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THE SECOND REASON

We have shared in the last few articles why Satan desires to destroy Israel. If you missed the past articles, they are available at the paper office. In the last article (Why Is The United States Involved?) we shared one of the reasons Satan has to destroy the morals and the economy of the United States. Right now the United States of America is Israel's greatest friend and protector.

There is another important reason. Sometime in the future God will allow Satan to elevate a man into a position of leadership on the world scene (Revelation 17:8-18).

"7 After this, in the visions of the night I saw the fourth beast, different from all the others, terrifying, horrible, and of extraordinary strength; it had great iron teeth with which it devoured and crushed, and what was left it trampled with its feet. 8 I was considering the ten horns it had, when suddenly another, a little horn, sprang out of their midst, and three of the previous horns were torn away to make room for it. This horn had eyes like a man, and a mouth that spoke arrogantly." Daniel 7:7-8 The New American Bible

"24 The ten horns shall be ten kings rising out of that kingdom; another shall rise up after them, Different from those before him, who shall lay low three kings. 25 He shall speak against the Most High and oppress the holy ones of the Most High, thinking to change the feast days and the law. They shall be handed over to him for a year, two years, and a half-year." Daniel 7:19-22 The New American Bible

In the 7th chapter of Daniel we have two references to the fact that the Anti-Christ will lay low or subdue three kingdoms (verses 8 & 24). If Satan does not eliminate the United States as "the world's policeman" the U. S. would not allow that to happen without a fight. Satan knows that as long as the United States has a viable economy and our citizens have a will to aid other countries to live in freedom, we are a threat to his plans.