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God  .

God uses suffering for His specific  .

God’s followers are   suffering.

How are we sustained through suffering?

1. **A vision of a .** Verses 1 – 9

The  is the Medo-Persian Empire. Verse 20

Then the third kingdom rises. Verses 5 – 7

The  represents Greece. Verse 21

1. **The little causes big .**

Verses 10 - 12

This little horn is , also known as Antiochus Epiphanes.

The little horn assaults God’s  and God’s  . Verse 10

and God’s  are also attacked. Verse 11

This idol became known as the  of  .

(see 11:31; Matthew 24:15)

God  all of this to happen. Verse 12

1. **and restoration are near.** Verses 13 – 14

This describes a  but  period, which actually ended with the restoration of the sanctuary in 164 BC.

God commands the angel Gabriel to clear things up for Daniel. Verses 15 – 19

1. **Fast Forward to** Matthew 24:15 - 22

Jesus  us about this final  so that we will not be taken by surprise and so that we will be prepared to faithfully endure.

The New Testament call this final evil ruler the . 1 John 2:18; and

The man of , 2 Thessalonians 2:4

This lawless one is  God’s .

2 Thessalonians 2:7 – 8

Even when God’s dynamic history is played out in the   of the end-times Antichrist, God is in control.

**What will sustain you through suffering?**

**of your .**

**Repent corporately and .** Ezra 9:5 - 7

**that God is in** 2 Thessalonians 2:8

This is the   that God gives us

that will sustain God’s people in all times, places, and circumstances.