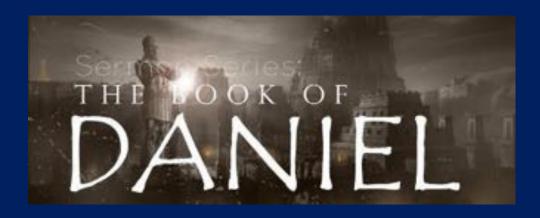
THE BOOK OF DANIEL



Dr. Andy Woods

Message

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



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Angel interprets, 1st person, Jewish nation, Hebrew

- A. Ram & Goat (8)
- B. 70 weeks (9)
- C. Final vision (10-12)



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| CHAPTER AND VERSE IN DANIEL | CHRONOLOGICAL DATE | BIBLICAL DATE |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1:1 | 605 | 3 rd year of Jehoiakim |
| 2:1 | 603 | 2 nd year of Nebuchadnezzar |
| 5 | Sat. night 10/12/539 (Hoehner) | |
| <u>7:1</u> | <u>553</u> | 1st year of Belshazzar |
| 8:1 | 551 | 3 rd year of Belshazzar |
| 9:1 | 538 | 1 st year of Darius |
| 10:1 | 536 | 3 rd year of Cyrus |

Daniel's Age

| CHAPTER | EVENTS | AGE |
|------------|--|-----------------|
| 1 | Taken to Babylonian captivity | 15 |
| 2 | Interpreting Nebuchadnezzar's 1 st dream (huge image) | 17 |
| 3 | Daniel's 3 friends cast into the fiery furnace | 19 or 20 |
| 4 | Interpreting Nebuchadnezzar's 2nd dream (huge tree) | 45-50 |
| 5 | Interpreting handwriting of the wall at Belshazzar's feast | Early 80's |
| 6 | Delivered from the den of lions | c.83 |
| <u>7-8</u> | Daniel's visions and dreams | <u>Mid-60's</u> |
| 9 | Daniel's seventy "sevens" prophecy | Early-80's |
| 10-12 | Final dreams and visions | Mid-80's |

Succession of Gentile Rulers

- 1-4: Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon
- 5: Belshazzar of Babylon
- 6: Darius of Media Persia
- 7-8: Belshazzar of Babylon
- 9: Darius of Media Persia
- 10-12: Cyrus of Media Persia

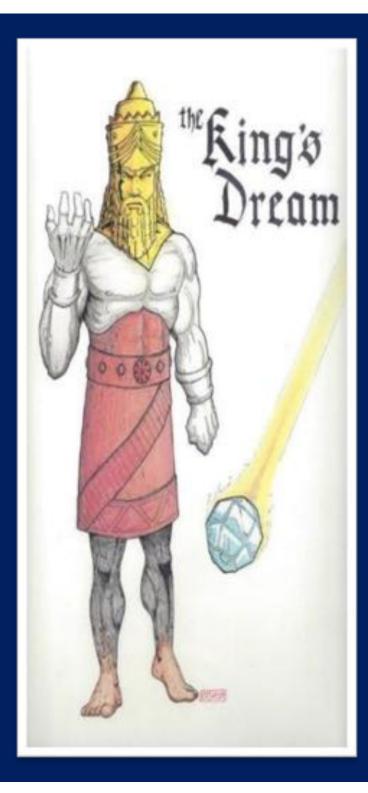
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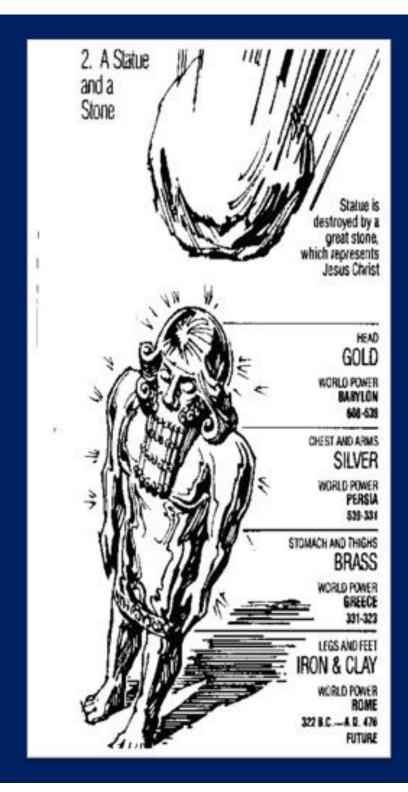
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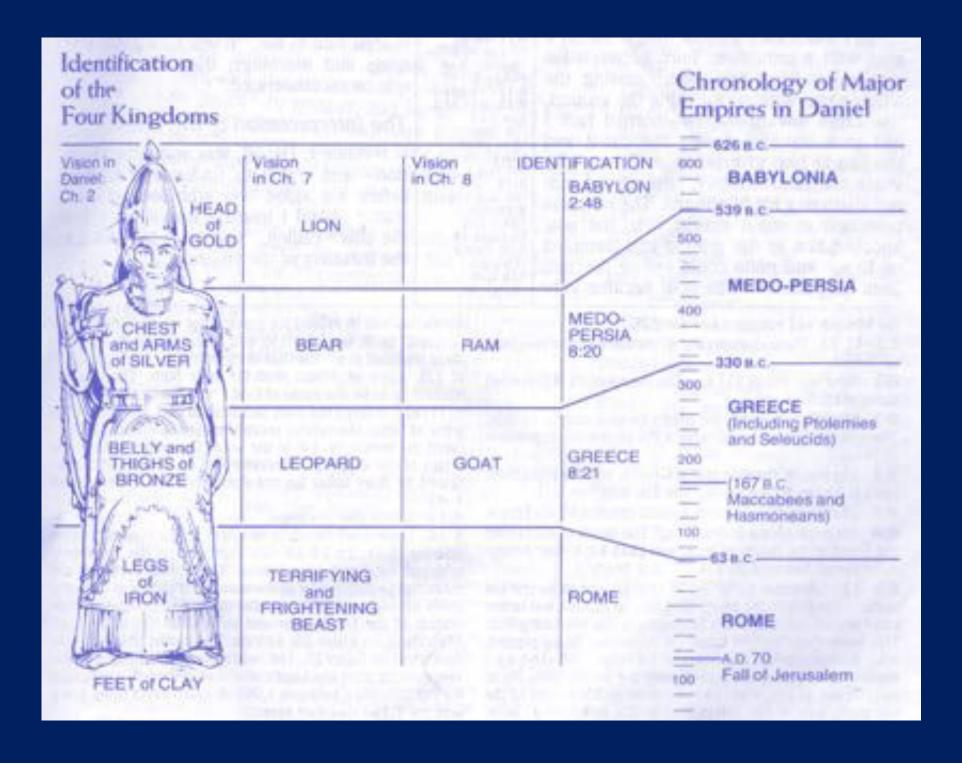
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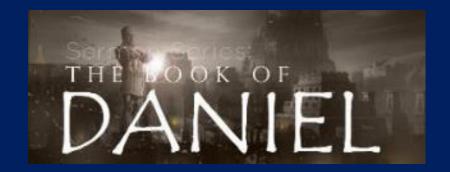


Comparing Daniel 2 & 7: A Matter of Perspective

| | Daniel 2 | Daniel 7 |
|-------------|----------------|-------------|
| Receiver | Nebuchadnezzar | Daniel |
| Position | Oppressor | Oppressee |
| Nationality | Babylonian | Hebrew |
| Perspective | Gentile | Jewish |
| Viewpoint | Antropocentric | Theocentric |
| Description | Statue | Beasts |
| Appearance | Beautiful | Grotesque |

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- 1st Beast (V.4)
 - Lion
 - Babylon
 - Head of Gold
 - 2:38
 - 605-539 BC
 - Eagle's Wings
 - Nebuchadnezzar's Experience



- 2nd Beast (V.5)
 - Bear
 - Media-Persia
 - Chest & Arms of Silver
 - 5:28; 8:20
 - 539-331 BC
 - Raised on One Side
 - Three Ribs
 - Arise and Devour



- 3rd Beast (V. 6)
 - Leopard
 - Greece
 - Belly & Thighs of Bronze
 - 8:21
 - 331-63 BC
 - Rapid Conquest (Wings & Leopard)
 - Four Generals (Wings & Heads)



- 4th Beast (V.7-8)
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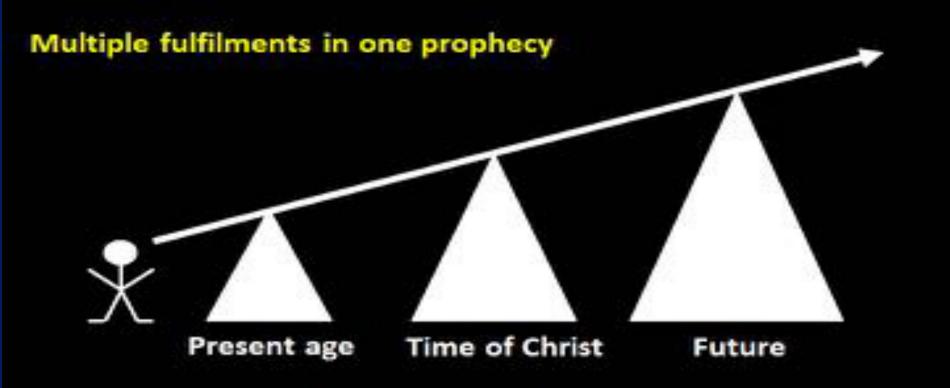


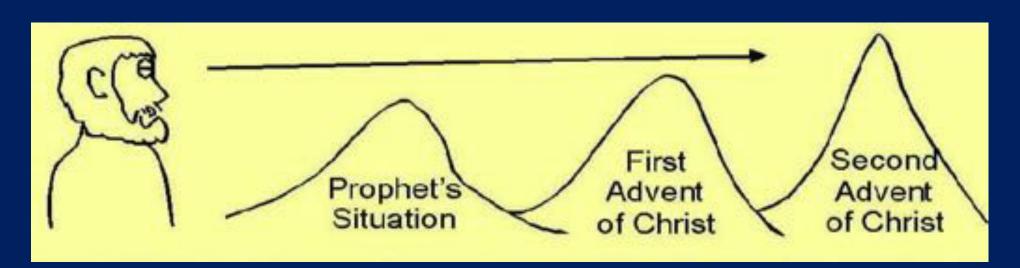
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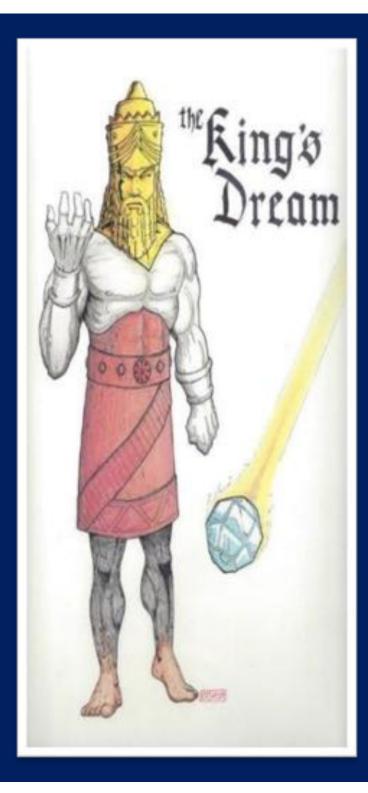
⁶ For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace. There will be no end to the increase of His government or of peace, On the throne of David and over his kingdom, To establish it and to uphold it with justice and righteousness From then on and forevermore. The zeal of the Lord of hosts will accomplish this.



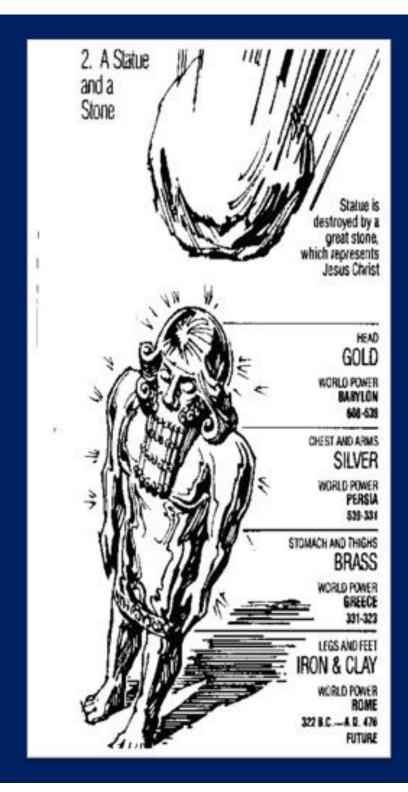
Mountain Peaks of Prophecy







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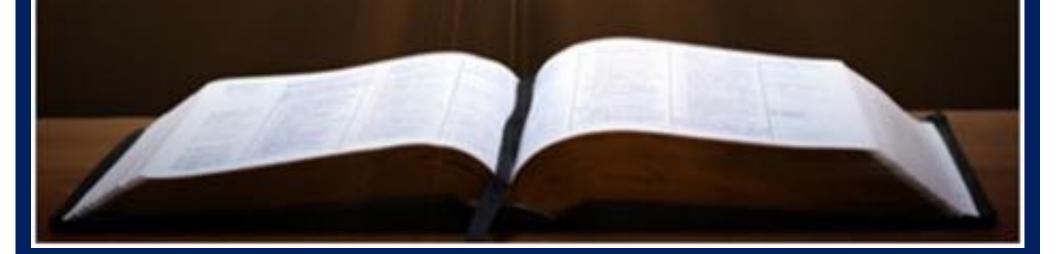


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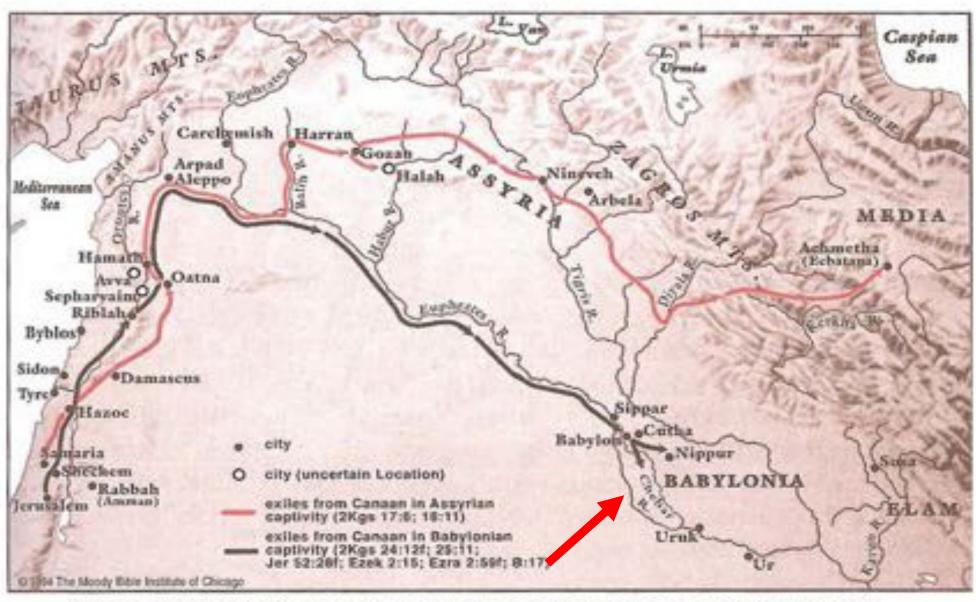


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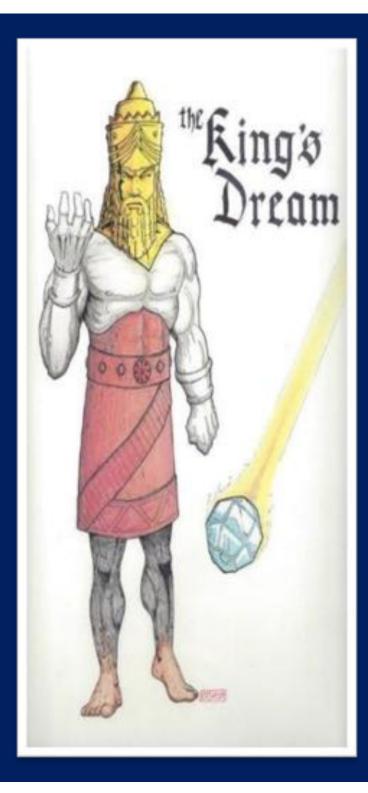


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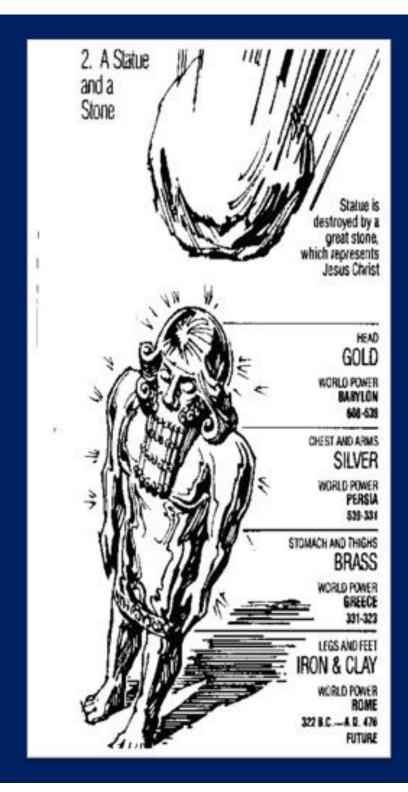
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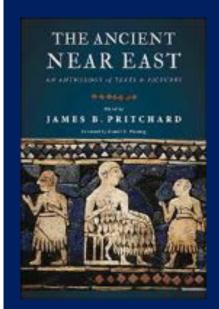


Herodotus, Histories, 1:191 (450 B.C.)

"...he conducted the river by a channel into the lake...and so he made the former course of the river passable by the sinking of the stream. When this had been done, the Persians who had been posted for this very purpose entered by the bed of the river Euphrates into Babylon, the stream having sunk so far that it reached about to the middle of a man's thigh...those Babylonians who dwelt in the middle did not know that they had been captured..."

James Pritchard

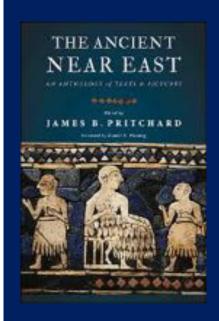
The Ancient Near East Texts Relating to the Old Testament, 315-16.



Without any battle. . . sparing Babylon . . . any calamity.... I am Cyrus...king of Babylon....When entered Babylon...under jubilation and rejoicing...troops walked around Babylon...in peace, I did not allow anybody to terrorize (any place) of the [country of Sumer] and Akkad. I strove for peace in Babylon...and in all his (other) sacred cities....l returned to (these) sacred cities on the other side of the Tigris, the sanctuaries of which have been in ruins for a long time, the images which (used) to live therein and established for them permanent sanctuaries.

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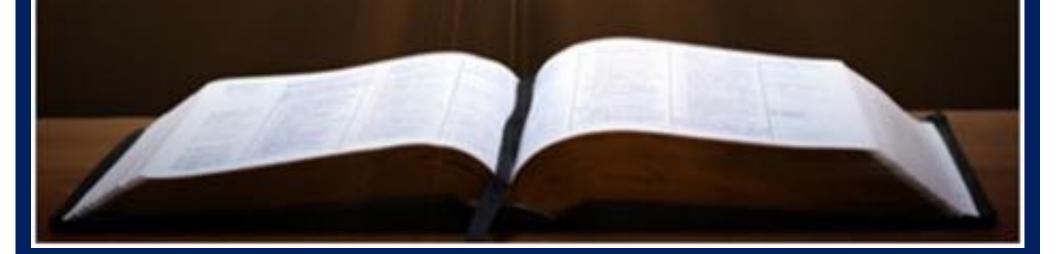
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I (also) gathered all their (former) inhabitants and returned (to them) their habitations. Furthermore, I resettled... unharmed, in their (former) chapels, the places which make them happy. May all the gods whom I have resettled in their sacred cities ask daily Bel and Nebo for a long life for me...all of them I resettled in a peaceful place... ducks and doves,...I endeavoured to fortify/repair their dwelling places . . .

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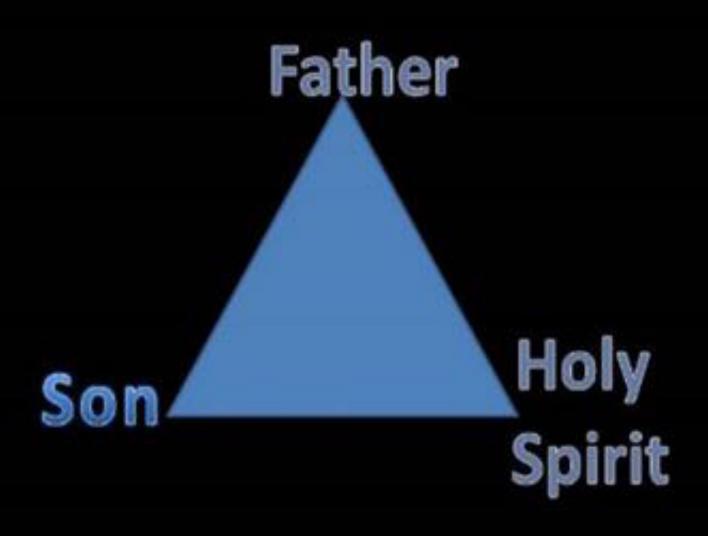


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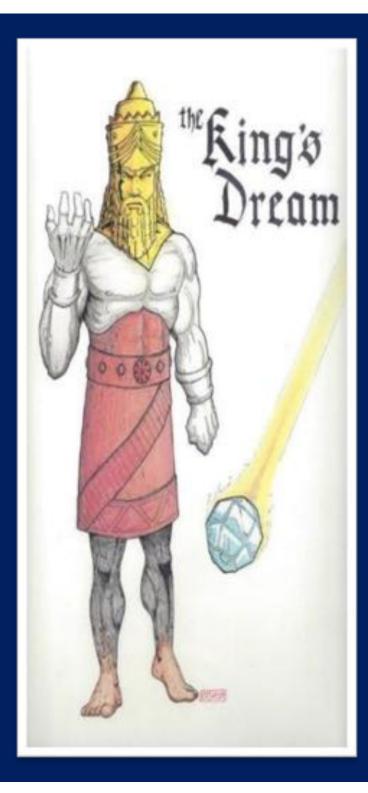
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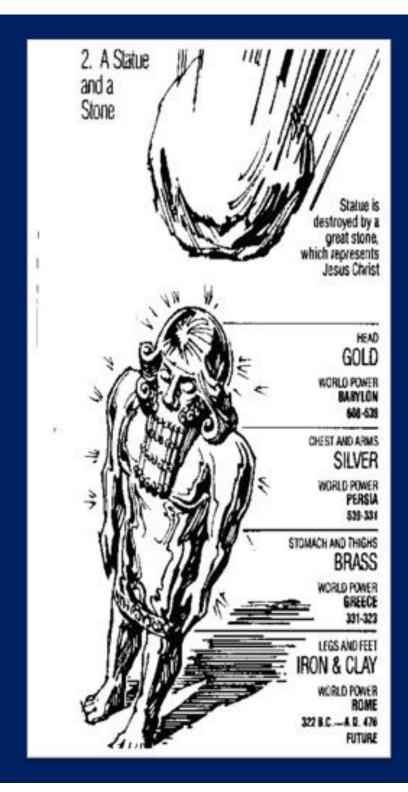
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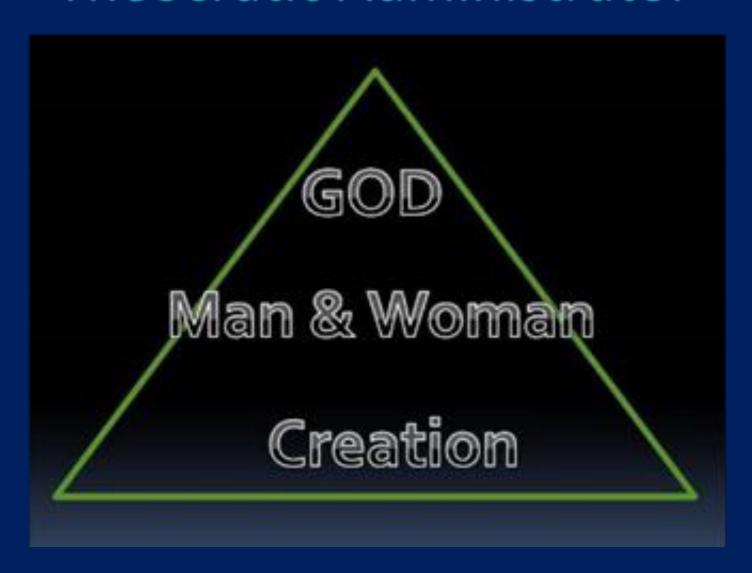


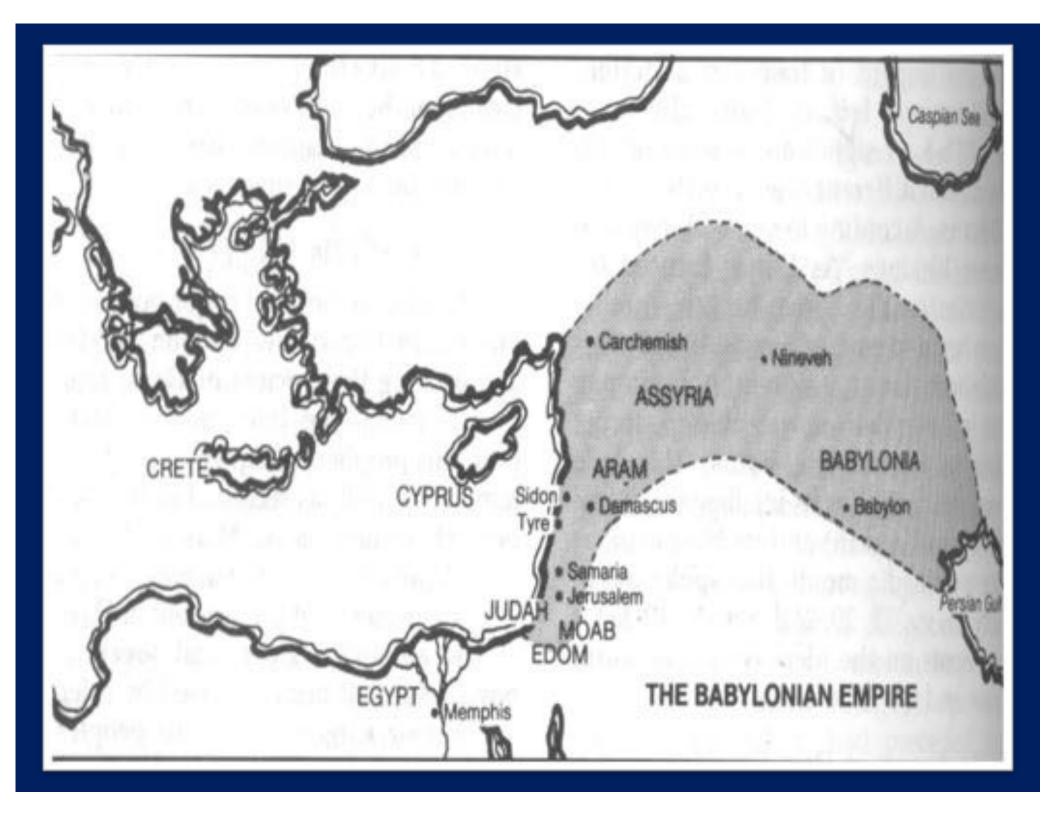


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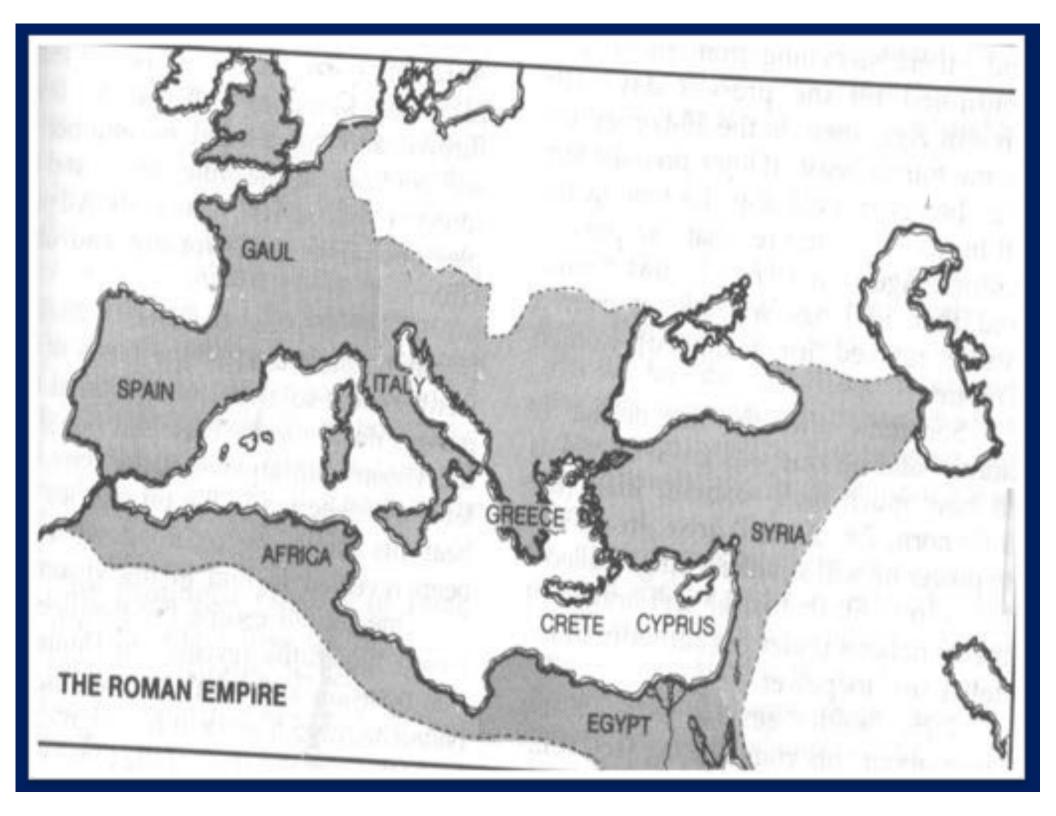
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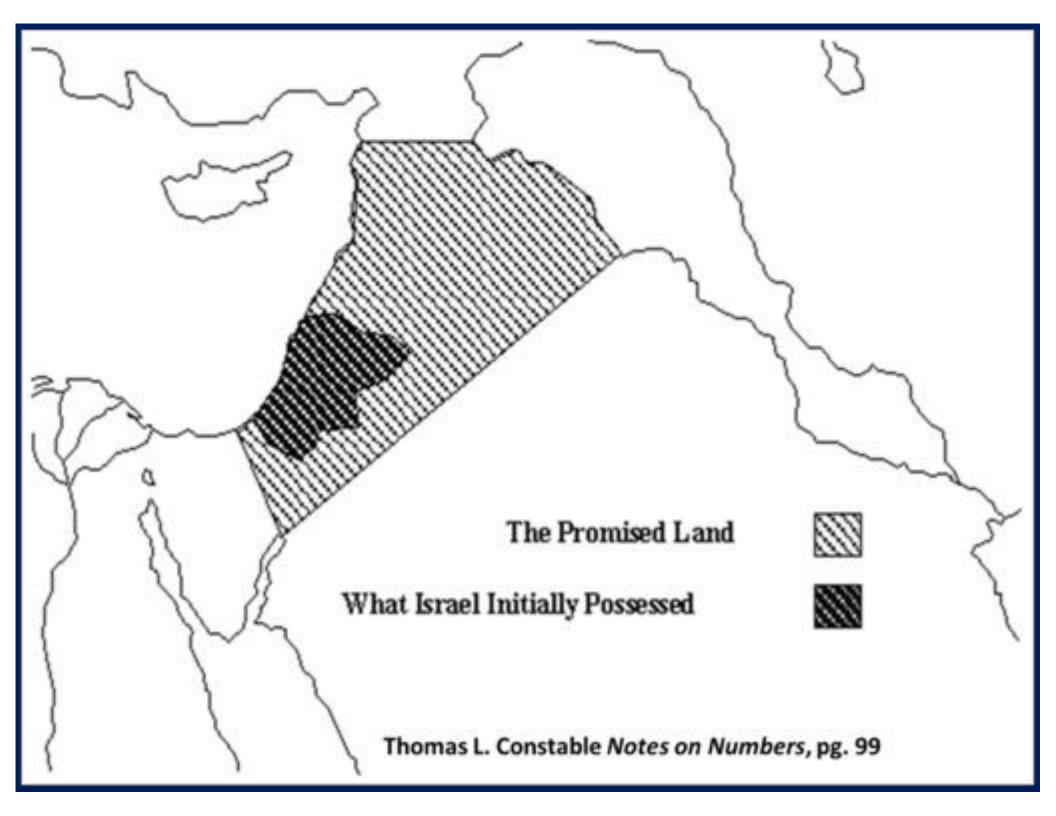












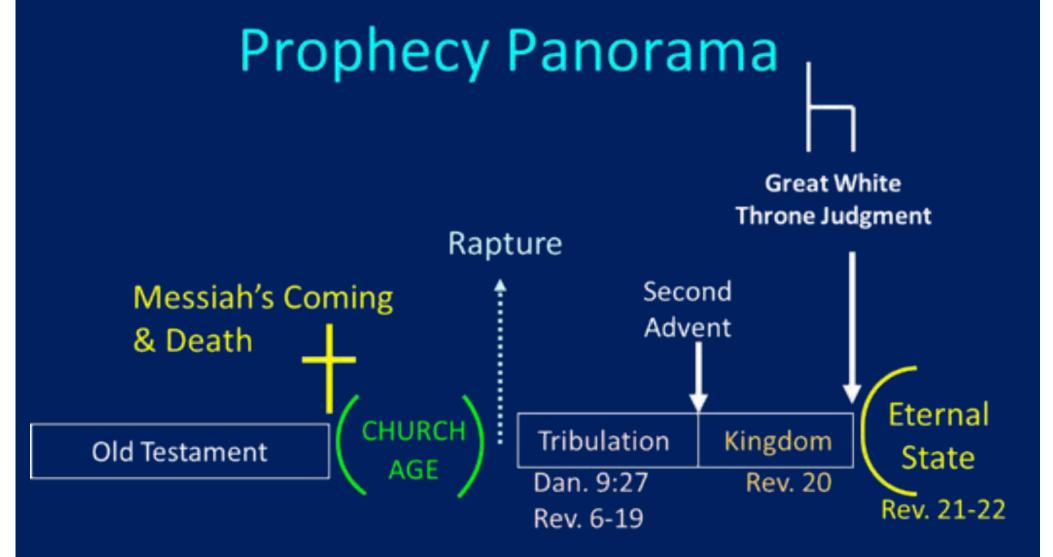
Isaiah 2:2-3 (NASB)

"Now it will come about that In the last days The mountain of the house of the LORD Will be established as the chief of the mountains, And will be raised above the hills; And all the nations will stream to it. And many peoples will come and say, 'Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, To the house of the God of Jacob; That He may teach us concerning His ways And that we may walk in His paths.' For the law will go forth from Zion And the word of the LORD from Jerusalem."



Zechariah 14:16-18 (NASB)

"Then it will come about that any who are left of all the nations that went against Jerusalem will go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to celebrate the Feast of Booths. ¹⁷ And it will be that whichever of the families of the earth does not go up to Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, there will be no rain on them. 18 If the family of Egypt does not go up or enter, then no rain will fall on them; it will be the plague with which the LORD smites the nations who do not go up to celebrate the Feast of Booths."





Merill F. Unger

Unger's Commentary on the Old Testament (Chicago: Moody, 1981; reprint, Chatanooga, TN: AMG, 2002), 1643.

"Hence, the iron kingdom with its feet of iron and clay (cf. 3:33-35, 40, 44) and the nondescript beast of 7:7-8 envision...the form in which it will exist after the church period, when God will resume His dealing with the nation Israel. How futile for conservative scholars to ignore that fact and to seek to find literal fulfillment of those prophecies in history or in the church, when those predictions refer to events yet future and have application whatever to the church."

Kingdom



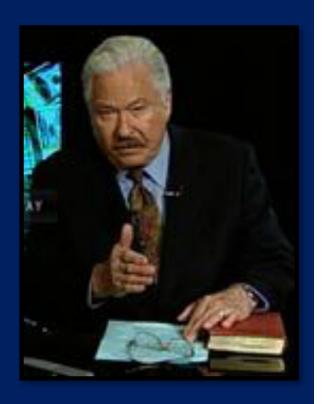
Rick Warren, cited in Oakland, Kindle edition.

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Hal Lindsey

The Road to Holocaust, 269

Bestselling author Hal Lindsey warned what could happen to the church in the last days if she began to see herself as the establisher of God's kingdom: "The last days of the church on the earth may be largely wasted seeking to accomplish a task that only the LORD Himself can and will do directly."



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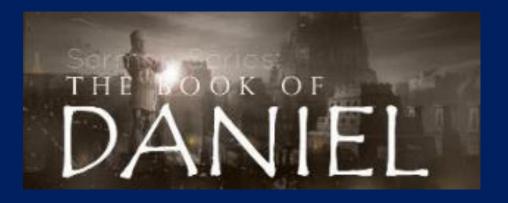


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Ephesians 3:3-6 (NASB)

"that by revelation there was made known to me the mystery, as I wrote before in brief. 4 By referring to this, when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, 5 which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit; ⁶ to be specific, that the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel".





"and to bring to light what is the administration of the mystery which for ages has been hidden in God who created all things."



"Mystery" Defined

"In the N.T, it [mystērion] denotes, not the mysterious (as with the Eng. word), but that which, being outside the range of unassisted natural apprehension, can be made known only by Divine revelation, and is made known in a manner and at a time appointed by God, and to those who are illumined by His Spirit."

Distinctions Between 144,000 & Multitude

| REVELATION 7:1-8 | REVELATION 7:9-17 |
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| | |

Numbered Innumerable

Jews All nations

Sealed Slain

Sealed before the Converted out of the Tribulation Tribulation

Hitchcock and Ice, The Truth Behind Left Behind, 77

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- A Revived Roman Empire
- Daniel 2:40, 41-43
- EEC or ECM / European Common Market?

■ V. 24

- A Ten King Confederacy
- The Antichrist Will Subdue 3 Kings

- V. 25
 - His Boasting Mouth (Dan. 7:8,11,20; Rev 13:5-6)
 - Persecution Of The Saints (Rev. 6:9-11; 13:7, 17:6; Matt. 24:9)
 - The Creation Of A New System
 - Three And A Half Years (Dan. 12:7; Rev. 12:14,13:5; 12:6; Dan. 9:27)

- V. 26
 - The Ancient of Days Destroys the Little Horn
 - The Ancient of Days is God the Father
 - Dan. 9:27; 2 Thess. 2:8; Rev. 19:20
 - Antichrist's Rise and Fall

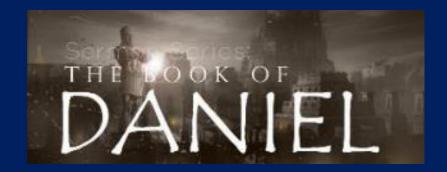
- V. 27
 - Rev. 11:15
 - The Millinnieum
 - Dan. 2:44-45
 - Six Kingdoms?
 - Our Focus Vs. Judah's Focus
 - Our Hope

6 Empires

- Babylon (2:36-38) 605-539 BC
- Media-Persia (2:39a) 539-331 BC
- Greece (2:39b) 331-63 BC
- Rome I (2:40) 63 BC 70 AD
- Rome II (2:41-43) Tribulation
- Kingdom (2:44-45) After 2nd Coming

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- 7:19
- Daniel's Heart for His People
- 8:27



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