

The Mystery of Hanukkah, End Times and the Antichrist Spirit

Does the celebration of Hanukkah connect to the end times?

In a special Hanukkah message, Jonathan Cahn discussed what this holiday celebration means for God's people as we continue to get closer to the return of Christ.

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"Hanukkah is a foreshadow of the end of the age," says Cahn. "The events of Hanukkah were prophesied in the Hebrew Scriptures by the prophet Daniel. They are recorded and celebrated in the New Testament by Jesus Himself."

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"It is the most detailed prophetic foreshadow of the end times of any Hebrew holy day," he continues. "And there are prophetic ones like trumpets and others, but this is the most detailed. Daniel the prophet spoke of the 70 sevens, and there was one seven left over. That's seven years; that's what is called the tribulation period, that's the book of Revelation."

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Cahn points out that the ancient ruler, Antiochus, had a vehement hatred toward the Jewish people. It is God's light and triumph that came after this heinous government reign where Hanukkah rose as a celebration. Antiochus, as Cahn explains, is a foreshadow of another sinister player who will rise during the end times.

“Antiochus is a foreshadow of the man called the Antichrist, the Beast,” Cahn says. “He thought he was God, and he came against the nation of Israel. He declared that all nations are going to be the Antichrist will do that.”

Cahn points out that the antichrist spirit has already found its way into the world, which he says is the reason why anti-Semitism is so prevalent. Because the Israeli people are God’s chosen people, they will never conform or fit into the mold of the world.

“The bible foretells that in the last days all the nations of the world will come against Jerusalem, come against Israel. That seems impossible, but you can already see it coming,” says Cahn.

During these last days, we must continue to look to the hope of Christ and His return no matter what circumstances we face.

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