

~~fiere~~ "fierce countenance, understanding dark secrets, shall stand up. And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power:" We could show how in the history there were forces he had that helped him, in conquering what he did,"and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper and practice and shall destroy the mighty, and the holy people....but he shall be broken without hand." And A.E. was broken without hand, very interesting. A.E. is one of the most dramatic events of ancient history. ~~Ex~~ A.E. made a great plan for the conquest of Egypt, and he gathered a great army, and he made his march down there, and then he worked clever trickery and deceit in working it, and he was related, there were intermarriages in the Ptolemies and Seleucids, and was related to the kings down there, and he worked different kinds of principles, and he got control until he was just about ready to have all Egypt in his grasp, and he was here in northern Egypt, in Alexandria, near Alexandria, and a ship arrived, and the ship came from Rome, and A.E. had been a hostage in Rome for many years, and he knew the power of the Romans. They were not yet the great empire they became later, but they were a mighty powerful people. They had fought his grandfather, ~~Ex~~ Antiochus III, fought him to a standstill, and destroyed him, and that's why he had been made a hostage in Rome. His father had had a great empire, and the Romans had taken away a large part of it, and A.E. was a hostage, he was training in Rome, and he knew the wisdom of the Romans, he was brought up in school with the young Romans, he knew many of them intimately, and here he is and this boat lands, and a Roman senator comes up and he was a man whom A.E. had known in school, and he comes up and greets A.E., the Romans were very proud of this event, and they have described it often later, and ~~Ex~~ A.E. saw this man, (I forget his name now), call him Anteus), and ~~Ex~~ A.E. says, Oh, Anteus, how are you, nice to see you, And Anteus' face was just as stern as could be, and he says, I have a message for you, Antiochus. Antiochus says, Oh, that's fine, but it is nice to see you. How are you? And he says, I have a message for you from the Roman Senate. And A.E. says, well, that can wait. Come have dinner with me, I'll hear it later. And he says, I must give the message at once. A.E. says, What is the message?