### Series: The Book of Daniel Title: The Ungodly Will Perish Daniel 11:1-31

#### Introduction

Chapter 11 contains one of the most specifically fulfilled prophecies of the Bible. It accurately predicts history for the next 375 years and then to the end of time. The chapter is so specific that critics who deny supernatural revelation have insisted that it is history, written after the fact, fraudulently claiming to be prophecy.

- 1. These visions of the future of the Persian and Greek Empires are relevant because each empire attempted to wipe out the
- The angel told Daniel of a mighty king with a kingdom that would not endure but be \_\_\_\_\_\_ after the mighty king's death.
- 3. It was fulfilled by Alexander the Great, the mighty king who died suddenly of a fever at \_\_\_\_\_ years of age.
- 4. His \_\_\_\_\_ generals would later divide the Greek Empire among themselves.
- The rest of the prophecy focuses on two of the four generals because they continuously fought over the Land, caught between their centers of power.
- 6. These two dynasties (North Seleucids and South Ptolemies) fought for \_\_\_\_\_ years, and the stronger of the two always ruled over the Holy Land.
- 7. When the kings of the North and South are joined by marriage, they become allies for a while, but the arrangement doesn't
- 8. The army from the South \_\_\_\_\_\_ the kingdom of the North.
- 9. In a furious battle, Antiochus III took back the Holy Land from the \_\_\_\_\_\_ of the Ptolemies.

- 10. Antiochus III was defeated at the battle of \_\_\_\_\_\_ and forced to give back dominion over the Holy Land to Ptolemy IV.
- 11. Jews living in the Holy Land helped Antiochus III defeat the king of the South because they \_\_\_\_\_\_ the rule of the Egyptian Ptolemies.
- 12. Their decision proved to be unwise when he turned his \_\_\_\_\_ upon Israel.
- 13. Antiochus III turned his attention towards Asia Minor and Greece and was joined by \_\_\_\_\_\_, the famous general from Carthage.
- 14. Needing money, Antiochus pillaged a Babylonian temple but was killed by the \_\_\_\_\_\_ local citizens.
- 15. Seleucus III, the oldest son of Antiochus III, began to increase taxes but his plan to pillage the Jerusalem temple was abandoned when his ambassador had an angelic vision of
- 16. Antiochus IV didn't use terror to gain power, he used flattery, smooth promises, and
- 17. Several details apply to the activities of the last Syrian king, the
- 18. The Antichrist will do according to his own \_\_\_\_\_ until Christ returns.
- 19. The Antichrist will lead only \_\_\_\_\_ invasion against Egypt.
- 20. Antiochus Epiphanes carried on the feud between the dynasties but pretended friendship and alliance to catch them off
- 21. At the end of it all, Antiochus Epiphanes and his kingdom came under the dominion of \_\_\_\_\_.

22. Antiochus turns his rage upon \_\_\_\_\_.

- 23. Antiochus Ephiphanes' attempted to reduce Egypt to \_\_\_\_\_, but the Roman Navy defeated Antiochus Epiphanes in a famous battle.
- 24. When Antiochus Epiphanes returned from Egypt, he was \_\_\_\_\_ from defeat.
- 25. He demanded sacrifice to the image of Zeus and later desecrated the temple by sacrificing a \_\_\_\_\_\_ on it.
- 26. When Antiochus Epiphanes turned on Jerusalem, the Jewish people were \_\_\_\_\_.
- 27. His terror could only last for as long as God had \_\_\_\_\_\_ it, and God had a purpose even for such persecution and blasphemy.
- 28. The underlying theme of this chapter is that humanity that is in \_\_\_\_\_\_ against God will actually fulfill the plan designed by God long before time began.

## I. God Loves Israel

29. God declared Israel holy, not because of their superior behavior or righteous activities, but because He set them apart for

30. God chose Israel for only one \_\_\_\_\_; He loved them.

### II. God Loves You

- 31. God's love \_\_\_\_\_ you.
- 32. God's love for us is not \_\_\_\_\_\_ on anything commendable in us.
- 33. Because of Christ, God chooses us to be His special
- 34. We often have selfish hearts and \_\_\_\_\_ worship, yet God loves us!

# III. Conclusion

- 35. Prophecy reveals the ungodly will \_\_\_\_\_.
- 36. Those who refuse to believe and receive God's love will be \_\_\_\_\_ from His world.
- 37. Because of God's love for us, Jesus paid the \_\_\_\_\_\_ for all of our sins.

Because of Jesus, you can be forgiven, no matter what you've done. No matter how many mistakes you've made or how unworthy you feel, God continues to love you and wants you to know that! Whenever we come to God, we experience His love through His forgiveness, His healing touch upon us, and the wisdom and guidance He imparts to us.

#### Answers

- 1. Jews
- 2. divided
- 3. 32
- 4. four
- 5. Promised
- 6. 130
- 7. last
- 8. defeats
- 9. dominion
- 10. Raphia
- 11. resented
- 12. destruction
- 13. Hannibal

- 14. enraged
- 15. warning
- 16. intrigue
- 17. Antichrist
- 18. will
- 19. one
- 20. guard
- 21. Rome
- 22. Israel
- 23. slavery
  - 24. bitter
- 25. pig
- 26. divided

- 27. appointed
- 28. rebellion
- 29. Himself
- 30. reason
- 31. includes
- 32. conditional
- 33. treasure
- 34. empty
- 35. perish
- 36. removed
- 37. price

### QUESTIONS FOR MEDITATION

- 1. How does knowing that God can predict and control the future give you confidence in what you are facing right now?
- 2. How does knowing that there was nothing special about Israel that caused God to love and choose them help encourage you and help you believe that God loves you as well?
- 3. Have you ever made a decision you thought was right (like the Israelites aligning with Antiochus Epiphanes over the Egyptians) but ended up being a disaster? How does knowing God's protection was still on Israel in the midst of the difficulties help deal with the eventual consequences of what turns out to be bad decisions?