

Knowing God in Troubled Times

Daniel 11: 1-35

Introduction: Jeremiah 9.23-24; John 16.33

We will know _____. Do we know _____?

Historical Overview (Daniel 11.2 – 35) 530 BC – 167 BC

4 more Persian kings: Cambyses, Pseudo-Smerdis, Darius I, **Xerxes** (Ahasuerus – Esther 1-2)

After Alexander the Great, Ptolemaic Kings (Egypt/South) vs. **Seleucid Kings** (Syria/North)

South: Ptolemy II - V Philadelphus, (**Berenice**), Euergetes, Philopator, Epiphanes

North: Antiochus II Theos, Seleucus II Callinicus, **Cleopatra, Antiochus IV Epiphanes**

Ships of Kittim: Roman Fleet

The Great Contrast (11.32): Those who _____ vs. Those who _____.

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Those who give in have _____.

Those who give in are open to _____
(flattery = smooth, slippery, deceptive).

Those who stand firm _____. (Acts 20.29-30; Galatians 2.4; 1 John 2.19)

Those who stand firm _____. (James 1.19-25) NOTICE THE ORDER!

Action Taken:

Purge evil. (Maccabean Revolt – Judas Maccabeus)

Teach others. (11.33; Matthew 28.20)

Face suffering. (11.33-35; John 15.18-25)

Be sanctified. (11.35)

Question of application: We will know trouble. Do we know God?

(John 17.3; Philippians 3.8-11; Matthew 7.21-23)