

exactly what this would be in the future, but when it came to pass you could say, Isn't it wonderful that Daniel predicted it 300 yrs. in advance. Tremendous!

The king of the south shall be strong, and one of his princes and he shall be strong above him." and have doming." When you find one of Ptolemy's generals going up and having control of the whole eastern half of the Persian empire that certainly is a remarkable fulfillment of this. You wouldn't know in advance what would happen, but when it happened you would see how tremendously accurately Daniel had predicted this.

"He shall be strong above him." He had a far wider area than Ptolemy had. And have doming; his dominion shall be a great dominion.

Verse 6, "And in the end of years they shall join themselves together for the king's daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement. Between vv. 5 and 6 you skip over Seleucus' son. You skip to his grandson. So there is an unmentioned interval of about 30 years. Then you find an attempt to bring the two together. They --"The king's daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement." In the treaty, as you know, Bernice, the daughter of Ptolemy II was married to Antiochus II. "But she shall not retain the power of her arms neither shall he stand or his arms, but she shall be given up and they that brought her and he that begat and he that strengthened her in these times."

We took time to notice that how Bernice, the conflict between Bernice and Laodice the former wife and how in the end Bernice and her child were killed. Her father died, ~~but~~ about the same time and the man who had married her was thought to be poisoned by his first wife. Very exact fulfillment of this. You might not know exactly how it would be, but when it happened you would say, how wonderful that Daniel could predict all these details.

Verse 7. But out of a branch of her roots shall one stand up -- one descended from her ancestors, a rather poetic way of describing her brother. But ~~with~~ who came up with his army and attacked. In the next two vv. we have his tremendous victory over the next king.

Verse 10, referring on to the king of the north: His son shall be stirred up and assemble a great multitude, and their fighting goes on through two or three verses. Then we have the account of Antiochus III as we noticed. We went through the details of his conquering Palestine which is specifically referred to here. The people of Israel who tried to help him to get away from the Ptolemies in order to establish the vision --their idea of being better off which proved not to work, and the mention of his conflict with Rome.

In v. 20 we had his son. There shall stand in his estate a raiser of taxes and the glory of his kingdom, but in a few days