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Don't miss our live online Tsiyon Meeting at Tsiyon.Net tonight, featuring:

A large graphic designed to look like a warning sign. At the top, the word 'CAUTION!' is written in large, bold, yellow, distressed letters. Below this is a black horizontal band with yellow diagonal stripes. The main body of the sign has a grey, metallic texture. On the left side of this body is a red hexagonal button with a silver border and the word 'LAUNCH' in white. To the right of the button, the words 'TRIBULATION TRIGGER' are written in large, bold, yellow, distressed letters, followed by 'DANIEL 10:1 - 12:1' in a smaller, bold, yellow, distressed font. Below that, 'TSIYON.NET' is written in a smaller, grey, sans-serif font. At the bottom of the sign is another black horizontal band with yellow diagonal stripes, and below that, the text 'THIS EVENT WILL LAUNCH THE GREAT TRIBULATION' is written in large, bold, yellow, distressed letters.

From Eliyahu

Consider this:

With the world getting so crazy and dangerous, people of faith are wondering about the Great Tribulation. They wonder: Is this it? Could it have started already? If not, how will I know when it has started? This uncertainty is a source of anxiety for a lot of people these days. This need not be so. The Scriptures pinpoint an unmistakable event that will trigger the Great Tribulation. That event has not happened yet, but it is getting closer, and likely will happen this decade. If

you know what to look for, when you see it you will know with certainty that the Great Tribulation has started.

The event that triggers the Great Tribulation is included in the prophecy of Daniel chapters 10 - 12. This event should be easy to identify. Chapter 11 details events having to do with a rivalry between the "King of the North" and the "King of the South." The Tribulation Trigger has to do with these two powers. The problem is that these two kings have been a particularly frequent source of confusion and arguments among Bible scholars, teachers and writers.

For example, Albert Barnes, commenting on "the king of the North" of Daniel 11:36 says; *"This refers, it seems to me, beyond question, to Antiochus Epiphanes."*

Of the same king of the North in the same verse, John Gill comments: *"Not Antiochus..."*

Meanwhile, *Believer's Bible Commentary* calls this same king *"The Antichrist."*

JFB Commentary combines those views, saying, *"the willful king here, though primarily Antiochus, is antitypically and mainly Antichrist."*

Back in the 60s Christian teachers and writers, due to cold-war hostilities, began making a new case, for Russia and the United States fulfilling the "King of the North" and "King of the South" roles. Hal Lindsey's *The Late Great Planet Earth* popularized this view, and it became pretty standard in Evangelical circles. Prophecy interpretation makes for strange bed-fellows, as even the Jehovah's Witnesses adopted this view, which they still hold. For example, on their website, JW.Org, they state: *"Russia and its allies emerged as the king of the north .. competing with the king of the south, the Anglo-American World Power."* One wonders how groups so different as Evangelical Christians and Jehovah's Witnesses could arrive at and agree on essentially the same interpretation, an interpretation so obviously wrong.



This could happen because both groups, though different, share a similar bias. Each thinks they are at the center of Bible prophecy, even here in Daniel, even though *Israel* is clearly stated as being at the center throughout the prophecies of Daniel. Disregarding Israel, they interpret the prophecies in a way that seems most relevant to their own group - so doing, they end up being proven wrong in their interpretations. This is unfortunate, because these misinterpretations become common knowledge, and when such errors eventually fail (and fail they must) onlookers blame the Bible, not the groups that popularized the failed interpretations. Yet, the Bible is not wrong - ever - even though it is frequently misinterpreted and misrepresented.

In Daniel 11 Israel is at the center. Once you accept that, and then look at the true narrative of the text, all can become clear. This is very important for us today, because the angel who revealed the prophecy to Daniel told Daniel why he had come with the prophecy: *"Now I have come to make you understand what shall happen to your people in the last days"* Dan 10:14.

Yes, this prophecy is for the last days, which are ongoing right now. In fact, this prophecy tells us what to look for that will trigger the Great Tribulation. So doing, it also holds out a way of escape for the righteous. Having this knowledge in advance is priceless. This is such an encouraging message!

As we look at this prophecy of Daniel tonight from the standpoint of Daniel's people, Israel, in the Last Days, you can judge this simple and contextually literal explanation for yourself. Join me tonight at Tsiyon.Net at 8:00 PM CST at our live online Tsiyon meeting. You don't want to miss this encouraging truth.

Blessings and good health to you!

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PS - Also, join us for the following Fast Track presentation next week!



Remember this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly. He who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. 2 Corinthians 9:6



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