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# Abomination of Desolation

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# Topics.

- The abomination of desolation.
- Seven abominations the Lord hates.

### THE ABOMINATION OF DESOLATION

The word abomination means, to have a strong dislike, be disgusted, especially towards idolatry, and by implication to detest and abhor something that is abominable or extremely offensive.

- Daniel 11:31: Forces (Armies) from him (A contemptible person) shall appear and profane the temple and fortress, and shall take away the regular burnt offering. And they (The armies of the contemptible person) shall set up the abomination that makes desolate.
- **Daniel 12:11:** from the time that the regular burnt offering is taken away and the abomination that makes desolate is set up, there shall be 1,290 days. (Daniel 12:11)

From the time that abomination of Desolation is set up to the resurrection (see next chapter) there will be 1,290 days.

# The contemptible person shall:

- Seduce with flattery those who violate the covenant.
- Do as he will.
- · Exalt himself and magnify himself above every god.
- Speak astonishing things against the God of gods.
- Prosper till the indignation anger or outrage (displeasure) is accomplished.
- Come into the glorious land.
- Tens of thousands shall fall but they will be delivered out of his hand (Daniel 11:32-33).

### Abomination of desolation, carries the idea of:

- Leaving a place empty, barren, deserted and uninhabited.
- Bringing about dismay, gloom, shock, and horror.
- Making people feel wretched, joyless, and without hope.

When Daniel, in prophecy, tried to describe something so abhorrent and loathsome to all moral and religious decency, that leaves in its wake total-destruction, he used this term, "abomination of desolation." (Dan. 9:27) (Dan. 11:31) (Dan. 12:11). The abomination that Daniel has in focus, is a person, or something (perhaps the internet or artificial intelligence), that no matter how much good, he or it achieves, the end-result will be waste and destruction.

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- Daniel 9:27: And he shall make a strong covenant with many for one week, and for half
  of the week he shall put an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the wing of abominations
  shall come one who makes desolate, until the decreed end is poured out on the desolator."
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Following are five different ideas concerning the abomination of desolation:

- 1. The Jews thought (Daniel 11:31) was fulfilled in 186 BC, when Antiochus Epiphanes the king of Syria erected an idolatrous altar on the altar of the temple in Jerusalem and sacrificed a pig on it to the heathen god Jupiter Olympus. But this does not correspond to history or with Antiochus IV's historical events. After the abomination of desolation (Dan. 11:31), Antiochus IV never defeated Egypt, because the Roman power stopped him, let alone defeat Libyans or Ethiopians.
- 2. Jesus said to his disciples:
  - **Matthew 24:15:** "when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand).

He we are told the abomination of desolation is standing in the Holy Place, which is God's temple at Jerusalem, which means the abomination of desolation is something or someone who should not be in the Holy Place. Jesus confirms this statement in the following verse:

• Mark 13:14: "But when you see the abomination of desolation standing where he ought not to be (let the reader understand), then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.

Many believe this was fulfilled when Jerusalem was destroyed in 70 A.D., and the temple was desecrated by Roman soldiers and by Jewish Zealots.

- Some believe the abomination of desolation, could figuratively refer to something or someone being in the church or body of Christ that should not be there.
- 4. A certain Christian group, believes the abomination of desolation refers to Islam's Dome of the rock.
- 5. Other scholars, see the prophecies of Daniel and of Jesus, concerning the abomination of desolation, as a prophetic prophecy to be filled in the later days, which will bring about end of this age as we know it today. Those who hold this view, suppose it refers to the the man of lawlessness (man of sin in KJV), that Paul speaks of in (2 Thessalonians 2). In the book of Luke, Jesus says, "when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near." (Luke 21:20) (Matthew 24:14-22).

At, this time Jesus was speaking to Peter, James, John, and Andrew (all Jewish). To the Jewish mind the Holy Place is the temple of God in Jerusalem, so it is supposed that Jesus was saying, "when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation is near." Putting these verses together some believe the abomination of desolation refers to the armies of the world surrounding Jerusalem and

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gaining the victory over it, then the captain (the man of lawlessness) of the world's armies setting himself up in the temple of God in Jerusalem. This event, then brings such sudden destruction, that there will be no time to stop and collect anything before fleeing. (Mark 13:15-16).

Mark 13:15-16: Let the one who is on the housetop not go down, nor enter his house, to take anything out, <sup>16</sup> and let the one who is in the field not turn back to take his cloak.

Oil, the middle east, and the world oil supplies: the Middle East supplies most of the oil to the world. On a TV, SBS documentary (2008) about the shortage of global oil, an Arab leader made the following statement to the reporter doing the interview, "whoever controls the oil holds the West hostage." When Israel is attacked, many nations, whether they want to or not will be forced to either defend Israel or support the nations attacking it, simply because whoever controls the Middle East controls the oil. It will be very clear to see who these verses are applying to as the time of the end approaches.

### SEVEN ABOMINATIONS THE LORD HATES

- 1. Haughty eyes.
- 2. A lying tongue.
- Hands that shed innocent blood.
- 4. A heart that devises wicked plans.
- 5. Feet that make haste to run to evil.
- 6. A false witness.
- 7. One who sows discord among brothers. (Prov. 6:16-20).

### Further abominations to the LORD.

Coveting the silver or gold that is on idols.

• **Deuteronomy 7:25:** The carved images of their gods you shall burn with fire. You shall not covet the silver or the gold that is on them or take it for yourselves, lest you be ensnared by it, for it is an abomination to the LORD your God.

A devious person.

• **Proverbs 3:32:** for the devious person is an abomination to the LORD, but the upright are in his confidence.

Those who speak lies.

• Proverbs 8:7: for my mouth will utter truth; wickedness is an abomination to my lips.

Those who cheat a business.

• **Proverbs 11:1:** A false balance is an abomination to the LORD, but a just weight is his delight.

Those whose heart is full of wickedness

 Proverbs 11:20: Those of crooked heart are an abomination to the LORD, but those of blameless ways are his delight. Those who tell lies.

• **Proverbs 12:22:** Lying lips are an abomination to the LORD, but those who act faithfully are his delight.

The lifestyle of the wicked.

Proverbs 15:9: The way of the wicked is an abomination to the LORD, but he loves him
who pursues righteousness.

The thoughts of the wicked and an arrogant heart.

• **Proverbs 15:26:** The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the LORD, but gracious words are pure.

Those full of pride and arrogance.

• **Proverbs 16:5:** Everyone who is arrogant in heart is an abomination to the LORD; be assured, he will not go unpunished.

Kings who do evil.

• **Proverbs 16:12:** It is an abomination to kings to do evil, for the throne is established by righteousness.

Justifying the wicked and condemning the righteous.

 Proverbs 17:15: He who justifies the wicked and he who condemns the righteous are both alike an abomination to the LORD.

Cheating in business.

• **Proverbs 20:10:** Unequal weights and unequal measures are both alike an abomination to the LORD.

People who have no interest in learning and obeying the law.

• Proverbs 28:9: If one turns away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer is an abomination.

Oppressing the poor, committing robbery, not keeping a promise and worshipping idols.

• Ezekiel 18:12: oppresses the poor and needy, commits robbery, does not restore the pledge, lifts up his eyes to the idols, commits abomination,

Those who are morally corrupt.

• Ezekiel 2211: One commits abomination with his neighbor's wife; another lewdly defiles his daughter-in-law; another in you violates his sister, his father's daughter.

Those who have no faith toward God, and slander His name, and those who lay with another man's wife, a daughter in law, or sister.

Malachi 2:11: Judah has been faithless, and abomination has been committed in Israel
and in Jerusalem. For Judah has profaned the sanctuary of the LORD, which he loves, and
has married the daughter of a foreign god.

## For further information see the title:

- The Future Kingdom of God in the New Testament.
- In, Kingdom of God (ON WEBSITE MENU).

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