



This prophecy concerns the expansion of the Greek Empire and the extreme suffering the Jews would face under the eventual reign of Antiochus IV Epiphanes.

One little horn (echo of 7:8) rises with particular consequence for God's people: Antiochus IV Epiphanes

This little horn is characterized by immense ego that threw truth to the ground (12) for personal aggrandizement.

He will rise up against God Himself, but shall be broken – but by no human hand! (25b)

Why was this important for the Jews in Daniel's time?

1. The Jews would never again have a kingdom of their own. No more kings.
2. Their hope must remain focused on the King whose arrival and power is by no human hand (ch2), the Son of Man (ch7).

Set your hearts and hope upon God's King alone.

Why is it important for us today?

1. Jesus told His disciples in John 15:18 that they would be hated.
2. The Son of Man alone reigns.

How does this apply to me?

For next week: Read Daniel 9:1-23

Why do you think Daniel included himself in the sins of the nation?
Do you pray for your church, like Daniel prayed for his people?



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