

Daniel – Chapter 7



**The Final
Kingdom of
Antichrist**

&

**The Gospel of
the Kingdom of
God**

Daniel Overview

- Daniel receives a parallel vision to that of Chapter 2
- Daniel 7 was known by the scribes as the “Greatest Chapter in the Old Testament” and the most unique writing in human literature. Jesus and the Apostles reference this chapter many times.
- Chapter written in 541 BC (1st year of King Belshazzar – prior to chapter 5 – not in chronological order).
- The first 3 empires are barely mentioned (v.1-6). Most attention is given to the last kingdom in both its ancient and final aspects.
- The Gap between the beginning of the 4th empire and the final phase of it, is the church age, the mystery and is not shown to Daniel. (Rome was never destroyed).

Daniel Overview

Traditional Reading of Daniel 7

(in the order presented in Bible)

1. **Verses 1-8** - God tells us that He both knows and is in control of the plans of all future kingdoms (God is Sovereign)
2. **Verses 9-14** – Jesus Christ and the Kingdom of God will be the final eternal Kingdom
3. **Verses 15-28** – God describes the Antichrist, Christian persecution in the final days and God’s final Judgement on the man of Lawlessness and concludes with the hope of the eternal Kingdom of God again.

This Teaching of Daniel 7

(in Chronological Order)

- **Verses 1-8** - God tells us that He both knows and is in control of the plans of all future kingdoms (God is Sovereign)
- **Verses 17-27** – Detailed description of the final kingdom of the Gentiles - 4th Kingdom (10 Horns), Antichrist and persecution of the Saints.
- **Verses 9-14** – God judges the Antichrist, destroys and Jesus Christ (Son of Man) Returns, ushering in the eternal Kingdom of God for those who are saved (those who repented and put their trust in Jesus Christ).

The Dream – First 3 Kingdoms

Daniel 7:1-6

- In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel [a] had a dream and visions of his head *while* on his bed. Then he wrote down the dream, telling the main facts.
- ² Daniel spoke, saying, “I saw in my **vision** by night, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the Great **Sea**.³ And four great beasts came up from the sea, each different from the other. ⁴ The first *was like a lion*, and had eagle’s wings. I watched till its wings were plucked off; and it was lifted up from the earth and made to stand on two feet like a man, and a man’s heart was given to it.
- ⁵ “And suddenly another beast, a second, *like a bear*. It was raised up on one side, and *had three ribs* in its mouth between its teeth. And they said thus to it: ‘Arise, devour much flesh!’
- ⁶ “After this I looked, and there was another, *like a leopard*, which had on its back four wings of a bird. The beast also had four heads, and dominion was given to it.

Sea – the mass of humanity as defined in Rev. 17:15

1. Babylon
(Nebuchadnezzar)

2. Medo-Persia
(Darius)

(3 Ribs: Babylon, Egypt, Libya)

3. Greece
(Alexander the Great)
(4 Heads: 4 Generals)⁴

God's View of Gentile World Dominion

Today
Animals still
are symbols
of Nations

Britain = Lion
US = Eagle

Russia = Bear

Germany = Leopard

Daniel 2 - God's Revelation for Israel

Head of Gold

Breast and Arms
of Silver

Belly and Thighs
of Brass

Legs of Iron

Metals increase in strength
Metals decrease in value



Jesus

BABYLON

Absolute Monarchy
w/Monarch above law



MEDO-PERSIA

Monarch was not above
law and could not
change his own decrees



GREECE

Hellenistic kings had no
dynastic or royal right
to rule; ruled by force and
personal gifts



ROME

Republic degenerated into
mob rule merging with
Imperial form of government



Decrease in Character
of authority and rule

Increase in
Strength

REVIVED ROME (Future)

Daniel 7:1 – 1st Beast

The first was like a **lion**, and it had the **wings of an eagle**



Pergamon Museum
(Berlin) Archeological find
of the Gates - The Lion is
the symbol of Babylon,
and represents Ishtar, the
goddess of fertility, love
and war.



Statue at UN
Headquarters in New
York in 2021

Revelation 13:2.

"And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority."

4th Kingdom & Antichrist

Daniel 7:7-8

- 7 “After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, a **fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, exceedingly strong**. It had huge iron teeth; it was devouring, breaking in pieces, and trampling the residue with its feet. It *was* different from all the beasts that *were* before it, and it had **ten horns**.
- 8 I was considering the horns, and there was **another horn, a little one, coming up among them**, before whom three of the first horns were plucked out by the roots. And there, in this horn, *were* eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking **pompous words**.

4. Revived Roman Empire – the AntiChrist

New Info from Chapter 2 - 10
Horns are 10 Nations

11th Horn (little one) now arises – The Antichrist – Horn is symbol of animal's power

4th Kingdom & Antichrist

Daniel 7:17-20

- ¹⁷ ‘Those **great beasts**, which are four, **are four kings** which arise out of the earth. ¹⁸ But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever.’
- ¹⁹ “Then I wished to know the truth about the **fourth beast, which was different** from all the others, **exceedingly dreadful**, with its teeth of iron and its nails of bronze, which devoured, broke in pieces, and trampled the residue with its feet;
- ²⁰ and the **ten horns** that were on its head, and the **other horn** which came up, before which three fell, namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth **which spoke pompous words, whose appearance was greater than his fellows.**

1. Beasts are defined as Kings

2. Fourth Beast is the Antichrist

3. Antichrist will subdue 3 of the 10 nations, leaving 7 nations & it's leader

4th Kingdom & Antichrist

Daniel 7:21-24

- ²¹ “I was watching; and **the same horn was making war against the saints, and prevailing against them,** ²² until the Ancient of Days came, and a judgment was made *in favor* of the saints of the Most High, and the time came for the saints to possess the kingdom.
- ²³ “Thus he said: ‘The **fourth beast** shall be A fourth kingdom on earth, Which shall be different from all *other* kingdoms, And **shall devour the whole earth,** Trample it and break it in pieces.
- ²⁴ The **ten horns are ten kings** Who shall arise from this kingdom. **And another shall rise after them; He shall be different from the first ones, And shall subdue three kings.**

**Antichrist will
make war against
the saints**

**Antichrist will
control the
entire World**

**10 Horns are 10
Kings, to be
reduced to 7**

10 Horns = Future Prophecy

- “**Horn**” was used in ancient writing to symbolize a Animal’s **power** to kill
- The Bible describes the Antichrist extensively, dedicating 33 labels to him in the OT and 13 in the NT.
- Not in the history of the world has there been 10 nations amalgamated to rule the world.
- This is exactly the direction of the UN & EU Today
- Then a leader will arise to rule all 10 nations but will be opposed by 3 nations.
- Then this leader will crush and conquer 3 of these nations and become the World Emperor.
- So then, this is the first act in the drama of the End of the Age.

Daniel 2- 10 Toes



Daniel 7- 10 Horns



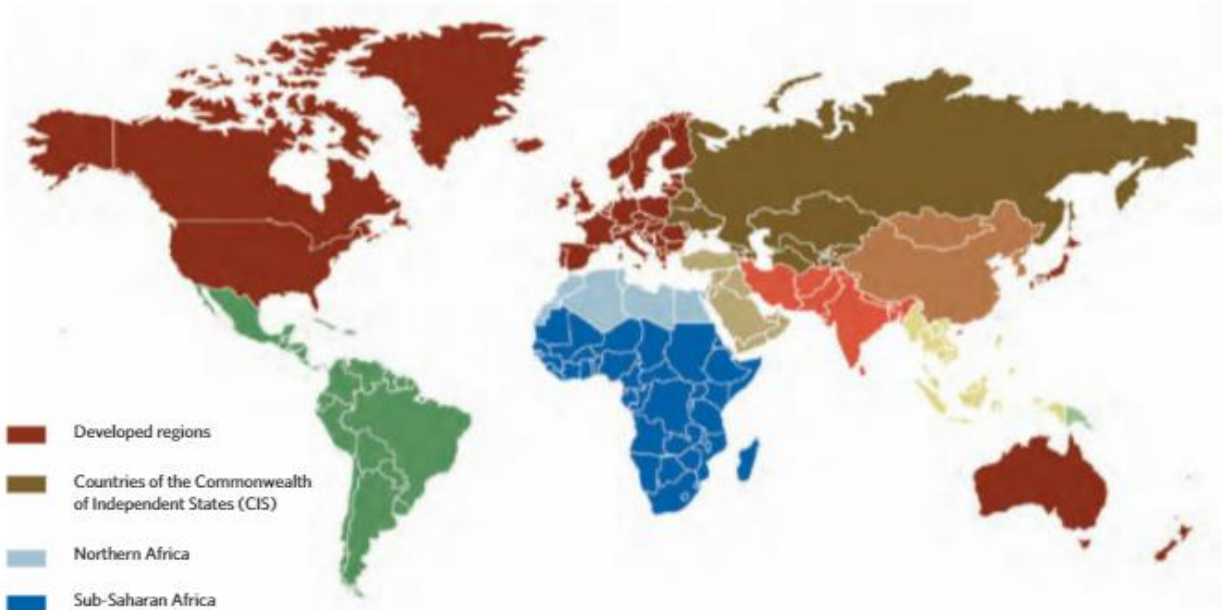
Revelation 13:1-2

Then I stood on the sand of the sea. And **I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and on his horns ten crowns, and on his heads a blasphemous name.** ² Now the beast which I saw was like a **leopard**, his feet were like *the feet of a bear*, and his mouth like the mouth of a **lion**. The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority.

Fulfillment of Daniel 10 Toes

Page 57 of UN Agenda 21 “Millennium Development 2009 Report”

Regional Groupings



- Developed regions
- Countries of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS)
- Northern Africa
- Sub-Saharan Africa
- South-Eastern Asia
- Oceania
- Eastern Asia
- Southern Asia
- Western Asia
- Latin America & the Caribbean

10 Regions reporting to one World Leader

This report presents data on progress towards the Millennium Development Goals for the world as a whole and for various country groupings. These are classified as ‘developing’ regions, the transition economies of the Commonwealth of Independent States (CIS) in Asia and Europe, and the ‘developed’ regions.¹ The developing regions are further broken down into the subregions shown on the map above. These regional groupings are based on United Nations geographical divisions, with some modifications necessary to create, to the extent possible, groups of countries for which a meaningful analysis can be carried out. A complete list of countries included in each region and subregion is available at mdgs.un.org.

¹ Since there is no established convention for the designation of ‘developed’ and ‘developing’ countries or areas in the United Nations system, this distinction is made for the purposes of statistical analysis only.

4th Kingdom & Antichrist

Daniel 7:25

- 25 He shall speak *pompous words* against the Most High,

Shall persecute the saints of the Most High,

And shall intend to change times and law.

Then *the saints* shall be given into his hand For a time and times and half a time

Antichrist will speak
blasphemes against God

Antichrist will
persecute the Saints

Antichrist will
Change the
Calendar & Laws

3.5 years is all the
Antichrist has

Christ Destroys the Antichrist

Daniel 7:26-27

- ²⁶ 'But the **court shall be seated**, And they shall take away his dominion, To consume and **destroy it forever**
- ²⁷ Then the kingdom and dominion, **And the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, Shall be given to the people, the saints of the Most High.** His kingdom *is* an **everlasting kingdom**, And all dominions shall serve and obey Him.'

Jesus Christ will judge and destroy the Kingdom of the Antichrist

Kingdom of God shall be given to the Saints

Davidic Covenant – an everlasting Kingdom

Christ Destroys the Antichrist

Daniel 7:9-10

Coronation of the King
Rev. 4:2-6 & Rev. 5

- ⁹ “I watched till **thrones** were put in place,
And the **Ancient of Days** was seated;
His garment *was* **white as snow**,
And the hair of His head *was* like **pure wool**.
His throne *was* a **fiery flame**,
Its wheels a **burning fire**;

Holiness

Wisdom

Righteous Judgement

- ¹⁰ A fiery stream issued
And came forth from before Him.
A thousand thousands ministered to Him;
Ten thousand times ten thousand stood before
Him.

**The court was seated,
And the books were opened.**

Court
Judgement

Christ Destroys the Antichrist

Daniel 7:11-12

- ¹¹ “Then I continued to watch because of the **boastful words** the horn was speaking.
- I kept looking until the **beast was slain and its body destroyed and thrown into the blazing fire.**
- ¹² (The other beasts had been stripped of their authority, but were allowed to live for a period of time.)

Antichrist blasphemes
God right until the end

War of
Armageddon &
Satan thrown
into Lake of Fire

The Gospel of Daniel 7

The Good New of the Kingdom to Come!

Daniel 7:13-14

¹³ “I was watching in the night visions,
And behold, **One like the Son of Man,
Coming with the clouds of heaven!**

He came to the Ancient of Days,
And they brought Him near before Him.

¹⁴ Then **to Him was given dominion and
glory and a kingdom,**

That all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve Him.

His dominion *is* an **everlasting dominion,
Which shall not pass away,**

And His kingdom *the one*

Which shall not be destroyed.

**Second Coming of
Jesus Christ on the
Clouds**

**Jesus Christ
reigns as King in
the Everlasting
Kingdom of God**

Son of Man

- **“Son of Man”** is a **title of Christ** first used in Daniel 7:13, and this is the most common title that Jesus used for Himself (used 78 times in the Gospels). It **combines both His Humanity and His Divinity** and is only used by Jesus.
- **CONTEXT is Critical** – the title is used in the **context of the Kingdom to come** – the everlasting Kingdom to God. Therefore, every time Jesus calls Himself the “Son of Man”, He is meaning that He is the One who was prophesied by Daniel to usher in the Kingdom of God and destroy Satan.
- Three of the four times Jesus was accused of blasphemy were directly related to His claim to be the Son of Man, indicating the people of that time clearly understood the Daniel connection that Jesus was making.
- Jesus usually combined Son of Man with other themes from Daniel 7 so we could recognize the context of the meaning and in Mark 13:14 He specifically commands readers to go to Daniel to understand the deeper meaning of His teaching on the End Times.

Son of Man

- Nearly the entire Old Testament was written in **Hebrew**.
- One exception is Daniel 2:4–Daniel 7:28 which was written in **Aramaic**.
- The entire New Testament was written in **Greek**.
- **Daniel 7:13 contains the only time in the Bible *son of man* was written in Aramaic** (,בראנש, *bar enasha*).
- This is very significant. When Jesus referred to Himself as the *Son of Man*, He spoke the Aramaic (the common language of His listeners) found only in Daniel 7.
- Since the Gospels were written in Greek, the translation was specific to leave no doubt that this was the unique phrase used only in Daniel 7.

Languages & Layout

Daniel 1	Daniel 2-7	Daniel 8-12
Hebrew	Aramaic (Language of the common man)	Hebrew
Daniel's no compromise stand	God's Plan for Gentile Nations "the times of the Gentiles" Luke 21:24	God's Plan for Israel & Believers

Aramaic was the common language, so it seems like this is serving a missional purpose by showing God's glory to the Gentile world.

Son of Man – Daniel 7:13

Daniel 7:13

“I was watching in the night visions,
And behold, **One like the Son of Man,**
Coming with the clouds of heaven!

He came to the Ancient of Days,
And they brought Him near before Him.

Daniel’s description of Jesus could literally be translated as,

“I saw one who looked human coming with the clouds in the heavens.”

Son of Man

Mark 13:24

²⁴ “But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light; ²⁵ the stars of heaven will fall, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶ Then they will see the **Son of Man coming in the clouds** with great power and glory. ²⁷ And then He will send His angels, and gather together His ^[h]elect from the four winds, from the farthest part of earth to the farthest part of heaven.

Mark 8:38

³⁸ For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the **Son of Man** also will be ashamed **when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels.”**

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Mark 14:61-62

Again the high priest asked Him, saying to Him, “**Are You the Christ, the Son of the Blessed?**”

⁶² **Jesus said, “I am. And you will see the Son of Man sitting at the right hand of the Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.”**

Satan is Currently the Ruler of this World

Matthew 4

- ⁸ Again, the devil took Him up on an exceedingly high mountain, and **showed Him all the kingdoms of the world** and their glory. ⁹ And he said to Him, “**All these things I will give You if You will fall down and worship me.**”
- ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to him, “Away with you, Satan! **For it is written, ‘You shall worship the LORD your God, and Him only you shall serve.’**”

Jesus did not dispute Satan’s claim to have ownership of the kingdoms of this world.

This is why the coming Kingdom of God upon the return of Christ is so important.

Summary Video

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LEhtOuHtTIU> – 3 minutes

Questions

1. Apart from this prophecy, can you think of any hope whatsoever for the world?
2. How can we use our knowledge of God's Word and current events to provide people with hope?
3. Are there times when the evangelist (you) must use the fear of God and coming wrath of God to wake up unbelievers to the dire situation they are in?
4. How much longer do you think it will take the satanic powers ruling the world to set up the Antichrist system?
5. Are you prepared to take up your cross and be persecuted unto death for resisting the next round of government requirements for injections or currency chips?
6. Why don't pastors or even most prophecy teachers prepare Christians of persecution, when the Bible speaks so clearly and repetitively on it? (Rapture doctrine)