

Great Swamp Baptíst Church September 19, 2021

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Sunday Morning Worship

10:30 AM

The Welcome **Announcements** Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr. **Call To Worship** Hymn # 213 "We Will Glorify" **Invocation** Bjo Mills **Selections of Praise & Worship** "We Believe" "You Are My King" We Pray for Special Needs Pastoral and Offertory Prayer Worship by Giving Offertory Special Mended "He's Alive" Message Pastor Ralph Lee, Jr. **Invitation Benediction Prayer**

Nursery Workers

Today: Vanessa Smoak

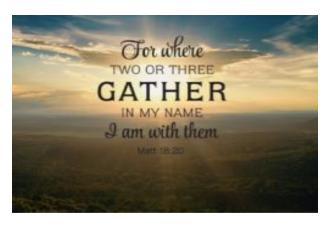
Helpers Needed; See Vanessa



Sunday Mornings
Following
The Song Service

Children's Church

Today: Olivia Stanley/Mason Losgar/Lily Smith



Tuesday Mornings @ 9:00am

DEACON OF THE WEEK:

Today:

Bjo Mills: 843-271-2840

Next Week:

Mack Pope: 843-540-6636



From Fastor Ralph's Desk:



A Prophetic View of Daniel 3

(Rev. 13-14:3)

Intro: We've examined two themes in Daniel Chapter three. First, we examined the stand which the three Hebrew men took. Next, we examined the rescuing and saving power of God, with these two themes I had planned on finishing working with this chapter.

However, as we started the Book of Daniel, I pointed out that in the Old Testament, the Book of Daniel is like the Book of Revelation in the New Testament. It is a book filled with prophesies concerning the future. Therefore, as we go through each chapter, we need to consider whether or not if it contains any prophetic messages.

Now I personally didn't see the prophetic message but it turns out that many bible scholars did and do. As I examined their point of view, I too, could see it as well.

Their point of view is that Daniel Chapter three correlates with Revelation Chapter thirteen. Now the correlation is not in every detail, however, the general message and concept are basically the same thing.

So, today, we are going to examine what I am simply calling A Prophetic view of Daniel 3. Again, we are not getting into all of the details but the general likeness and because we have examined Daniel 3 for two weeks already, we are not going to be reading from that chapter today for we know its' contents. Rather, we are going to read from Revelation 13 and 14 and correlate together with what we already know about Daniel 3.

I. First, a prophetic view of Daniel three reveals that King Nebuchadnezzar is a type or symbolic representation of the Antichrist of Revelation 13.

The symbolic representation is found in several likenesses.

First, King Nebuchadnezzar is a Gentile and the beast in Revelation 13 is the Antichrist who will rule the world in the tribulation period. We know that he will be a Gentile and not Jewish because in Daniel 2 and 7 we discover that the ruling kingdoms over the earth mentioned were all Gentile nations.

The second likeness was that King Nebuchadnezzar, like the antichrist, had great earthly power and dominion. He ruled over what was then known as the Known World. So the Antichrist, too, will rule over the entire earth.

The third way they symbolize one another is by the fact that they rule as dictators forcing men and women to do exactly as they say. Individual freedom is thrown out the door. So, they both share much of the same traits. As we look at more points, we will see this to be even more so.

II. Second, a prophetic view of Daniel 3 shows that King Nebuchadnezzar like the Antichrist sets up a false and ungodly religion which they force upon their people.

Both men set up an image to be worshipped. We don't know what the images looked like. However, we do know that the Antichrist gets an image that is erected to honor him and people will worship the image to honor the Antichrist. Therefore, I believe that the image looked like the Antichrist. I also believe that King Nebuchadnezzar's image looked like him as well.

However, whatever the images looked like all the people in these kingdoms were to bow down and worship these images. So, both men with their religions and their images were forcing the people of the world to turn against Almighty God and either accept and acknowledge that their images or whomever the images represent were God or greater than God.

Now, the Antichrist will be even stranger in his push to deny God and Christ with his religion. For his creeds go our of the way to curse and blaspheme the Holy name of God. As a matter of fact, ultimately he will declare himself to be God, and when he does then God Almighty will pour out His wrath like never before.

III. Third, a prophetic view of Daniel 3 involves the number that Revelation 13 uses to refer to the mark of the beast.

Now, there is not a person listening to me who doesn't know what that number is. The is mentioned in the last verse of Revelation 13. of course, that number is 666.

Now, I know that in Daniel 3 you don't read the number exactly as it is found in Revelation. However, it is close. For the image that King Nebuchadnezzar had built was 60 cubits high and 6 cubits wide. So, the main number in the building of this image is 6.

Now, 6 in the Bible has always been a number that represents imperfection because it is shy of the perfect number 7. John tells us that the number 666 is the number of man. (Rev. 13:18). Thus, man falls short of God's Glory, perfection and of God's great Holiness.

So, the image of King Nebuchadnezzar and the image of the beast are imperfect because the men who made them are imperfect. Though for just a short period of time, the time of the tribulation, men will have to receive the number somehow in them to be able to buy, sell, go anywhere and etc...

However, that number will be demolished and erased, when the perfect Son of God, whom the number 7 represents, returns and crushes that which is imperfect and sets up His glorious millennial reign here on earth.

So, if you want to be a part of God's glorious, perfect kingdom and reign forever with Christ our perfect Eternal King then acknowledge your imperfection and turn to the One who alone is perfect with full faith and He will save you.

IV. Fourth, a prophetic view of Daniel 3 reveals that King Nebuchadnezzar's persecution against the three Hebrew men is symbolic of the beast of Revelation 13 was against the saints.

Because the three Hebrew men referred to bow down to the image and false religion set up by King Nebuchadnezzar he became extremely angry at them to the point that he had them fiery furnace heated up seven times hotter than it was and then had them cast into this extremely hot fire.

In Revelation 13 the beast and his false prophet will set up their world-wide religion and an image that represents the beast, or if you will the Anti-christ, and all the earth or every human being is expected to accept their religion and bow down to the image which represents the beast.

However, not everyone will do that. Jesus said that the ones whose names have been written in the Lamb's Book of Life which belongs to the Lamb, Jesus Christ, slain from the creation of the world will refuse to obey the edicts of the Antichrist.

Therefore, we are told here that he will then make war against the saints—God's people. Particularly, he is going to rain havoc on the Jews who become Believers of Christ. So, just as King Nebuchadnezzar persecuted the three Hebrew men so the Antichrist will focus on persecuting and destroying the Hebrew saints in his time. According to Revelation many of the saints will be martyred.

However, praise God the Antichrist of Satan's control will not be able to finish off all of God's people because God will protect a remnant of the nation of Israel and bring them through the fiery furnace, so to speak, as He brought the three Hebrew men through the fire.

In Revelation 7, God selects 144,000 of the Jewish people whom he sets a seal upon their foreheads. This seal of God will protect these servants of His whom He has chosen and protects them all the way through the great Tribulation. For we find in Revelation 14 that this 144,000 stands with Jesus on Mount Zion. They have made it through the fire.

Concl. So, we see that there is clearly a correlation between these two chapters in the Bible. God was already painting a picture all the way back in Daniel's time of what the end-times are going to be like. So, we need to ask ourselves, why? I believe it is because God is giving us plenty of warning to be prepared. I also believe He is doing this to also show His love, care, and protection that He has and will provide for His people.

The good news for His people today is that god will lose none of His people. No matter how many fires they go through or how many Antichrists come against them, they will always win. Are you one of them?

Jesus Loves You

Ralph Lee, Jr.

Sunday School Classes

@

9:15am

CAMO CLASS Room 406 Leader-Bobby Smith

GLEANERS CLASS Room 401 Leader-Audrey Roberts

VISIONARIES CLASS Building 3, Old Social Hall Leader-

SOJOURNERS CLASS Room 417 Leader-Mack Pope

YOUTH Youth Annex Leader-Faye Lowther

Wednesday Night Services @ 7pm

YOUTH GROUP Youth Annex

Leader-Michelle Waitt

R.A.'S (Royal Ambassadors) Room 417 Leader-Pat Mason

G.A.'s (GIRLS IN ACTION) Room 415 Leader-Carol Davis/Diane Thames



SFCA After School Helper

Needed ASAP

2-6pm Monday thru Friday See Donna Carter

Stewardship

Tithes	This Week	Weekly Budget	Surplus/Deficit + / -
	\$ 4,709.00	\$ 4,982.47	- \$ 173.47
Online Offerings	\$ 100.00		
Designated Funds	This Week	********	Acct. Balances
Senior Trip	\$ 329.00	********	\$ 3,109.26
Sunday Morning Breakfast	\$ 123.00	********	\$ 181.42
Wednesday Night Supper	\$ 168.00	********	\$ 227.02
Kitchen Supplies	\$ 11.00	********	\$ 11.00



It is that time of the year again. Time to start collecting for Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes. There are three ways to give.

- 1—Angel Tree: on the back wall is the Angel tree. Take an angel and on the back are items we need. Bring the angel back with your donation.
- 2—There will be a list in the bulletin weekly
- 3—Monetary Donations

There will be a box for you to place your items in. Any questions, please see Bernice Malphrus or Dorthie Armstrong.

Items Still Needed for September

Washcloths
Soap
Comb & Brushes for Girls
Combs for Boys

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Additional Help Needed

For Wednesday Night's GA's & RA's

We would like to expand to include Mission Friends. Youth or adults are encouraged to inquire. See Kim Malphrus or Diane Thames.

GSBC Prayer Page

Church Needs

Ralph Lee, Jr. - Pastor Richard Waitt- Music Director Deacons

Leadership

President of the United States of America Vice President of the Untied States of America

Hospitals

Ernest Blount Donna Roberts Jennifer Pitts Kev David Sauls

Surgery / Recovery

Skylar Saygen Michelle Rooks Judy Rogers Diane Hannah Louise McAlhaney

Nursing Centers

Elaine Degler-RNC Wilma Jean McGill-RNC Bobby Mohn-Indigo Pines HHI Byron Vaigneur-Assist. Grace Boyles-RNC

Please Continue To Remember

Homebound

Shirley Malphrus Dot Nettles Rose Boyles Tom Hinely Judy Smith Scott Boyles Vera Floyd Ann Blocker Barbara Mills Kenneth & Doby Cleland Gary Way Redden & Gloria Tuten Kenny Smith Lucille & Ron Degler Carol Bradham Red & Helen Malphrus

Ministries Sunday School

SFCA-Donna Carter Child Development Ministries

Unspoken

Jessica Cleland Steve Crosby Heather Betz Randy Bethune Jason Holt

Cancer / Treatments

Douglas Denegel Becky Goretzka Gail Sims Skip Brooks Cynthia Williams Regina Bouye Kaiaya Alston Wesley Ethridge Angela Proctor Jay Dalton Reggie Malphrus Raj's Mother

Outreach Ministry In reach Ministry

Bereavement

Family of

Other Health Needs Jane Gorman

Andrew Miller Lloyd Way Loony Jones (Jeffrey Stanley's Grandfather) Tracey Lake Annette Mole Keith Gamo Telie Ethridge Pinky Rushing Phyllis Sutler Sara Davis **Bob Cramer** Shelby Green Karen Phillipi Bertha Kinard Ron & Marie Malphrus Mel Toland Kenny Hay Lee Martin Alexus Busby Natalyn Mann Max & Nicole Cole Lynn Glasser Mary Kay Paul Sims

David Raines

Pray For Our Military

Sgt. Jared Blanton-Deployed Matthew Mills-US Marines Jericho Malphrus-Sp. Agent / Air Force Washington, D.C. Michael Sottile - Deployed Tristan Blanton-San Diego/SWCC

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Sunday	19th	Eríc Chapman
Tuesday	21st	Katíe Ford
		Nathaníel Smoak
Wednesday	22nd	Alayna Schrader
Thursday	23rd	Sophie O'Connor
Friday	24th	Ron Davís



Friday	24th	Franklin & Sherri Fryman



Sunday School 9:15AM
Morning Worship 10:30AM
Wednesday Night Service 7:00PM

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