Daniel 8 - Part 1
The “Chazown”
The Vision of the Progression of Earthly Powers
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Daniel 8 includes two visions in one - the “chazown” (H2377) and the “mareh” (H4758) (Strong).

The “chazown” is the vision of the progression of earthly powers that is described in Daniel 11 as well as Daniel 7 (although chapter 7 does not use the Hebrew word, “chazown”, as it was written in Aramaic).

The “mareh” of Daniel 8 is the “2300 days”, which for present truth is the vision of the investigative judgement for Seventh-day Adventists and eleventh-hour workers. The “mareh” is also described in Daniel 9:24-27, but it only includes the investigative judgement for Seventh-day Adventists.

Verse 2 - And I saw in a vision2377; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I was at Shushan in the palace, which is in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision2377, and I was by the river of Ulai.

Although the vision of the progression of earthly powers (“chazown”) in Daniel 11 begins at 1989, its focus is on the 45th and 46th presidents, particularly the 46th president. The “chazown” of chapter 8 also focuses primarily on the 46th president, although the 45th president is briefly mentioned. The reason that the 46th president is emphasized is because chapter 8 (for present truth) describes the investigative judgement of living Seventh-day Adventists and eleventh-hour workers which begins when the 46th president is in power.

Verse 3 - Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last.

Verse 20 - The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.

The ram represents the United States under the leadership of the last two presidents of a sovereign nation – the 45th and the 46th presidents. Verse 3 states that both these presidents are “high”, which means:
H1364 - gâbôahh, gaw-bo'-ah; or ꜕אף gâbôwahh; (fully) from H1361; elevated (or elated), powerful, arrogant:—haughty, height, high(-er), lofty, proud, × exceeding proudly (Strong).

Although both presidents are described to be proud, it is the 46th president that is the most elevated and powerful. This is the horn that “comes up last”, meaning that the 46th president will be the last president of a sovereign United States. He is also the most powerful and haughty because he will be the one to exalt himself as a political and religious dictator under whose leadership the Sunday law will be enacted and enforced in the United States (Daniel 11:17a, 22, 36a, 38).

Although chapter 8 technically begins with the 45th president, the focus is on the 46th president, for it will be under him that the movements for the Sunday law will occur (Daniel 11:28, 30). These periods will be the final periods of character preparation for Seventh-day Adventists prior to the enforcement of the Sunday law (Daniel 9:25). After the 46th president enforces the Sunday law, probationary time for Seventh-day Adventists in the United States will close when the country loses its national sovereignty (Daniel 9:27b, 11:22). Then after the 46th president continues to enforce the Sunday law around the world in partnership with the United Nations, probationary time for Seventh-day Adventists throughout the world will close when its ruling power is given to the papacy (Daniel 9:27a).

When the papacy is on the seat of world power, the 46th president will act as the primary enforcer of the Sunday law for the papacy, and the final group of God’s people, the eleventh-hour workers, will face their third test, and probation will close for the entire world (Daniel 8:14).

Verse 4 - I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great.

Whereas the second horn that comes up last on the ram represents the 46th president in verse 3, the ram itself in verse 4 represents the United States under the leadership of the 46th president. The ram’s actions describe the 46th president’s progressive demonstration of power once he takes over the
presidency from Trump. Daniel 11 describes in consecutive order the three entities that the 46th president will use his power against and destroy (“push”) once he comes into office: 1) 45th president 2) civil rebellion 3) Russia.

The first entity that the 46th president will destroy is the 45th president (Daniel 11:6c), which is represented by the “westward” direction. This direction symbolizes the democratic nature of the United States because the Constitution will still be intact under Trump’s presidency. Although Trump may attempt to become an authoritarian leader, the checks and balances on his power embodied in the Constitution prevent him from reaching his goal.

Daniel 11 describes that the next entity that the 46th president will use his power against will be his own citizens. This is described as “northward” in Daniel 8:4. The United States president is represented as the “king of the north” in Daniel 11, and the country’s citizens are in the “northward” direction in Daniel 8. When the 46th president takes over the presidency, there will be a civil uprising against him (Daniel 11:21a), and he will force down this uprising with great power and control (Daniel 11:10b).

The last entity that the 46th president will powerfully destroy will be Russia and its leader (Daniel 11:15). It is represented by “southward” in chapter 8 just as the leader of Russia is symbolized as the “king of the south” in Daniel 11:40a.

These three entities will be obstacles to the 46th president obtaining absolute power over the United States. Once he eliminates them, he will have no opposition against his sole power, for he will control all branches of the United States government (Daniel 11:3, 36; “do according to his will”).

Verse 5 - And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes.

Verse 21 - And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.
The goat represents the United States’ change from a democracy to a dictatorship. As already mentioned, the “west” represents the democracy of the United States. The Constitution will still be intact when the 46th first becomes president, and the image of the goat coming from the “west” represents the United States functioning under an intact Constitution. But the “notable horn” represents the 46th president disregarding the Constitution entirely after destroying Russia. At that point, as he disregards all checks and balances against his power and makes himself an authoritarian leader, he will be the “first king” or the first dictator in the United States’ history (Daniel 11:3, 16, 36).

Verse 6 - And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power.

Verse 7 - And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand.

At this point, the ram with two horns represents the United States Constitution, particularly the separation of church and state embodied in it. After the 46th president removes all checks and balances against his power, which he will accomplish with the support of the different branches of government, he will make himself a dictator. But his desire for complete control will not end there. He will destroy the democratic principles of the United States government entirely, both politically and religiously (Daniel 11:36, 37). This will be a reaction to the extreme calamities the United States will face under his leadership and the influence of the papacy when he turns to it for support (Daniel 11:10c, 13, 28, 29, 30). His frustrations against the constraints upon his power will finally lead to a complete repudiation of the Constitution (Daniel 11:16), which is represented by the fury of the goat in destroying the ram.

Verse 8 - Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.

Verse 22 - Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.
When the 46th president disregards the principles of the Constitution and exalts himself as a political dictator ("waxed very great"), it won’t be long until he also acts as a religious dictator and enacts and enforces the Sunday law ("when he was strong"). When the United States reaches national apostasy by enacting and enforcing the Sunday law, it will incur God’s wrath and will experience national ruin. Just as Daniel 11:4 and 22 state that the United States will be “broken” when it enforces the Sunday law, Daniel 8:8 and 22 also describe this same scenario.

Due to rejecting His law and accepting papal policies (the Sunday law), God will allow terrorist Islamic groups to attack the United States to such extent that its economy will not be able to recover (Daniel 11:4, 22; “broken”). This will end the United States’ national sovereignty, and the 46th president will lose his ultimate and sole power over the country (“great horn was broken”). The United States will be absorbed by the United Nations (“four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven”). Although the 46th president will continue to predominantly rule with other world leaders at that time, his power will no longer be as great as when he is sole ruler of the United States during the Sunday law in the country, nor will the United Nations have the same might and power as the 46th president over the United States, for the papacy will be a part of the United Nations at that time and will share in the governance of the world (“but not in his power”).

Verse 9 - And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

The little horn that comes out of one of the four horns represents the papacy. Daniel 11:5 describes the papacy as co-ruling with the United Nations when it takes control of the Sunday law after the United States loses its sovereignty ("And the king of the south shall be strong, and one of his princes"). When the United Nations is in power, the papacy will be part of the confederacy of nations, and when this confederacy is unable to rule without financial assistance (Daniel 2:42; “partly strong and
partly broken”), its power will be given to the papacy (“waxed exceeding great”). Thus, the “little horn” (papacy) is described to come out of one of the horns (one of the powers of the United Nations).

Verse 9 describes the ascendency of the papacy. It doesn’t become great suddenly. It “waxes great” by overcoming three areas, just as the 46th president becomes a dictator after overcoming three entities. The three areas that the papacy conquers in order to regain its original religiopolitical position in ruling the world will be the “south, the east, and the pleasant land”. Just as verse 4 describes in sequential order the entities that the 46th president will overcome, verse 9 also describes in sequential order the three powers that the papacy will overcome.

Daniel 11 explains that Russia is the last power that the 46th president will overcome in order to become a dictator, but it will be the first power the papacy will overcome in order to become the world’s religiopolitical dictator. In chapter 11, prior to the United Nations taking control of the Sunday law around the world, Russia is referred to as the “south”, which symbol is also used in chapter 8 to refer to the same nation.

The next power that the papacy overpowers on its rise to world dominion will be the United States. In chapter 8, the United States is referred to as the “west” and also as the “east”. When it is referred to as the “west”, it is when the United States Constitution is still intact under both the 45th and 46th presidents. When the 46th president takes over the presidency from Trump, the first direction he will “push” against is “westward”, which represents the punishment of Trump, his Administration, and political supporters who all govern when the Constitution is still intact. At the time of the 46th president punishing the 45th presidency, the Constitution will still be intact, although the 46th president will progress in the direction to eliminate it. The punishment of Trump will be the first step in accomplishing that goal, and when Russia is destroyed, the 46th president will then destroy the Constitution, and will do so coming from the “west”, which represents that he will serve under a functional Constitution prior to it being destroyed.
I saw the ram pushing westward (The 46th president punishes Trump, his Administration, and all those associated with and supportive of him who functioned under an intact Constitution), and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great. Daniel 8:4

And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth (At first, the 46th president functions under an intact Constitution, but throughout his presidency, he progressively destroys the Constitution), and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes. Daniel 8:5

Once the Constitution is repudiated and the 46th president enacts and enforces the Sunday law in the United States, the country is then referred to as the “east”. This transition from a democracy to an autocracy is represented by the change in direction from “west” to “east”. That is why when the powers which the papacy overcomes are listed in verse 9, the United States is referred to as the “east”. When the papacy overcomes it, it will be when the 46th president has made himself a dictator and enacts and enforces the Sunday law, which will be when the Constitution is no longer intact (no longer referred to as “west”) but will be repudiated (now referred to as “east”).

The third power that the papacy overcomes is the United Nations. This is referred to as the “pleasant land” in verse 9. The “pleasant land” of this verse does not represent the “glorious land” in Daniel 11:41. Though these terms may be similar, they must be understood in the context of the verses. Daniel 11:41 describes the enforcement of the Sunday law in the United States after Russia is destroyed, which follows the sequence of events described throughout chapter 11. In Daniel 8:9, if the “pleasant land” is understood to represent the United States, the papacy’s sequence of overcoming powers is disrupted, for the United States is not the last power to be overcome by the papacy. In the explanation of the powers overcome by the papacy, Daniel 11 consistently describes the order that they are overcome as Russia, the United States, and then the United Nations. Daniel 8:9 also describes the plucking up of these powers in sequence, not out of sequence.

Although “pleasant” and "glorious” are the same Hebrew word and can be interchangeable in some cases, in the context of Daniel 8:9 and 11:41, these phrases represent two different areas.
Symbols can have more than one meaning, and the symbolic meaning of the word needs to be derived from its context. With Daniel 11 describing the last power to be overcome by the papacy as the United Nations, and with Daniel 8:9 listing the “pleasant land” as the last power to be overcome, it is then consistent to understand that the “pleasant land” represents the United Nations. In addition to this understanding, the Bible also refers to a conglomeration of nations as the “pleasant land”.

But I said, How shall I put thee among the children, and give thee a pleasant land, a goodly heritage of the hosts of nations? and I said, Thou shalt call me, My father; and shalt not turn away from me. Jeremiah 3:19

The “goodly heritage of the hosts of nations” was Canaan.

Who smote great nations, and slew mighty kings; Sihon king of the Amorites, and Og king of Bashan, and all the kingdoms of Canaan: And gave their land for an heritage, an heritage unto Israel his people. Ps 135:10-12

Canaan consisted of a mass of nations and is also described as “goodly cities”.

And it shall be, when the LORD thy God shall have brought thee into the land which he sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give thee great and goodly cities which thou buildest not ... Deuteronomy 6:10

The words, “pleasant” and “goodly”, have similar meanings, and the above verses clearly show that Canaan, a “host of nations”, is referred to as the “pleasant land”. Mrs. White uses “goodly” to describe Canaan.

The people rejoiced that they were to come into possession of so goodly a land, and they listened intently as the report was brought to Moses, that not a word should escape them ... They enumerated the powerful nations located in various parts of the country ... (PP 387).

Daniel 8:9 refers to the area of conquest as the “pleasant land”, and Daniel 11:41 refers to the area of conquest as the “glorious land”. This simple change of phrase doesn’t necessarily denote a change of geographical areas, but when the context of the verses are understood with the order of the places of conquest, it signifies that these two symbols are not interchangeable, but that they represent two different geographical areas. Whereas the “glorious land” of Daniel 11:41 represents the United States, the “pleasant land” of Daniel 8:9 represents the United Nations, the third and final area of
conquest for the papacy. The United Nations is also comprised of a “host of nations” just as Canaan was.

The comparison of Daniel 11:40-42 and Daniel 8:9 in the order of the papacy’s conquest is listed below:

1) Russia: “king of the south” (11:40) = “south” (8:9)
2) United States: “glorious land” (11:41) = “east” (8:9)
3) United Nations: “countries” (11:42) = “pleasant land” (8:9)

Verse 23 - And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.

Daniel 8:9 describes the papacy’s ascendancy to power by overcoming three powerful entities: Russia, United States, and the United Nations. Verse 23 then enlarges upon this topic and states that it will be at the end of the United Nations’ rule that the papacy will take control of the world (“in the latter time of their kingdom … a king of fierce countenance … shall stand up”). This verse also provides additional information about what will occur at the end of the United Nations’ rule. It states that when the United Nations loses its power, “the transgressors are come to the full”. The “transgressors” in this verse do not refer to the leaders of the United Nations, for Mrs. White states that it is when leaders enforce the Sunday law (the beginning of their rule over the Sunday law) that their guilt is full.

... It is at the time of the national apostasy, when, acting on the policy of Satan, the rulers of the land will rank themselves on the side of the man of sin—it is then the measure of guilt is full; the national apostasy is the signal for national ruin (2SM 372).

The guilt of the United States will be full at the beginning of the enforcement of the Sunday law. If this is the case for the United States, then this same principle must also apply to the leaders of the United Nations. It is not at the end of their rule that their guilt will be full, but at the beginning, when the United Nations takes over the rulership of the Sunday law from the United States. The “transgressors” in verse 23 must then refer to a different group, for this verse states that it is at the end of the United Nations rule that their sins are “come to the full”. The “transgressors” in verse 23
represent unfaithful Seventh-day Adventists, for it is during the enforcement of the Sunday law in the
United States and around the world that every single Seventh-day Adventist will face their great test.

When the United Nations loses its ruling power, every country under their power will have been
forced to enact and enforce the Sunday law, and every Seventh-day Adventist around the world will
have faced their final great test. Those who remain faithful to God’s law will be sealed, and those who
disobey God’s law, honor the false sabbath and desecrate the true Sabbath will receive the mark of the
beast. When every Seventh-day Adventist has made their decision and been tested regarding who they
will honor and worship, probation for Seventh-day Adventists will end, and those who receive the mark
of the beast will fill up the measure of their guilt. They are the “transgressors” who will “come to the
full” when the United Nations is at the end of their rule.

Daniel 9:24 refers to the phrase, “transgressors come to the full”, as “finish the transgression”.
It shows that at the end of the “seventy weeks”, disobedient Seventh-day Adventists will fill up the
measure of their guilt and their probation will close. Daniel 8:23 shows that this will occur when the
United Nations loses it power.

Summary of Verse 24 - Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city (A
period of probationary time is reserved specifically for individual Seventh-day Adventists and
the Seventh-day Adventist Church to revive and restore the truth of God’s law in their lives), to
finish the transgression (when probationary time ends, those who reject God’s law will fill up
the measure of their guilt, which will be demonstrated in their unrighteous characters at the
Sunday law under the dictatorship of the United States and then the United Nations), and to
make an end of sins (faithful Seventh-day Adventists will stop sinning by the grace of God as
they study the prophecies, and will demonstrate Christ’s righteous characters during the Sunday
law under the dictatorship of the United States and then the United Nations), and to make
reconciliation for iniquity (when faithful Seventh-day Adventists obey God’s law in its entirety,
they will work harmoniously with Him in representing His character embodied in His law, and be
fully reconciled to God at the end of the dictatorship of the United States and then the United
Nations), and to bring in everlasting righteousness (faithful Seventh-day Adventists who undergo
the process of sanctification will be sealed at the end of the dictatorship of the United States
and then the United Nations), and to seal up the vision (at the end of the United Nations’ rule,
the papacy will rule the world, the last earthly power of the “chazown”, the vision of the
progression of earthly powers ) and prophecy (the “seventy weeks” prophecy will end when
the papacy is placed on the seat of world power), and to anoint the most Holy (sealed Seventh-
day Adventists will make up the Church Triumphant and will be consecrated to take the final
message of the third angel with a loud cry to the entire world when the papacy is on the seat of world power).

Verse 10 - And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.  
Verse 11 - Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of the sanctuary was cast down.  
Verse 12 - And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.  
Verse 24 - And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.  
Verse 25 - And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.

The papacy's exhibitions of self-exaltation and satanic cruelty are expressed in Daniel 8:10-12 and 24, 25. Verse 10 states that the papacy will progressively exalt itself over all of God’s faithful people (“waxed great, even to the host of heaven”) when it is in world power. This verse, along with verse 24 (“cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them”, “shall destroy the mighty and the holy people”), describes the papacy's arrogance and persecution of the 144,000 (“stars”, “holy people”) and the eleventh-hour workers (“host”, “mighty people”). “Stars” and “holy people” mean “prince”, “saint”, or “sanctuary” (Strong). They are the sealed and living Seventh-day Adventists when the papacy will be on the seat of world power. They will be the 144,000 who give the loud cry of the third angel to the world. “Host” and “mighty people” mean a large group or numerous people (Strong). They represent the eleventh-hour workers who will join with the 144,000 when the papacy is on the seat of world power.

But I speak not my own words when I say that God's Spirit will pass by those who have had their day of test and opportunity, but who have not distinguished the voice of God or appreciated the movings of His Spirit. Then thousands in the eleventh hour will see and acknowledge the truth (2SM 16).
Verses 10 and 24’s descriptions of the papacy as “casting down and stamping upon” and “destroying” God’s faithful people express the anger, severity, and cruelty of the papacy in persecuting them for calling out the papacy’s falsehood and for standing firm for God’s truth.

The Leader of the 144,000 and the eleventh-hour workers will be Jesus. He is the “Prince of the host” against whom the papacy will exalt itself, will attempt to usurp His position, and will desecrate God’s true Sabbath and force observance of its false Sunday sabbath around the world. The papacy will succeed in doing this by first influencing political leaders to regard as reverent its false Sunday sabbath and enforce its observance upon its citizens. The first country that the papacy will influence is the United States, and once this country follows the policies of the papacy, the whole world will follow and will be in the papacy’s hands. That is why Daniel 8:11 brings out the understanding that it is due to the papacy’s influence that the United States will be the first country to enact and enforce the Sunday law (“and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of the sanctuary was cast down”).

The Adventist pioneer understanding of the “daily” is that it represents pagan Rome. For present truth, the ancient political empires (Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, pagan Rome) represent the United States. Daniel 8:11 states that the papacy “takes away”, or removes, the United States and its Constitutional principles. The papacy accomplishes this by influencing the 46th president to adopt the papal policy of combining church and state and disregarding their constitutional principle of religious liberty. The phrase, “take away”, means:

H7311, rûwm, room; a primitive root; to be high actively, to rise or raise (in various applications, literally or figuratively):—bring up, exalt (self), extol, give, go up, haughty, heave (up), (be, lift up on, make on, set up on, too) high(-er, one), hold up, levy, lift(-er) up, (be) lofty, (x a-) loud, mount up, offer (up), presumptuously, (be) promote(-ion), proud, set up, tall(-er), take (away, off, up), breed worms (Strong).

Basically, the papacy will “take away”, or remove, the United States as an opponent to its goal of combining church and state by influencing the 46th president to adopt its policies and “exalt” himself as a political and religious dictator. When the 46th president does this, the Sunday law will then be enacted
and enforced. This is expressed in the phrase, “the place of the sanctuary was cast down”. The
“sanctuary” in verse 11 represents the United States Constitution, for it is the standard by which the
country functions as a democratic nation. The Hebrew word for “sanctuary” in this verse can either
mean a sacred or secular sanctuary.

H4720, miqdâsh, mik-dawsh'; or מִקְּדָּשׁ miqqᵉ-dâsh; (Exodus 15:17), from H6942; a consecrated
thing or place, especially, a palace, sanctuary (whether of Jehovah or of idols) or asylum:—
chapel, hallowed part, holy place, sanctuary.

The Constitution embodies God’s principle of civil and religious liberty. The “place of the
sanctuary” represents the seat of the United States government within its separate branches of
legislative, judicial, and executive governing bodies that abide by the principles of the Constitution in
separating church and state. When the government is “cast down”, or plucked up or destroyed, it is
because it no longer functions within the confines of the Constitution in placing checks and balances
upon each branch of the government and ensuring freedom of personal religion. The enactment and
enforcement of the Sunday law is the evidence of the “place of the sanctuary” being “cast down”. Verse
11 shows that it is due to the papacy that the United States will follow papal policies to enact and
enforce the Sunday law.

Not only will the United States copy the papacy’s policies by enacting and enforcing the Sunday
law in its own country (thereby destroying itself), when the papacy is given the seat of world power, the
United States will act as the enforcer of this false papal sabbath around the world. Just as pagan Rome
was the army to enforce papal Rome’s dogmas, the United States will be the primary military power for
the papacy in enforcing the Sunday law around the world and will be the force that inflicts persecution
upon God’s faithful people when the papacy is on the seat of world power (verse 12, “And an host was
given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression”; verse 25, “And his power shall be
mighty, but not by his own power”).
The wicked who follow the papacy will be lured and bribed by monetary and worldly security (verse 25, “by peace shall destroy many”). The papacy will place itself in the seat of God and demand universal worship (verse 11, “he magnified himself even to the prince of the host”; verse 25, “stand up against the Prince of princes”), but will ultimately be destroyed by God’s wrath (verse 25, “shall be broken without hand”).

This progression of the papacy’s self-exaltation and persecution of God’s faithful people outlined in Daniel 8:10-12 and 24, 25 is also described in Daniel 11:41-45. The papacy will first cunningly influence the United States to destroy its own Constitution and copy papal policies (Daniel 11:41, “He shall enter also into the glorious land”). Through this act, the United States will destroy itself as a democratic nation. Eventually, when the papacy is given the seat of world power by the United Nations, it will control the finances of the world and continue to bribe the people to obey its false dictates (Daniel 11:43, “But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt”). The papacy will then increase with extreme severity its persecution upon sealed Seventh-day Adventists and the eleventh-hour workers (Daniel 11:44, “therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many”). The papacy will then exalt itself supremely as though it is God sitting in His temple and demand worship (Daniel 11:45, “And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain”). But despite its self-exaltation, the papacy will be destroyed by God’s power (Daniel 11:45, “yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him”).

**Daniel 8:10-12 and 24, 25 Compared with Daniel 11:40-45**

Papacy increases its political position by influencing the United States to enact and enforce the Sunday law:

Daniel 8:10 - And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven ...
Daniel 8:11 - Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily sacrifice was taken away, and the place of the sanctuary was cast down.
Daniel 11:41 - He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown

Papacy progresses in its worldwide position and influences the United Nations to enforce the Sunday law throughout the world, then uses its financial power to take over control of the world:
Daniel 8:25 - And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many ...
Daniel 11:42 - He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.
Daniel 11:43 - But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps.

Papacy uses the United States as its police force to enforce its dogmas and to persecute God's faithful people:

Daniel 8:10 - ... and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.
Daniel 8:12 - And an host was given him against the daily sacrifice by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered.
Daniel 8:24 - And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.
Daniel 11:44 - But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.

Papacy sets itself up as a god and forces the world to worship it, but it will be destroyed:

Daniel 8:25 - ... he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.
Daniel 11:45 - And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.
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