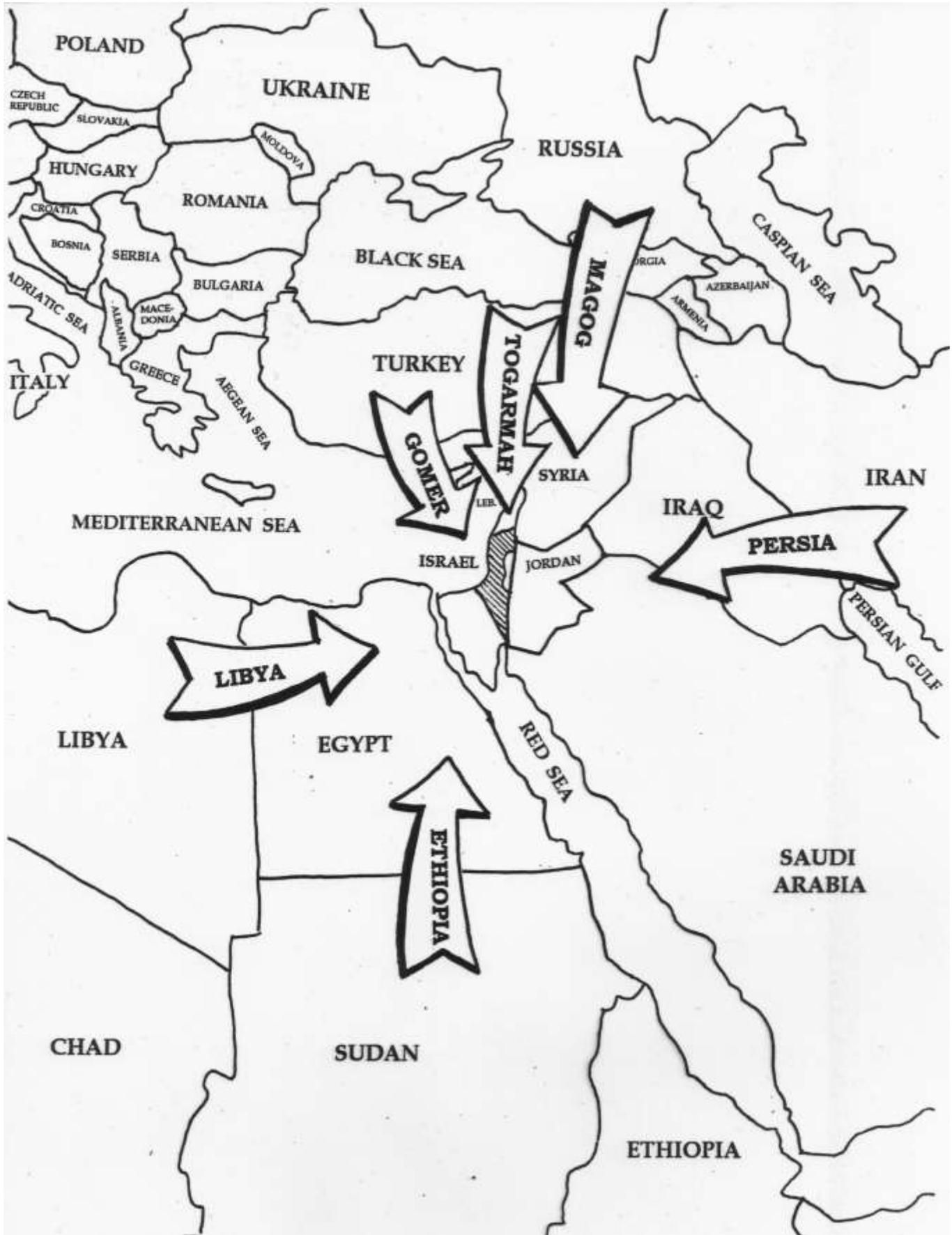
6. What country is attacked that is called the “glorious land”? (11:41)
7. What is the next major country that is attacked? (11:42)
8. Which countries join the king of the north (11:43)
9. Why does the king of the north return to Israel to fight another battle? (11:44)
10. Where is “the glorious holy mountain”? (11:45)
11. What happens to the king of the north?

C. Time of the Battle – 12:1

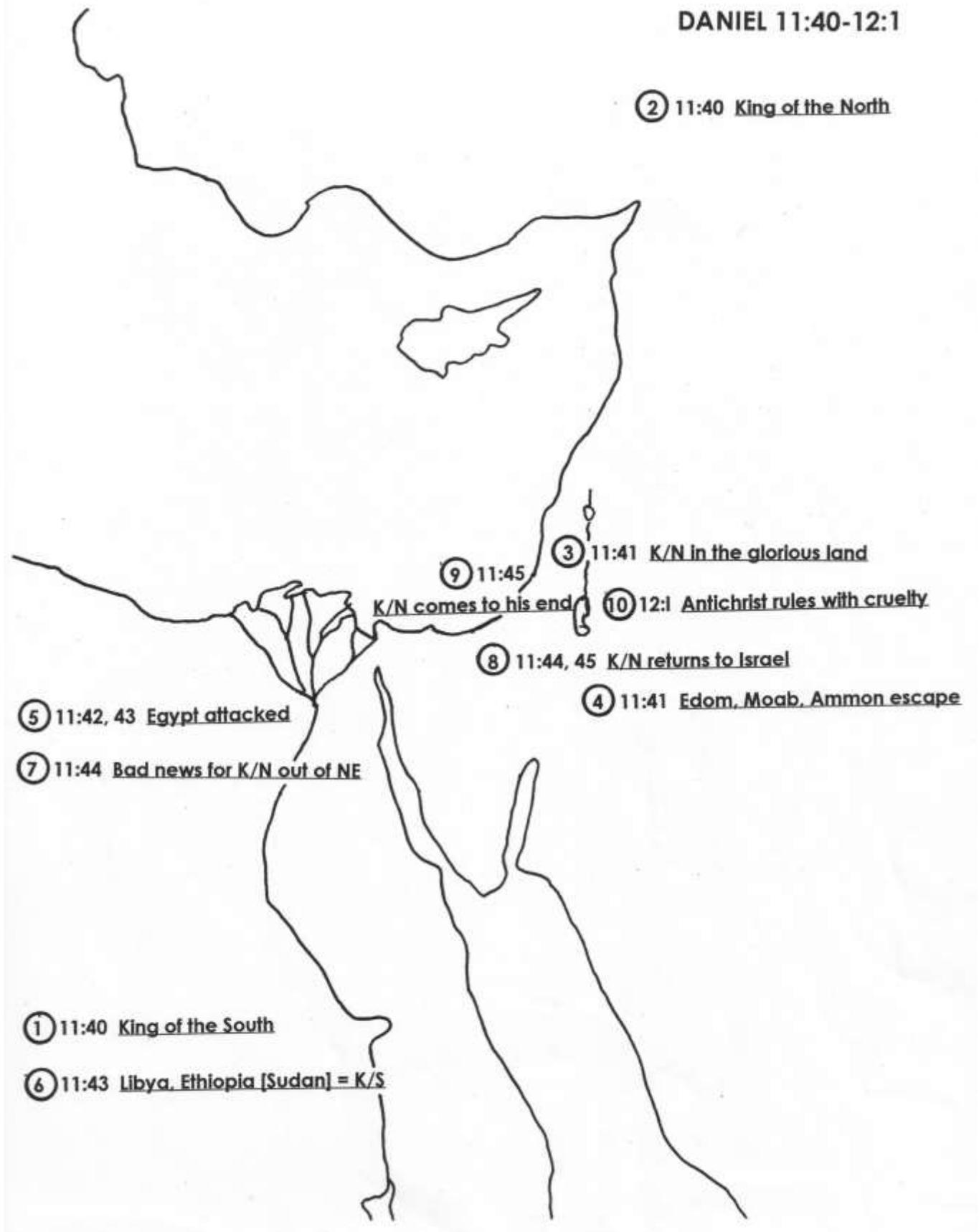
12. What do you find in 12:1 that shows this war occurs near the middle of the Tribulation?

II. Actions When Christ Returns after the Tribulation – 12:2-13

13. Which believers will be resurrected by Christ after the Tribulation? (12:2)
14. When will all unbelievers be resurrected and judged? (Rev 20:11-15)
15. When will Church believers be resurrected? (1 Th 4:13-17; 5:9-11)
15. Who will be like the stars forever and ever? (12:3)
15. How will people respond to Christ as the King of the world? (12:10)
16. Give the days from the middle of the Tribulation for Christ to set up His Kingdom.(12:7,11,12)
17. Name one time that you gave up a plan you had for your life and trusted God's plan for your life.
18. See the progression in the revelations that God gave to Daniel in the chart on page 4.



DANIEL 11:40-12:1



A CHART TO COMPARE THE VISIONS IN DANIEL

VISION	DANIEL 2 (603 B.C.)	DANIEL 7 (553 B.C.)	DANIEL 8 (551 B.C.)	DANIEL 9 (538 B.C.)	DANIEL 10-12 (536 B.C.)
BABYLON (605-539 B.C.)	GOLD head Symbolic of Nebuchadnezzar. Gold is king of metals.	LION + 2 eagle wings Wings plucked; stands on feet; given a man's heart (Neb's sickness, recovery, conversion)			
MEDO-PERSIA (639-323 B.C.)	SILVER breast / arms 2 arms (Medes and Persians) were united in breast (one empire)	BEAR – one shoulder is higher than the 2 nd -- two nations united to make one empire with Persia greater than the Medes.	RAM had two horns: one horn higher than the 2 nd (Persia was greater than Medes)	445 B.C. – Artaxerxes makes a decree to let Nehemiah rebuild the walls of Jerusalem. The city was rebuilt during the next 7 wks of yrs.	XERXES was the 4 th king. He was the rich- est and would use his riches to attack the Greeks. This stirred up Greeks' hatred for M-P.
GREECE (323-63 B.C.)	BRONZE belly/thighs Belly (one empire) 2 thighs (2 Greek king- doms rule over Israel)	LEOPARD with four heads (4 kingdoms). Four wings (speedy conquest of M-P)	MALE GOAT has one horn = Alexander. Horn is broken = Alex death. 4 horns; a little horn comes from 1 of them.	The 62 weeks of years includes the last part of M-P Empire, all of Greek Empire and the 1 st part of Roman Emp.	Alex destroyed M-P. His empire is divided 4 ways. Israel is ruled by kgs N or S of them; one persecuted them.
ANCIENT ROME (63 B.C.-A.D.476)	IRON legs 2 legs (Eastern and Western divisions of the Roman Empire.	FERCE BEAST It was dreadful and strong. It had iron teeth.		Christ is heralded as the King in Jerusalem. This ends 62 wks of yrs. Then He is cut off; Jer. destroyed (A.D.70)	
FUTURE ROME (Date ???)	IRON/ CLAY feet Has strength of iron, but weakness of clay. (Clay is brittle pottery)	TEN HORNS These are ten kings that reign at the same time. A little horn will arise in their midst.	The Greek little horn is like the Roman little horn in nature & in persecuting Israel, but he is more violent.	70 th wk of yrs is the Tribulation. AC makes a 7-year cov. with Isr. He breaks the cov. in middle of it; attacks Isr.	AC builds a strong army. Kg of N. attacks AC in Isr; then attacks Egypt, but is killed in Isr. Now AC attacks Isr
MESSIANIC (After the fall future Rome)	STONE >>mountain Set up by God after Antichrist is judged. Christ rules the earth. His Kingdom is eternal	ANCIENT of DAYS gives the kingdom of David to the SON of MAN. This is when Tribulation begins.		Antichrist (AC), the desolator is desolated. Israel (Isr) receives her Messiah and is given 6 blessings.	75 days after the Tribu- lation, Christ rules the world and those who have received Him will rule in His Kingdom.