IV. Antiochus IV is Antitypical of the Antichrist:

- Antitype = a figure in the New Testament who has a counterpart in the Old Testament.
- Double or Triple-fulfillment prophecy – already fulfilled in history, but is a foreshadowing of what is to come.
  - Antiochus IV – 171-165 BC
  - Roman destruction of Temple in Jerusalem – 64-70 AD
  - Antichrist in Future (Matt. 24:1-31; 2 Thess. 2:1-12; & Rev. 13)

V. Application – Reflect & Seek Jesus for Answers...

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I. Daniel’s Second Vision – Ram, Goat, & “little horn” – (8:1-14)

Daniel 8:1  “In the third year of the reign of King Belshazzar a vision appeared to me, Daniel, after that which appeared to me at the first. 2 And I saw in the vision; and when I saw, I was in Susa the citadel, which is in the province of Elam. And I saw in the vision, and I was at the Ulai canal. 3 I raised my eyes and saw, and behold, a ram standing on the bank of the canal. It had two horns, and both horns were high, but one was higher than the other, and the higher one came up last. 4 I saw the ram charging westward and northward and southward. No beast could stand before him, and there was no one who could rescue from his power. He did as he pleased and became great.

5 As I was considering, behold, a male goat came from the west across the face of the whole earth, without touching the ground. And the goat had a conspicuous horn between his eyes. 6 He came to the ram with the two horns, which I had seen standing on the bank of the canal, and he ran at him in his powerful wrath. 7 I saw him come close to the ram, and he was enraged against him and struck the ram and broke his two horns. And the ram had no power to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground and trampled on him. And there was no one who could rescue the ram from his power. 8 Then the goat became exceedingly great, but when he was strong, the great horn was broken, and instead of it there came up four conspicuous horns toward the four winds of heaven.

9 Out of one of them came a little horn, which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the glorious land. 10 It grew great, even to the host of heaven. And some of the host and some of the stars it threw down to the ground and trampled on them. 11 It became great, even as great as the Prince of the host. And the regular burnt offering was taken away from him, and the place of his sanctuary was overthrown. 12 And a host will be given over to it together with the regular burnt offering because of transgression, and it will throw truth to the ground, and it will act and prosper. 13 Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to the one who spoke, “For how long is the vision concerning the regular burnt offering, the transgression that makes desolate, and the giving over of the sanctuary and host to be trampled underfoot?” 14 And he said to me, “For 2,300 evenings and mornings. Then the sanctuary shall be restored to its rightful state.”
II. Divine Interpretation by the angel Gabriel – (8:15-27)

15 When I, Daniel, had seen the vision, I sought to understand it. And behold, there stood before me one having the appearance of a man. 16 And I heard a man’s voice between the banks of the Ulai, and it called, “Gabriel, make this man understand the vision.” 17 So he came near where I stood. And when he came, I was frightened and fell on my face. But he said to me, “Understand, O son of man, that the vision is for the time of the end.”

18 And when he had spoken to me, I fell into a deep sleep with my face to the ground. But he touched me and made me stand up. 19 He said, “Behold, I will make known to you what shall be at the latter end of the indignation, for it refers to the appointed time of the end.

20 As for the ram that you saw with the two horns, these are the kings of Media and Persia. 21 And the goat is the king of Greece. And the great horn between his eyes is the first king. 22 As for the horn that was broken, in place of which four others arose, four kingdoms shall arise from his nation, but not with his power. 23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors have reached their limit, a king of bold face, one who understands riddles, shall arise. 24 His power shall be great—but not by his own power; and he shall cause fearful destruction and shall succeed in what he does, and destroy mighty men and the people who are the saints. 25 By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand. 26 The vision of the evenings and the mornings that has been told is true, but seal up the vision, for it refers to many days from now.”

27 And I, Daniel, was overcome and lay sick for some days. Then I rose and went about the king’s business, but I was appalled by the vision and did not understand it.

Are we talking about “End Times”?

Are we talking about the “Antichrist”?

Will all this happen in my lifetime?

BI: Prophecy is meant to cause Reflection and to Seek The LORD for Answers.

III. We have the benefit of history & revelation to give us clarification –

- Ram = Medo-Persians (v. 20)
- Goat = Greece (v. 21)

- Great horn (v. 21) = “Alexander the Great” – conquest in 334-331 BC – he died of a fever caused by dissipation (or poison) in 323 BC.

- Four horns: (1) Macedonia-Greece (Cassader); (2) Thrace-Asia Minor (Lysmachus); (3) Egypt-Palestine (Ptolemy’s); & (4) Asia (Seleucids).

- “little horn” = Antiochus IV the Seleucid (vv. 9-14 & 22-26) – he waged war against Egypt-Palestine (Ptolemy’s & Israel) from 171 BC with an intense focus on the Jews from 168 BC-165 BC.

- 2,300 evenings & mornings of desecration until sacrifice restored:
  - He started his conquest to change religion in Israel in 171 BC.
  - He put an end to daily sacrifice in 168 BC:
    - He set up an idol to Zeus in the Temple in Jerusalem.
    - He sacrificed swine in the Temple.
    - He forced Jews to eat the swine or die.
    - He proclaimed himself “God Manifest”
  - He was overthrown by the Maccabaeus in 165 BC.
  - The Temple was “re-dedicated” to Yahweh on Dec. 25, 165 BC.
  - Hanukkah – “Festival of Lights” / “Feast of Dedication”

Is the “little horn” of chap. 8 the “little horn” of chap. 7?

A Comparison of Daniel 2, 7, & 8

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Let us LOVE God & people by praying for:
Moor Family (Passing of Ernestine Moor), Paul ZeBarth (health), Bill Hall (health), and those with ongoing needs: Kim Smith (seizures), Martha Miller & all those that are unemployed. Please also pray for the staff and Elders of Grace Church.

Looking Ahead
March 1------ Youth Overnighter
March 12---- Awana Grand Prix 5:30p@Blvd. Prk.
March 23---- Community Day
March 29---- Good Friday Service
March 31---- Easter Celebration & Breakfast
April 5-6 ----- Dare to Share
April 14------- Spring Kick-off
July 14-18 --- Grace Summer Camp
July 22-25--- Beach Bash @ the Park VBS
Welcome to Grace! Thanks for joining us today. Feel free to bring your coffee into worship and make yourself comfortable. Take a deep breath, clear your head, and prepare your heart and mind to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Grace Church is committed to living authentically in relationship with God and others. Together we strive to meet the needs here and around the world. To learn more, grab a booklet from the desk in the foyer.

If you would like us to follow up with you, feel free to fill out this form, tear it out and drop it at the Welcome Desk.

For today’s date, name, I am a guest of, address, phone, phone (cell), email:

☐ How to begin a relationship with Jesus
☐ Want to know more about Grace
☐ Interested in joining a Group
☐ Interested in serving at Grace (if so where?)
☐ Address/info change
☐ Add me to the church email list
☐ Interested in baptism

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**THIS WEEK AT GRACE**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24**
9:00 am  Sunday Morning Classes
10:00 am  Coffee & Fellowship
10:30 am  WORSHIP - sanctuary
* 1st-3rd grade dismissed to Children’s Church.
  *Kid’s bulletins available in the foyer.
6:30 pm  Youth Small Groups

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 25**
Church Office open 9 am to 4:00 pm
6:30 pm  Ernestine Moor Memorial

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 26**
Church Office open 9 am to 4:00 pm

**WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27**
Church Office open 9 am to 4 pm
6:30 pm  Awana
6:30 pm  Celebrate Recovery - Family Rm
7:00 pm  Youth Group - the shack

**THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 28**
Church Office open 9 am to 4 pm
9:30 am  Women’s Bible Study - foyer
8:30 pm  College group - Schlaud house

**FRIDAY, MARCH 1**
Church Office closed
9:30 am  MOPS Play Date - rms 121-122

**SATURDAY, MARCH 2**
10:00 am  GriefShare - rm 123

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**MOOR MEMORIAL SERVICE**
The memorial service for Ernestine Moor will be TOMORROW at 6:30 pm, Feb. 25 here at Grace Church followed by a cookie reception. Please pray for the Moor family during this time of loss.

**SOUND ASSISTANCE**
Are you in need of hearing assistance during the worship service? We have both sound amplification and sound dampener devices available for use during the service. Please ask at the Welcome Center in the foyer.

**PRESCHOOL VOLUNTEERS**
Preschool Volunteer Meeting, Sunday, March 3rd after Sunday services. This meeting is for all Sunday School and church time volunteers and assistants. The primary purpose is for coordination and communication. Please make every effort to be at this meeting.

**LOOKING TO THE FUTURE**
Get these dates on your calendar — Fiesta Multi-Church Day Camp, July 22-25, 1-4:30 pm. We want you to be praying about involvement as a volunteer. Areas to minister include crew leaders, crafts, registration, snacks, crew leaders, medical, prayer, games, childcare (for Grace church volunteers only), transportation using church van, drama, set up / security, and crew leaders. (I guess I did repeat myself there! – You get the point – Very much needed) Orientation and specific crew leaders training will be provided in advance. Please contact Pastor Jerry if interested – Don’t delay!!

**WHEELCHAIRS NEEDED**
Do you have a wheelchair in good condition with the foot piece set that you no longer need? Grace Church could use one for emergency situations. Please call the Church office if you have one and we will arrange someone to come pick it up!

**FATHER / DAUGHTER RETREAT**
Grab your dad or daughter and plan to attend this year’s Father/Daughter Retreat March 15-17. Registration forms are available at the Welcome Center. Questions? Contact Ron Sasaki or the church office.

**YOUTH ALL-NIGHTER**
On Friday, March 1st, the Grace Youth Group is having an all-nighter at the church. Meet at the church at 7:00 pm, as we will be going roller skating at Pattison’s West in Federal Way to begin the night. The cost is $20 to cover skating, food, gas, etc. Pick-up time for the event is 8 AM on Saturday morning. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Nathan.

**DAILY BREAD DAILY DEVOTIONAL**
Looking for a daily devotional booklet? ‘Our Daily Bread’ is a favorite used by millions of people around the world. Spend time in God’s Word and find meaning in each day’s Scripture reading. Pick up at current issue at the Welcome Center and enjoy the timely stories and life applications found in its pages.