

Rise and Fall of Nations

A Pattern of Eschatology

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- **When studying eschatology, there is a thematic and/or historical pattern to the rise and fall of the nations we should be aware of.**
- **This pattern parallels the rise and fall of the earthly kingdom that belonged to God's people.**

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- This pattern also parallel's the empires of Daniel and subsequent history; it is also similar to that of what is seen in Revelation.
- Keeping this pattern in mind will enlighten our understanding of the future and keep us from being led astray by false doctrine.

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- In this presentation we will be looking at a pattern that spans 3 categories of time in order to see the big picture of eschatology:
 - Kingdom of God
 - Daniel and World History
 - Revelation and the Future

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- What is interesting about these three time periods is that they are first **linear in time**.
- The Kingdom of God →
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- But, they also parallel each other.
- The pattern of one, is the same pattern of the others.
- Please bear that in mind as you view this presentation.

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| Abraham | Judges | Babylon | Iraq |
| Isaac | Saul- Ishbosheth | Medo-Persia | Iran |
| Jacob | David → Solomon | Greece Alexander the Great → 4 generals | Middle East countries |

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| Divided Kingdom: North: Ephraim (Israel) South: Judah | Divided Kingdom: North: Assyria (Seleucids) South: Egypt (Ptolemies) | Divided Kingdom: West: Harlot Babylon the Great East: Beast of Revelation |

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| <p>Jehoshaphat, son of Asa reigned in Judah after his father's death (1 Kings 15:24).</p> <p>Ahab began to reign in Israel while Asa was still reigning in Judah (1 Kings 16:29).</p> | <p>Rome reigned;</p> <p>Messiah's Kingdom was established</p> | <p>The Harlot, Babylon the Great (from the West; has 10 horns; Daniel 7:19-20) will ride the 10 horned Scarlet Beast (from the East = Seleucid; Revelation 17:11, Daniel 8:21-25)</p> |

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| God made sure Elijah survived Jezebel's persecution (1 Kings 19:14). | Many Jewish believers survived persecutions but not all were protected from martyrdom. | Believers in Yeshua will continue to be persecuted but not all will be protected from martyrdom. |

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| <p>Elijah was commanded to anoint Hazael as king over Syria,</p> <p>Jehu the son of Nimshi as king over Israel,</p> <p>and Elisha as prophet in his place (1 Kings 19:15-17).</p> | <p>Kingdom of Rome Divided:</p> <p>East: Byzantine → Arab Caliphate</p> <p>West: Rome → Germanic Tribes</p> | <p>Scarlet Beast will throw down 3 horns of the Harlot Babylon the Great and join with 10 other kings (possibly a revived Islamic Caliphate from the east) for 1 hour. (Rev. 17:16-18)</p> |

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| Elisha was supposed to kill those who escaped the sword of Jehu (1 Kings 19:17). | Crusaders from Western Rome briefly ruled over the East in Palestine in the midst of the Arabs. | Messiah will defeat Scarlet Beast & 10 kings (revived Islamic Caliphate). |

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| Remnant of 7000 had not bowed to or kissed Baal (1 Kings 19:18). | Many believers in Yeshua survived persecution and were spread throughout the world. | 144,000 who were sealed will be protected from God's wrath. The first resurrection will take place. Messiah will begin His 1000 year reign. |

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| Ben-Hadad, king of Syria, his forces, and 32 other kings made war against Samaria (1 Kings 20). | Adolf Hitler arose among the Germanic Tribes in the West and caused a massive Holocaust. | Satan, who will be imprisoned in the abyss for 1000 years, will be released and arise to gather Gog's armies for war against God's people (Rev. 20:2, 7-10). |

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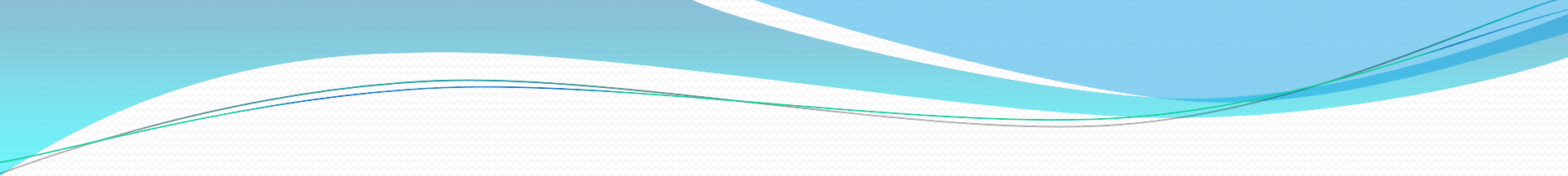
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| <p>A prophet told Ahab the Syrians would come back in a year (1 Kings 20:22).</p> | <p>Hitler had a relationship with Hassan al-Banna and mufti Haj Amin al-Husseini; Egyptian Muslim Brotherhood...which has given rise to Islamic terrorism today.</p> <p>They intend to finish the job Hitler started.</p> | <p>John prophesied the coming of Gog's armies to Jerusalem at the end of the millennium (Rev. 20:9).</p> |

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| <p>The Syrians were defeated but Ben-Hadad escaped; Ahab let him go.</p> <p>Ahab was condemned and later died in battle. His blood was licked up by dogs (1 Kings 20:1-22:40)</p> | <p>Germany was defeated. It has been said that Hitler committed suicide although evidence suggests he lived in Argentina after the war.</p> <p>Some of Hitler's men were convicted and punished for war crimes.</p> | <p>Israel's enemies will be defeated. They will be eaten by birds of prey and wild animals (Ezek. 39:4; Rev. 19:21).</p> <p>The beast, false prophet, Satan, and unrighteous will be cast into the lake of fire (Rev. 19:20; 20:10, 15).</p> |

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| Jehoshaphat made peace with the king of Israel and banished the wicked from the land (1 Kings 22:44-47). | Many Jews returned to Israel; Israel became recognized as a nation in 1948. | The righteous will enter the New Jerusalem when the new heaven and earth come down. |



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