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- 1. Written in the book 7x in NT: Phil. 4;3, Rev. 3:5; 17:8; 20:12; 20:15; 21:27
- 2. Destiny...it will happen...Point: cannot defend gospel by force. You need endurance and perseverance to be a Christian not force and strength.

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- 1. Israel warned about following signs and miracles that did not have Truth, Righteousness and the Character of God. (of course, if Israel rejected Truth, then they would have no basis to correctly evaluate)
 - a. Deut13:1-5
 - b. Jeremiah 23:16, 21-22, 25-32; 27:14-16; 29:8-9
- 2. NT warned of false prophets and teachers:
 - a. Matthew 7:15 wolves in sheep's clothing
 - b. 2 Peter2:1 "there will also be false teachers among you"
 - c. 1 John 4:1 "Do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits."
 - d. Matthew 24:11 Many false prophets will arise and mislead many
 - e. Mark 13:22 False Christs and false prophets will appear and perform signs
- 3. Anti-Christ is a political and military leader who calls himself god.
- 4. The False Prophet is the high priest who confirms the AC's claim to deity.
- 5. 1900's secular and atheistic but the days of the AC will be highly spiritual and religious.
- 6. At the beginning of the second half of the 70th week the AC will destroy all other forms of religion and the False Prophet will be in control of men's religious expression.
- 7. AC's claim to be God: Dan. 9:27; 11:31; Matt. 24:15; 2 Thess. 2:3-4
- 8. AC's rejection of all other religions: Rev. 14:9; 14:11; 5:2; 16:2; 19:20; 20:4
- 9. Men will have rejected Truth and so will believe the sign 2 Thes. 2:10
- 10. "another" is "allos" meaning "another of the same kind."
- 11. "beast" is a wild animal, beast or monster
- 12. "Up out of the earth" means:
 - a. ?? from the "land" of Israel...or, a Jew?
 - b. ?? from "out of the earth" ...as in the underworld, or a demon from the Abyss?
 - c. ?? Daniel referred to four beast which where Kings/Empires...is this a second empire joining the first beast and his empire?
 - d. ?? a non-human being...not the FP is thrown alive into the Lake of Fire before judgment in Rev. 19:20
- 13. The AC is a leopard, bear and lion coming to make war
- 14. The FP is a lamb, and comes by speech about peace, tolerance but it is deception.
- 15. The FP plans on uniting the feet of iron and clay with:

- a. Over selling tolerance, cooperation and labeling those in the Truth as divisive, etc.
- b. Economic boycott
- c. Threat of death for not worshipping the AC
- 13:12 AC delegates his authority to the FP
- 13:13 Fulfills the warning of:
 - 1. Deut 13:1
 - 2. John 5:43 (accepting one who comes in his own name after rejecting Jesus)
 - 3. 2 Thess 2:9

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- 1. Rejection of Truth results in the wholesale acceptance of the deception
- 2. Image is set up
 - a. on the temple grounds 2 Thes. 2:4
 - b. on a wing of the temple Daniel 9:27
 - c. Daniel 11:31
 - d. Daniel 12:11
 - e. Matthew 24:15

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- 1. "breath" is "pnema" meaning "spirit, wind or breath."
- 2. "breath" is NOT the word "zoe" or "bios" used in the Greek for "Life
- 3. "mark" is from "charasso" meaning "I engrave" and was used to refer to putting images and names of emperors on coins. It was used on slaves, soldiers and worshippers as a tattoo.