# Daniel – Series Two World Governments as Beasts Chapter Seven Lesson XVIII

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#### I Introduction

We mentioned at the beginning of these lessons that in Daniel the first six chapters are basically history. We found that Bible history from Genesis onward is filled with symbols and types. Daniel chapter seven is filled with symbols and prophecy when written, but now most of the prophecy has merged into history.

In chapter two we found symbols of world governments, as men see them. Valuable, gold, silver grass, iron. In chapters seven we have symbols of world governments as God sees them- wild, strange beasts. Ezekiel 30:10,11 and Ezekiel 32:11-12, speak of Babylon as the terrible of the Nations. Babylon includes Iraq of today.

Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will also make the multitude of Egypt to cease by the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon. He and his people with him, the terrible of the nations, shall be brought to destroy the land: and they shall draw their swords against Egypt, and fill the land with the slain.

Ezekiel 30:10,11

For thus saith the Lord GOD; The sword of the king of Babylon shall come upon thee. By the swords of the mighty will I cause thy multitude to fall, the terrible of the nations, all of them: and they shall spoil the pomp of Egypt, and all the multitude thereof shall be destroyed. Ezekiel 32:11-12

I insert some notes from a sermon preached in 1938 by M.V. Brown on radio. "The Bible certainly teaches- there is Divine Providence guiding and shaping the destinies of the Nations. One of the principle reasons for the presentation of these truths, is to show how the mightiest Empires crumble, and decay when in the zenith of their power, because God said they would No human force, no military might could stand against God, and one by one the Empires crumbed and thrones tottered and swayed and fell.

How clearly we can see , the God of all the Heaven and the earth writing the destinies of Nations on the parchment scrolls of history. He who spoke the Nations into existence, has chosen to guide and direct the affairs of this world. Alexander the Great marched into country after country , until one day his pride took a fall, and like all world rulers found out he was in the hand of God." (end quote) These chapters in the book of Daniel reveal the absolute Sovereignty of God in the affairs of men.

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There are those who object to the symbols in chapter seven being symbols of the same governments as found in chapter two. So when they come to Daniel 7:4 "the lion like beast" rather than interpret it to be Babylon they interpret the Lion to be England and the Bear in Daniel 7:5 to be Russia. I remember that Earnest Manning, then Premier of Alberta, interpreted the verse as such. (I have read that David Hocking and Chuck Swindoll do the same.)

The first *was* like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.

Daniel 7:4

And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and *it had* three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh.

Daniel 7:5

The first reason given for not accepting these beasts in chapter seven to be the same governments as chapter two is because that would be but repetition. My answer is simple Matthew , Mark and Luke repeat many of the same stories about Jesus, but each do so for different reasons. The transfiguration, the crucifixion, the burial and resurrection are recorded by all these three writers. They do not contradict, they compliment each other. As I see it, the repetition in Daniel seven adds more light on the prophecies of the same governments.

To make the Lion and the Bear to represent modern nations does not fit the context of the book of Daniel. For when we come to Daniel chapter eight we will find two symbols explained to be "Media-Persian and Grecia". Daniel 8:20-21. Therefore we find more prophetic symbols of the *same* governments as found in Daniel two, and in my view, the same as in chapter seven.

The ram which thou sawest having *two* horns *are* the kings of Media and Persia. The ram which thou sawest having *two* horns *are* the kings of Media and Persia.

Daniel 8:20-21

## II Daniel 7:1 "In the first Year of Belshazzar."

Therefore, Daniel had this vision prior to the events of Chapters five and six. For chapter five are events in the last year of Belshazzar and chapter six still later, during the reign of Darius, king of the Medes and Persians

In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel had a dream and visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream, *and* told the sum of the matters. Daniel 7:1

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Chapter seven is in two parts.

Daniel 7:1-14 Daniel tells his vision

Daniel 7:15-28 The interpretation of that vision.

In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel had a dream and visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream, and told the sum of the matters. Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea. And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another. The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it. And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and it had three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh. After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it. After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns. I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things. I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time. I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Daniel 7:1-14

Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me. I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things. These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth. But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever. Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;

And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows. I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom. Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him. Hitherto is the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

Daniel 7:15-28

### III. Daniel 7:1-3 The introduction to the Chapter

Because the vision was God-given, it can be classified as direct Revelation from God. A Revelation inspired by the Holy Spirit to be preserved in Scripture. No man is being inspired today as were those who wrote the Scriptures. God is not adding revelation to the Scriptures. Any one who claims such inspiration will be proven to be wrong. God is giving *illumination* on the Scriptures but *not new revelations*.

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Daniel 7:1-3

The claim of Jack Deere (a former Dallas Seminary teacher) is quoted on page 77 of the book "Power Religion" as follows: "in order to fulfill God's highest purpose for our lives we must be able to hear his voice both in the written word and in the word freshly spoken from Heaven…ultimately, the doctrine of the sufficiency of Scripture is demonic." Does this not contradict 2 Timothy 3:16-17 and 2 Timothy 4:1-2?

All scripture *is* given by inspiration of God, and *is* profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness:

That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works. 2 Timothy 3:16-17

I charge *thee* therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; Preach the word; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all longsuffering and doctrine. 2 Timothy 4:1-2

In Daniel 7:3, in his vision Daniel saw four winds tossing the sea. It pictures a troubled sea. Isaiah 57:20 "But the wicked are like the troubled sea when it cannot rest. Whose waters cast up mire and dirt." What a picture of the masses of people in our world today Scofield says: "The sea in Scripture imagery stands for the populace, the mere unorganized

mass of man kind."

The four beasts are interpreted to be four kings in Daniel 7:17, and in Daniel 7:25 we learn that they also represent kingdoms.

And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another. Daniel 7:3

But the wicked *are* like the troubled sea, when it cannot rest, whose waters cast up mire and dirt. Isaiah 57:20

These great beasts, which are four, *are* four kings, *which* shall arise out of the earth. Daniel 7:17

And he shall speak *great* words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Daniel 7:25

### **IV Daniel 7:4 The First Beast**

It was not a lion, but like a lion, and had eagles wings.

So this is the first of four kings and four kingdoms

We believe that other scriptures identify this strange beast to be Babylon.

Jeremiah 4:7 the lion is come up

Jeremiah 4:13 his horses are swifter than eagles

Jeremiah 27:6 now have I given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar, the king of Babylon.

Ezekiel 17:3 and say thus saith the Lord- a great eagle with great wings..

Ezekiel 17:7 another great eagle

Ezekiel 17:12 say now what these things mean? "Behold the king of Babylon,..."

Joel 1:6 in my opinion is also speaking about Babylon.

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It is our opinion that these Scriptures indicate that the Lion in Daniel is none other than Babylon. The chapter begins with a Lion like kingdom and follows through history to the time of the appearance of the Son of Man who is given dominion, glory and a kingdom Daniel 7:13. Throughout history the Nations are seen as fighting and devouring one another as do wild beasts. Such continues to be history.

The first *was* like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.

Daniel 7:4

The lion is come up from his thicket, and the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place to make thy land desolate; *and* thy cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant.

Jeremiah 4:7

Behold, he shall come up as clouds, and his chariots *shall be* as a whirlwind: his horses are swifter than eagles. Woe unto us! for we are spoiled.

Jeremiah 4:13

And now have I given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, my servant; and the beasts of the field have I given him also to serve him.

Jeremiah 27:6

And say, Thus saith the Lord GOD; A great eagle with great wings, longwinged, full of feathers, which had divers colours, came unto Lebanon, and took the highest branch of the cedar: Ezekiel 17:3

There was also another great eagle with great wings and many feathers: and, behold, this vine did bend her roots toward him, and shot forth her branches toward him, that he might water it by the furrows of her plantation.

Ezekiel 17:7

Say now to the rebellious house, Know ye not what these *things mean*? tell *them*, Behold, the king of Babylon is come to Jerusalem, and hath taken the king thereof, and the princes thereof, and led them with him to Babylon;

Ezekiel 17:12

For a nation is come up upon my land, strong, and without number, whose teeth *are* the teeth of a lion, and he hath the cheek teeth of a great lion.

Joel 1:6

### V Daniel 7:5 The Second Beast

And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and *it had* three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh.

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This was not a bear, but *like* a bear, one side was higher than the other side, had three ribs between its teeth, devoured much flesh.

This bear – one side higher than the other and being very destructive, is the second of the four kingdoms (Daniel 7:23) Therefore it must represent the Medes and the Persians. This bear causes a great slaughter. The three ribs? Scofield "a reference to the threefold dominion of the second empire, Media, Persia, Babylonia.

Scofield: "Xerxes and Artaxerxes marched to war with millions", who can read history and not see Nations as wild beasts?

Woolvrood writes "...the vision of Daniel provides the most comprehensive and detailed prophecy of future events to be found anywhere in the Old Testament."

Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

Daniel 7:23

## VI Daniel 7:6 The Third Beast

A strange Leopard, certainly not an ordinary one. This is the third kingdom of Greece. Compare again Daniel 7:17 and Daniel 7:23

The wings must speak of the speed by which Alexander the Great subdued his world in only 12 years. The four heads must symbolize the four leaders who divided the kingdom into four regions after the sudden death of Alexander.

After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.

Daniel 7:6

These great beasts, which are four, *are* four kings, *which* shall arise out of the earth. Daniel 7:17

Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

Daniel 7:23

#### VII Daniel 7:7 A Terrible Beast

Again we compare Daniel 7:17 with Daniel 7:23 and learn that this is the fourth kingdom. The iron teeth is the key to identifying this kingdom with the Roman Empire.

All these kingdoms have come and gone. The fulfillments have been very literal.

After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it *was* diverse from all the beasts that *were* before it; and it had ten horns. Daniel 7:7

These great beasts, which are four, *are* four kings, *which* shall arise out of the earth. Daniel 7:17

Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

Daniel 7:23

This beast had ten horns. In Daniel 7:24 we note that out of this Kingdom of Rome arises ten horns or ten leaders. They are not of the Roman Empire but out of that Empire.

And the ten horns out of this kingdom *are* ten kings *that* shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

Daniel 7:24

#### VIII Daniel 7:8 The Little horn

This little horn (or leader) comes up among the ten.

Thus the Ten Horns or leaders of another Kingdom produce this little horn.

The Question is this: Have these ten leaders out of Rome already arisen or are they future?

The amillennialists says they have arisen, the premillennialist says they are future.

The Amill says the ten Emperor's of Rome were the Ten horns.

But as we have pointed out Daniel 7:24 interprets these ten to be out of the Kingdom of Rome.

The Emperor's were Rome, they were not out of Rome.

From these ten, after they arise, another "little horn" arises among them. Therefore this little horn must appear *at the same time* in history, as the ten.

I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn *were* eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Daniel 7:8

And the ten horns out of this kingdom *are* ten kings *that* shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

Daniel 7:24

So another question is: Has this little horn appeared in history or is he future? The answer will be found in the interpretation that follows.

#### IX Daniel 7:9-10 The Ancient of Days

I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment *was* white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne *was like* the fiery flame, *and* his wheels *as* burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened

Daniel 7:9-10

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Daniel has a vision of the Ancient of Days.

Compare Daniel 7:9 with Revelation 1:13-17. By doing so, must we not conclude that this was a vision of the Second Coming of Christ back to earth?

Also compare Daniel 7:10 with Jude14, 2 Thessalonians 1:7 and Matthew 25:31.

When Christ returns it will be with all the Holy Angels. And when He returns his first business will be to judge.

I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment *was* white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne *was like* the fiery flame, *and* his wheels *as* burning fire.

Daniel 7:9

And in the midst of the seven candlesticks *one* like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle. His head and *his* hairs *were* white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes *were* as a flame of fire; And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters. And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance *was* as the sun shineth in his strength. And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me, saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last: Revelation 1:13-17

## X Daniel 7:11-12 Explains the judgment

I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld *even* till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time.

Daniel 7:11-12

Judgment falls upon the little horn. He was slain and given to the burning flame. Here read Revelation 19:20. The beast and false prophet are cast into the lake of fire. And in verse 12 of Daniel seven, the rest of the beasts (i.e. the Ten) had their dominion taken away.

And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

Revelation 19:20

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# XI Daniel 7:13-14 The Coming of the Son of Man

I saw in the night visions, and, behold, *one* like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed.

Daniel 7:13-14

In this vision Daniel sees the Son of Man come "and there was given to Him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages should serve Him..." Surely this is the Second Coming of Christ to reign on this earth.

Revelation 20:1-7 reveals the length of time that He reigns will be one thousand years. In Daniel, it says His dominion is everlasting. We believe that the thousand years is but the initial stage of the eternal Kingdom of our Lord. Is it not correct to say that when we are saved we only begin the initial stage of our eternal salvation?

And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years. But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years. And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, Revelation 20:1-7

## XII Daniel 7:15-28 The Interpretation of the Vision

Verse 15 I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me. Verse 16 I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things. Verse 17 These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth. Verse 18 But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

Verse 19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet; Verse 20 And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows. Verse 21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; Verse 22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom. Verse 23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. Verse 24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. Verse 25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. Verse 26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. Verse 27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him. Verse 28 Hitherto is the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart

Verse 17, we repeat. These great beasts are four kings but also four kingdoms. Verse 23. Verse 18 The end of the vision is interpreted to be "the saints of the Most High" taking their kingdom from the Kings of the earth. When Daniel wrote the book, the readers then would understand these saints of the Most High to be Jewish believers. They knew nothing about New Testament Church saints. The earthly Kingdom was promised to the Jews, and they will yet possess the earth. We may not yet understand it all, but we believe.

## XIII Daniel 7:19-22 Daniel asks about what he has seen.

Verse 19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet; Verse 20 And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows. Verse 21 I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; Verse 22 Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

Verse 19 – the fourth beast

Verse 20 the little horn

Verse 21 this little horn making war with the saints

Verse 22 the little horn prevailing *until* the Ancient of days came and the saints possessed the kingdom.

## XIV Daniel 7:23-27 The Answer to these questions

Verse 23 Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces. Verse 24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings. Verse 25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. Verse 26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end. Verse 27 And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

Daniel 7:23-27

Verse 23 the fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom, a world kingdom

Verse 24 The ten horns out of this kingdom are ten Kings that shall arise after the fourth Kingdom. And another shall arise *after them*. He is not one of the ten.

This little horn is explained to be a person, a leader. Of the Ten he subdues three. Again this is evidence that the ten and the one appear at the same time. Therefore, if the ten are history so is the little horn but if the little horn is future so are the ten.

In verse 8 this little horn has the eyes of a man but also a big mouth!

Verse 25 the little horn shall speak great words against the Most High.

See Isaiah 14:14 he is like Lucifer

I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. Isaiah 14:14

Revelation 13: 5 to the Beast-Kingdom is given a mouth speaking great things for forty two months, that is three and a half years.

And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty *and* two months.

Revelation 13: 5

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#### 2 Thessalonians 2:4 Anti-Christ exalts himself above God.

Not only Daniel but John and Paul warn that one is coming who will speak against God.

He also wears out the saints of the Most High for three and a half years.

Jews are the earthly people of the Most High God.

This little horn will think to change times and laws of the Jews. Acts 1:7,

1 Thessalonians 5:1- Times have to do with the restoration of the Kingdom of Israel. Like Hitler and the present president of Iran, the little horn will declare the end has come for the Jews.

The "times" are given to be three and a half years. This certainly identifies the horn.

These three and a half years must be the last three and a half years of Daniel's 70<sup>th</sup> week

Luke 21:24 Jerusalem is to be trodden down of the Gentiles until Christ comes.

Compare Revelation 11:2, Revelation 12:6; Revelation 13:5. These are all the same period of time.

And he said unto them, It is not for you to know the times or the seasons, which the Father hath put in his own power.

Acts 1:7

But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. 1 Thessalonians 5:1

And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. Luke 21:24

But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty *and* two months.

Revelation 11:2

And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days.

Revelation 12:6

And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty *and* two months.

Revelation 13:5

June 11,2004 CNN reported that a poll in Europe stated that the majority of people in the Common Market believe that Israel is the number one threat to world peace. What better reason to declare war against Israel? Zechariah 14:2 may be nearer than we think.

For I will gather all nations against Jerusalem to battle; and the city shall be taken, and the houses rifled, and the women ravished; and half of the city shall go forth into captivity, and the residue of the people shall not be cut off from the city.

Zechariah 14:2

# XV Daniel 7:26 Judgment Comes

But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy *it* unto the end.

Daniel 7:26

By the Coming of the Ancient of Days, judgment shall sit...and they shall take away his dominion. Why they? My opinion, it will be the Lord with the saints Psalm 149:9 2 Thessalonians 2:8 tells us that the Wicked one is destroyed by Christ's Coming as does Revelation 19:20.

If this little horn is destroyed by the Second Coming he must be on earth at the time of the second coming

To execute upon them the judgment written: this honour have all his saints. Praise ye the LORD. Psalm 149:9

And then shall that Wicked be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of his mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of his coming: 2 Thessalonians 2:8

And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

Revelation 19:20

In Daniel 7:13-14

I saw in the night visions, and, behold, *one* like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed.

Daniel 7:13-14

The Son of Man appears in the clouds. To Him is given Dominion, kingdom and glory This is explained in Daniel 7:27 to be:

A kingdom under the whole heaven is set up. Surely an earthly kingdom is meant All Dominions shall serve Him, the Son of Man

Saints of the Most High receive the kingdom. One never to be destroyed.

Micah 4:8; Jeremiah 23:5; Zechariah 14:9 Revelation 20:1-4

Verse 27 concludes ," All dominions shall serve and obey Him." We know "him" refers to Jesus Christ. Jesus is repeatedly identified as King of the Jews. As such He was born, as such He died, and as such He will return

And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom *is* an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

Daniel 7:27

And thou, O tower of the flock, the strong hold of the daughter of Zion, unto thee shall it come, even the first dominion; the kingdom shall come to the daughter of Jerusalem. Micah 4:8

Behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth. Jeremiah 23:5

And the LORD shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one LORD, and his name one.

Zechariah 14:9

And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand. And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years, And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season. And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and *I saw* the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received *his* mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

9 Revelation 20:1-4

As Deity, the Son of God, He is the Ancient of Days Daniel 7:9-12,26.

As Humanity, the Son of Man Daniel 7:13, the Son of David Matthew 1:1, He comes to take the throne of His earthy father David. Acts 2:30, Luke 1:32-33.

Today He sits on His father's throne Revelation 3:21.

Then He will sit on the Throne of Israel 2 Chronicles 6:20, 1 Chronicles 29:23

Verse 9 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. Verse 10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened. Verse 11 I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame. Verse 12 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time. Verse 26 But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

Daniel 7:9-12,26

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Daniel 7:13

The book of the generation of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Matthew 1:1

Therefore being a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him, that of the fruit of his loins, according to the flesh, he would raise up Christ to sit on his throne; Acts 2:30

He shall be great, and shall be called the Son of the Highest: and the Lord God shall give unto him the throne of his father David: And he shall reign over the house of Jacob for ever; and of his kingdom there shall be no end.

Luke 1:32-33

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

Revelation 3:21

That thine eyes may be open upon this house day and night, upon the place whereof thou hast said that thou wouldest put thy name there; to hearken unto the prayer which thy servant prayeth toward this place.

2 Chronicles 6:20

Then Solomon sat on the throne of the LORD as king instead of David his father, and prospered; and all Israel obeyed him.

1 Chronicles 29:23

If all of this troubles your mind, take heart, it troubled Daniel too. Daniel 7:28

Hitherto *is* the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

Daniel 7:28

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