

Sunday (PM) 3/22/2009

The Last Willful King

Daniel 11:36-45

Review:

There have been many kings throughout human history that have acted willfully against God. God always triumphs over their earthly rebellion and His kingdom is the only kingdom that still remains. The Antichrist will be the final monarch in human history that sets up his throne against King Jesus. While his power and influence will be great, the Bible makes it clear that King Jesus will win!

Outline Review:

- I. Exaltation of himself over all gods, false and true. (vs 36-37)
- II. Devoted to military conquest (vs 38-40)
- III. Seizure of the Holy Land (vs 41-45)
- IV. Helpless when his time is up (vs 45)

Application:

1. Who are some earthly rulers who have set up their kingdoms against God? Are these men still ruling today? What happened to these men?
2. Who is one ruler (think book of Daniel) who exalted himself over all gods, and devoted himself to military conquest? How did God deal with him? How did he respond to God's dealing with him?
3. How do we often exalt ourselves over God? How do we seek to establish our own "kingdoms?" How does God deal with us?
4. Do you ever get scared when thinking about "end times" events? Why? What kind of hope and encouragement does God give us? How does the end of vs 45 give us great hope?