

# The Empire At The Crossroads

## STUDY GUIDE NO. 10

- Daniel 8:20, 21** Daniel is given another vision; this time of a ram and goat. The ram represents Medo-Persia and the goat Greece. The goat defeats the ram in battle.
- Daniel 8:8, 22** Greece would be divided into four parts after Alexander the Great dies.
- Daniel 8:9-13, 25** Another little horn appears on the scene representing Rome in its two phases – pagan and papal.
- Daniel 8:13, 14** How long would God's people and truth be cast to the ground? Unto 2,300 days then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.
- Ezekiel 4:6** The 2,300 days represents 2,300 years (see also Num. 14:34).
- Daniel 8:27; 9:22, 23** Daniel didn't understand the time prophecy portion of the vision. Some time later, the angel Gabriel came back to help him understand.
- Daniel 9:24** The 70 week prophecy (490 years) is "cut off" from the larger 2,300 year prophecy of Daniel 8:14.
- Daniel 9:25** The starting date for this 490 year prophecy is 457 B.C. (see Ezra 7:7, 13). The Messiah would arrive after 69 weeks, or 483 years on the date A.D. 27.
- Luke 3:1, 21, 22** Jesus was baptized, or anointed (Acts 10:38) by the Holy Spirit (anointed one = Messiah/Christ) on the 15<sup>th</sup> year of the reign of Tiberius Caesar (A.D. 27).
- Mark 1:15** When Jesus started His public ministry He declared that the "time is fulfilled," referring to the great prophecy of Daniel 9.
- Daniel 9:26, 27** In the middle of the final week (7 years) of the 70 week prophecy Messiah would be cut off, but not for Himself. He would cause the sacrifices to come to an end.
- Genesis 12:1-3** God called Abraham out of Ur to be the father of His people. They would receive land, become a great nation, and live to bless people of planet earth. They would bless the earth by sharing the Messiah and by portraying through a living visual aid the plan of salvation.
- John 8:56** Jesus said that Abraham saw His day Abraham was told to offer up his son Isaac and a substitute was provided (see Genesis 22:8).
- John 1:29** The sacrificial lamb that was offered up daily in the sanctuary pointed forward to the death of Jesus.
- Hebrews 8:1, 2** The priest that daily served in the sanctuary pointed forward to the time when Jesus would become our High Priest in heavens sanctuary.
- Hebrews 4:14, 16** Because Jesus is our heavenly priest we can come to Him when we need mercy and grace.