The Antichrist: Unleashing the Beast – Al Mahdi
Spirit of Antichrist

Read 1 John 4:2-3, 1 John 2:18

- The Spirit of Antichrist is already at work
- This is an anti-Christian spirit that does everything it can to reject, deny, and undermine the truth of Jesus
- This spirit has been at work since Jesus went back to heaven
- Numerous references to the Antichrist are in the writings of the early church fathers like Irenaeus, Jerome and Hippolytus

Irenaeus said “the Antichrist shall come as an apostate, the very embodiment of satanic apostasy.”

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Old Testament Allusions (from 33)

- Seed of the Serpent: Gen 3:15
- Idol Shepherd: Zech 11:16, 17
- Little Horn: Dan 7:8-11, 21-26, Dan 8:9-12, 23-25
- Prince that shall come: Dan 9:26
- Willful King: Dan 11:36
New Testament Allusions
(from 13)

- Beast
  - Rev 11:7; 13
- Antichrist (Pseudo-Christ)
  - 1 John 2:22
- Lawless One
  - 2 Thess 2:8
- Man of Sin
  - 2 Thess 2:3
- One come in his own name
  - John 5:43
- Son of Perdition
  - 2 Thess 2:3
Arthur Pink, The Antichrist, says “Satan has had full opportunity afforded him to study fallen human nature….The devil knows full well how to dazzle people by the attraction of power…He knows how to use worldly greatness and control it so that it can be employed against God and His people.”
### Christ versus Antichrist

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Satan has always had one man ready to be the Antichrist in case it was the end. Several candidates have always existed: Nero, Hitler, Stalin etc.

The Key = Satan must wait on God’s timing!
The Babylonian Empire 606-539 BC
The Persian Empire 539-332 BC
The Roman Empire 68 BC – 476 AD
Ottoman-Turk Empire 1517-1917 AD
The Fourth Kingdom and the Little Horn
Daniel 7:19-27

- Different from the others; extremely terrifying
- Iron teeth, bronze claws
- Went around devouring, crushing and trampling the whole earth
- Had 10 horns on its head: Horns are 10 kingdoms
- Another horn rises up and subdues 3 of the original horns – (Egypt Libya & Sudan)
- This little horn makes war with Jews and prevails
- Ancient of Days arrives and pronounces judgment on this little horn

Little Horn

- He speaks words against the Most High
- He will oppress the Holy Ones of the Most High
- He will intend to change religious laws and feasts of Israel

Revelation 13:7
And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. And the beast I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

Revelation 13:1, 2
Nimrod II
The 11th King

...when the Assyrian shall come into our land...

Micah 5:5
Revelation 17: Seven Heads

- Egypt
- Assyria
- Babylon
- Persia
- Greece
- Rome
- Ottoman-Turk
- Islamic Caliphate

Read Revelation 17:10-11

- 5 are Fallen
- One is
- One has not yet come
- Beast Kingdom
The Mingled Kingdom

• In Nebuchadnezzar’s dream all the other kingdoms following him would be inferior.
• All the other kingdoms emanated from Babylonian empire or the head. The head initiates. (Nimrod was builder of Babylon)
• This whole kingdom structure exists to harass, influence and ultimately destroy Israel
• If Christ is the head of the church and the King of Babylon is the head of this opposing kingdom of Christ then the Antichrist has some affiliation with Babylon

Kingdom Identity
The kingdom has elements of Rome - Ottomans
• Babylon is the Head of the image not Rome however Revelation 17:7-11 makes it clear that the nation ruling in John’s day will not be
• The nation ruling at the end. Rising up in Greek is the word Abadon.
• The spirit that possesses the Antichrist rises up out of the pit and is the king, Abaddon in the Hebrew (Nimrod)
• This spirit king is released from the Euphrates River. There is today an island in the Shatt Al Arab at the mouth of the Persian Gulf named Abadan. Coincidence??

Hebrew word for mingled is arav which we get the English word Arab! This leads us to the Alternate View!
There is evidence in the Bible that the fall of Satan took place here in Babylon.
Babel in Hebrew means the gate of God. (Ezekiel 28 and Isaiah 14 mention his fall to earth!
There are 5 recorded dwelling places for Satan in Scripture: heaven, garden of Eden, Babylon, Tyre and Turkey. All earthly places are in the Middle East.
The Assyrian: The One to Come

Daniel 8:9 says the little horn will come out of one of the four generals of Alexander’s areas. The little horn foreshadowed in Scripture is Antiochus Epiphanes. He was descended from the Seleucid Dynasty.

Assyria ruled Iraq, Syria and Lebanon and Northern Israel!

Micah 5: 5-6 Land of Assyria, Land of Nimrod
Isaiah 10: 20-25 Shall invade Israel
Isaiah 14: 25-26 Will be on God’s Holy Mountain, God’s Plan for the Earth
Isaiah 30: 30-31 Will be ultimately destroyed by God
Ezekiel 31: 3,6, 8-9, 16 Downfall of Assyria
Nimrod: The Antichrist?

- Read Genesis 6:10-11
- Nimrod was a descendant of Noah, Ham & Cush
- Nimrod also has a connection to the Nephilm in Genesis chapter 6
- He was a builder, hunter & hater of the Living God
- He was the founder of both Nineveh & Babylon
- He was the original center of worship in Babylon & the false system of religion that is called a mystery in Scripture
- He was known as the legendary King Enmerkar of Uruk
- Read Daniel 2:43 again. Mingling with the seed of the Fallen Angels
Nimrod: The Antichrist?

• The spirit of antichrist comes up out of the Abyss, Abaddon in the Greek in Revelation 17:8
• Nimrod only appears in 4 places in Scripture
• Nimrod was also known as Asshur in Scripture & was the king of Assyria
• In Isaiah 2:13 Asshur, aka Nimrod, is referred to as the founder of the Chaldean civilization
• Micah 5:6 we see the reference to “land of Asshur” or Nimrod
Nimrod: The Antichrist?

- According to Arthur Pink in his book “The Antichrist” he said Nimrod was “Satan’s first attempt to raise up a universal ruler of men.”

- Nimrod was ruthless & brutal in defiance of the Creator. In Babylon he assumed divinity.

- We know the Nephilm will return at the time of the end according to Jesus in Matthew chapter 24. Is Nimrod a Nephilm?
Islamic Antichrist

The Madhi

• The 12th Imam from Shia Islam
• He will come on the world scene and convert the entire world to Islam
• He will be a military ruler
• He will be a descendent of Fatima
• He will rule for 7 years
• He will come riding in on a white horse (Revelation 6:1)
• Islam denies that Jesus is the Son of God; Spirit of Antichrist
• He will pursue the Jews to Petra

Additional Antichrist Features

• He will be over the oil states; Daniel 11:24
• He will control the sea; Daniel 11:43, Isaiah 11:15
The “Abomination of Desolation”

Matthew 24:15-16, 2 Thessalonians 2:4

The Temple

UNLEASHING THE BEAST
Armageddon

- All the armies of the world gather together for the last battle
- The Antichrist battles forces from the north, south and east
- He then heads to Jerusalem to destroy it
- God intervenes in the Return of the King: Jesus Christ and defeats the armies of evil
- The Antichrist and the False Prophet are cast into the Lake of Fire
- Satan is chained in the bottomless pit
- This will be one of the most anti-climatic events in history!!!!

- Two purposes are at work here: The divine purpose is that the world is being prepared for the 1,000 year reign of Christ. The satanic purpose is to once and for all liquidate the Jews
Return of the King: Revelation 19:9