

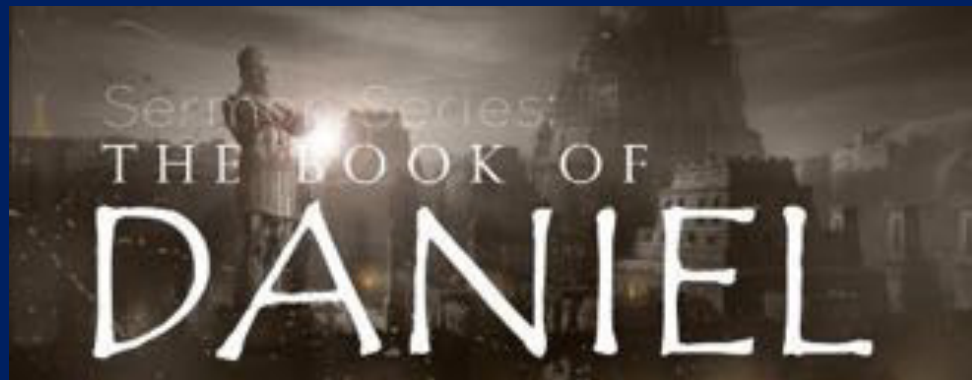
THE BOOK OF DANIEL



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Message

Times of the Gentiles are revealed prophetically (2, 7, 8-12) and ethically (1, 3-6)



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A. Ram & Goat (8)

B. 70 weeks (9)

C. Final vision (10-12)



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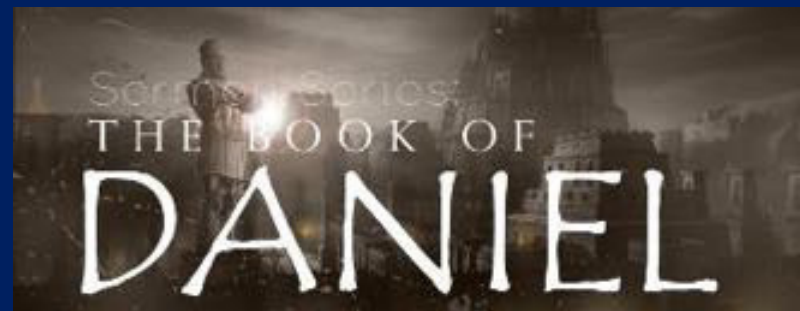
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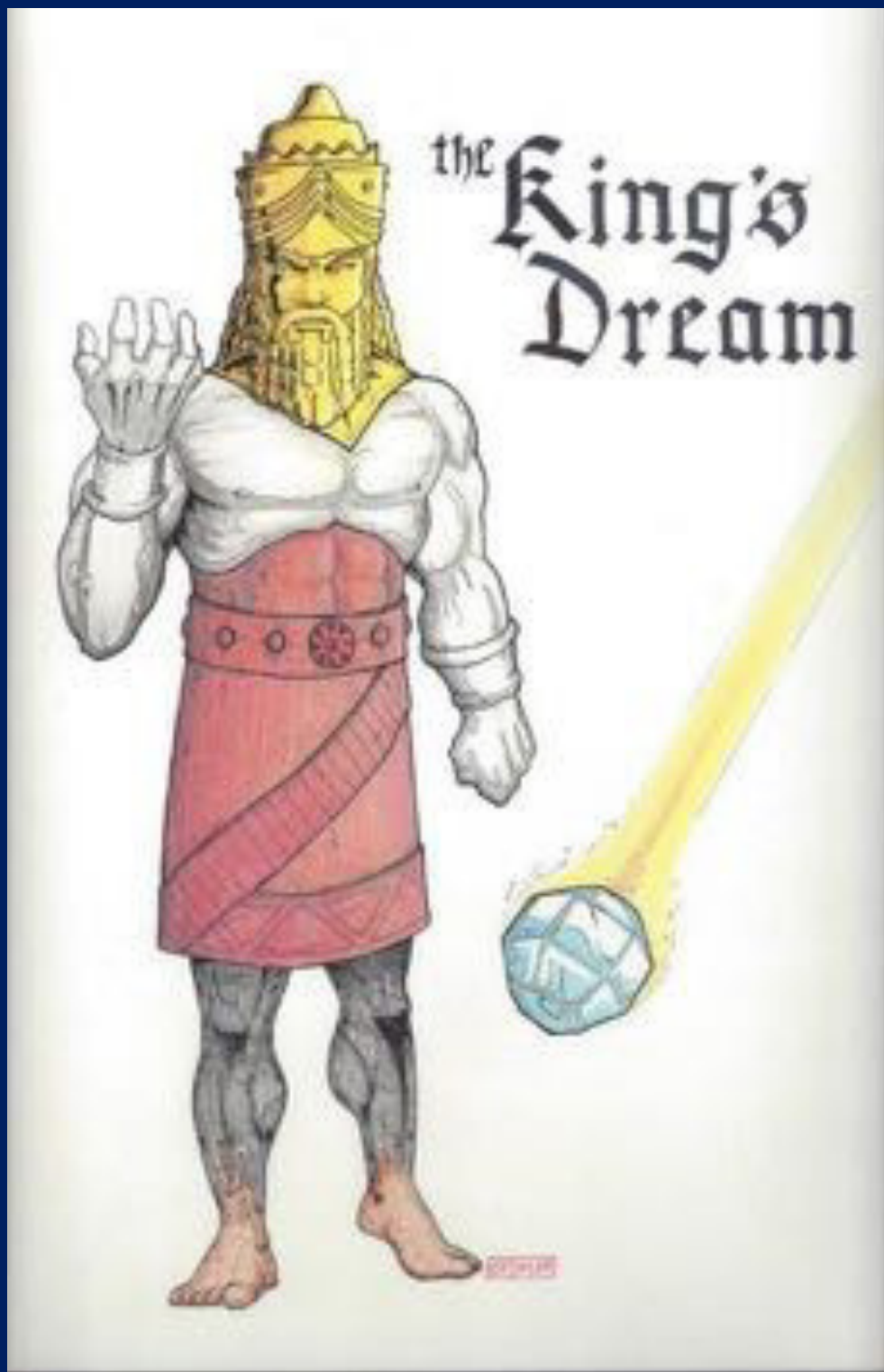
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Nebuchadnezzar's Image (3:1)



- 90 feet high & 9 feet wide
- 8 stories



Nebuchadnezzar's Command (3:4-6)

- Exodus 20:1-6
- Purpose of government (Gen 6:11; 9:6; Rom 13:1-7; 1 Tim 2:1-4; 1 Pet 2:23-15)
- Civil disobedience (Dan 3; 6; Acts 5:29)



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Ken Klukowski, “Baker Faces Prison for Refusing to Bake Same-Sex Wedding Cake,” online: <http://www.breitbart.com/Big-Government/2013/12/12/Christian-Baker-Willing-to-Go-to-Jail-for-Declining-Gay-Wedding-Cake>, 12 December 2013, accessed 16 May 2014.

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Daniel 2:48-49 (NASB)

“Then the king promoted Daniel and gave him many great gifts, and he made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon and chief prefect over all the wise men of Babylon. ⁴⁹ And Daniel made request of the king, and he appointed Shadrach, Meshach and Abed-nego over the administration of the province of Babylon, while Daniel was at the king’s court.”



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Changing of the Names (Dan. 1:6)

- Jewish names (Deut. 6:6-7; Prov. 22:6)
 - ◆ Daniel – God is my judge
 - ◆ Hananiah – Yahweh is gracious
 - ◆ Michael – Who is what God is?
 - ◆ Azariah – Yahweh has helped



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- Babylonian names (Gen 2:19)
 - ◆ Beltshazzar – Lady protect the king
 - ◆ Shadrach – I am fearful of God
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Takeaways from Daniel 3

- Mosaic Law taught Israel how to live inside the land
- The examples of the three Hebrew youths taught them how to live outside the land
- Consecrate themselves to God
- Live by faith from crisis to crisis entrusting the results to God
- Be willing to pay the consequences if necessary
- Allow God to promote us in His due time
- Our cue as well

