

The Book of Daniel

Keeping Faith In Babylon

Handout #4a (Supplemental) Chapters 7-9

SURVEY OF THE BOOK OF DANIEL

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Chapter – 7

Chapter 7 – the Vision of the Four Beasts

I. The First Vision – 7:1-28

A. Setting

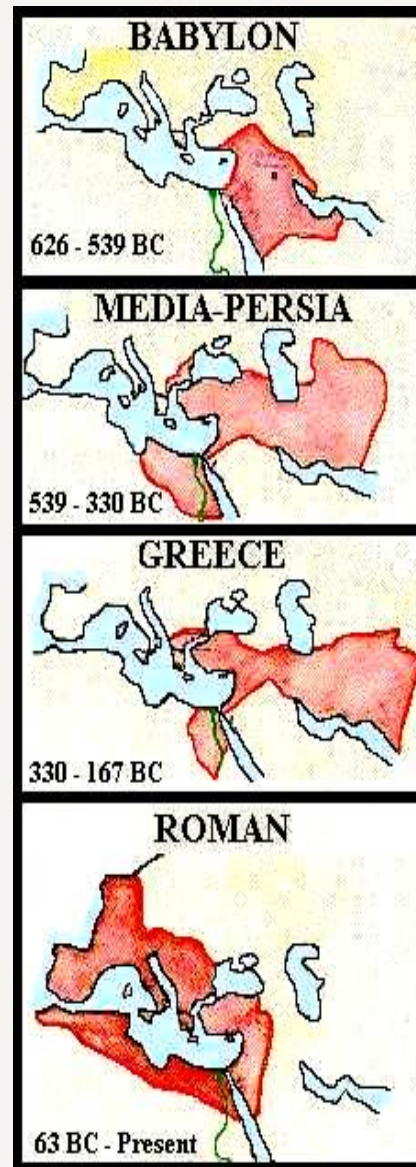
1. First Year of Reign of Belshazzar
2. Daniel only recorded main facts

B. The Information: What Daniel Saw– Winds Stirring the Great Sea and Beasts Emerging vs. 1-14

1. Lionlike Beast – 7:1-4; Babylon/Chaldeans ; power and strength
2. The Bearlike Beast – 7:5; Medo-Persians; strength and fierceness; three ribs in mouth – Egypt, Assyria, and Babylon
3. The Leopardlike Beast – 7:6; Greece; swift, cunning, and agile; four heads – Alexander the Great and four kingdoms after his death
4. The 10-Horned Beast – 7:7-8; Rome; Part Lion, Bear, and Leopard; 10 Horns – 10 kings/kingdoms; Little horn emerged and spoke blasphemy
5. The Ancient One – 7:9-12
 - a. Who it is (v. 9)
 - b. What happens (vs. 10-12)
 - a. Defeat of Beat
 - b. Judgement
6. The Son of Man/Pre-Incarnate Christ – 7:13-14
 - a. Who it is (v. 13)
 - b. What happens (v. 14)
 - a. He was given dominion, glory, and an eternal kingdom

C. The Interpretation – 7:15-28

1. The four beasts in general (vs. 15-18)
2. The four beasts in particular (vs. 19-28)



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Chapters 8

Chapter 8 -- Vision of A Ram and A Goat

II. The Second Vision – 8:1-27

A. The Setting – 8:1-2

1. The third year of Belshazzar
2. In Shushan, the citadel (palace), in the Province of Elam by the River Ulai

B. The Animals

1. A two-horned ram (vs. 1-4)
2. A one-horned male goat (vs. 5-8)
 1. The large horn, four horns and the little horn (vs. 9-12)
 2. The actions of the little horn

C. The Answers – 8:13-27

1. From a regular angel (vs. 13-14)
 - a. The question
 - b. The answer
2. From a ruling angel (vs. 15-27)
 - a. His identity (vs. 15-19)
 - b. His information (vs. 20-27)
 - 1) About the two-horned ram
 - 2) About the one-horned goat
 - 3) About the third creature

- Questions, Thoughts, Comments:



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Chapters 9

Chapter 9 -- Daniel's Prayer for the People

- I. The Occasion - 9:1-2
 - A. The First Year of Darius
 - B. Daniel discovers that the 70-year Babylonian captivity prophesied by Jeremiah is almost over
- II. The Prayer of Daniel – 9:3 - 19
 - A. Confession (vs. 3-14) – Israel's sin and suffering
 - B. Petition (vs. 15-19) – Request for forgiveness and restoration
- III. The Response of the Lord – 9:20-27
 - A. The mission of Gabriel (vs. 2—23)
 - B. The message of Gabriel (vs. 24 —27)
 1. The Program of the 70 “sevens” (v. 24)
 2. The divisions of the 70 “sevens” (vs. 25-27)

Questions, Thoughts, Comments



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Chapters 10-12 – The Final Vision

- I. The Conflict – 10:1-21
 - A. Daniel's vexation (vs. 1-4)
 - B. Daniel's visitation (vs. 5-21)
- II. A Chronology of Conquerors – 11:1-45
 - A. Four Persian Kings (vs. 1-2)
 - B. A Mighty King of Greece (vs. 3-4)
 - C. The Kings of Syria and Egypt (vs. 5-20)
 - D. An Evil Syrian King (vs. 21-35)
 - E. The Satanic, Self-Willed King (vs. 36-45)
- III. A Chronology of Closing Conditions – 12:1-13
 - A. The Description of The End Times (vs. 1-4)
 - B. The Duration of The End Times (vs. 5-13)

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Conclusion & Wrap-Up