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A MAN AND A BOOK CALLED

# DANIEL

PART 30:

**HISTORY IS DEFINITELY TAKING US SOMEWHERE ( 2 )**

*Reading: Daniel 11:31 - 37*

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## **Introduction**

- In [Daniel 11] its as though Daniel is watching a chronological preview of history on a screen.
- Events from his day until the '*consummation of the ages*.'

## **1 The Early Church**

- [Daniel 11:32]. "*The people that know their God shall be strong and do exploits.*" = the early church.
- [Daniel 11:33] foretells the persecution of the church under the Caesars. [2 Corinthians 4: 8 - 9].

## **2 The Christianisation Of The Empire**

- [Vs 34]. The '*little help*' was the legalisation of Christianity in AD313 with the '*Edict of Milan*.'
- [Vs 34]. "*Many shall join them with intrigue.*"
- The pagans rushed into the church and it quickly started to become '*paganised*'.

### **3 The Falling Away Of The Church [Vs 36 - 39]**

- The church '*fell away*' from NT teaching. [2 Thessalonians 2:3].
- [Vs 36] This '*king*' is the rise of the papacy.

### **4 Another King Of The North & Another King Of The South [Vs 40 - 45]**

- The king of the north was the Turkish/Ottoman empire.
- The king of the south was the Muslim Arab nations.
- Together they attacked/opposed the papacy.
- The king of the North [Vs 41] took the '*glorious land*' or the Holy Land.
- [Vs 45] he "*shall come to his end.*"
- The Ottoman empire was weakening in the C18th & C19th in various wars.
- They held the Holy Land until it was taken from them in 1917 by General Edmund Allenby.
- The way now prepared for the '*Jews*' to return.
- NB. Another king of the North (Russia) will soon arise and come against Israel.
- That chapter has also been written as well as the outcome.
- "*We have a more sure word of prophecy that shines as a light in a dark place.*"

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