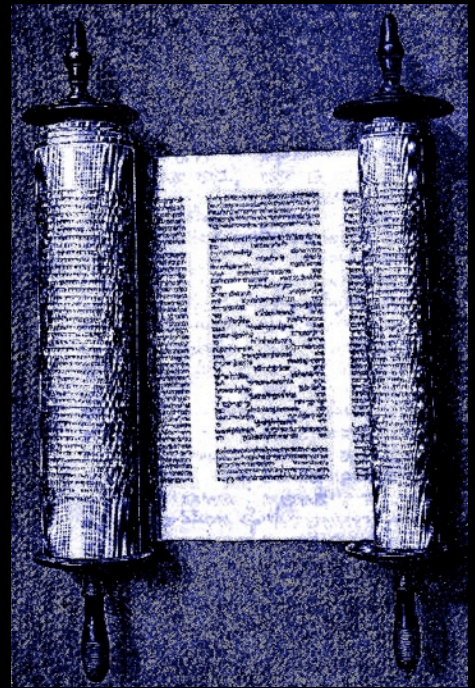


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Overview of Daniel

I. Daniel's Prophecy is Practical

- ▶ Introduction
- ▶ Practical
- ▶ Prophecy

II. The Times of the Gentiles

- ▶ King Nebuchadnezzar's Dream
- ▶ Daniel's Dream
- ▶ Daniel's Vision

III. The Seventy Weeks of Daniel

- ▶ Daniel: The prayer of a prophet (Daniel 9:3-19)
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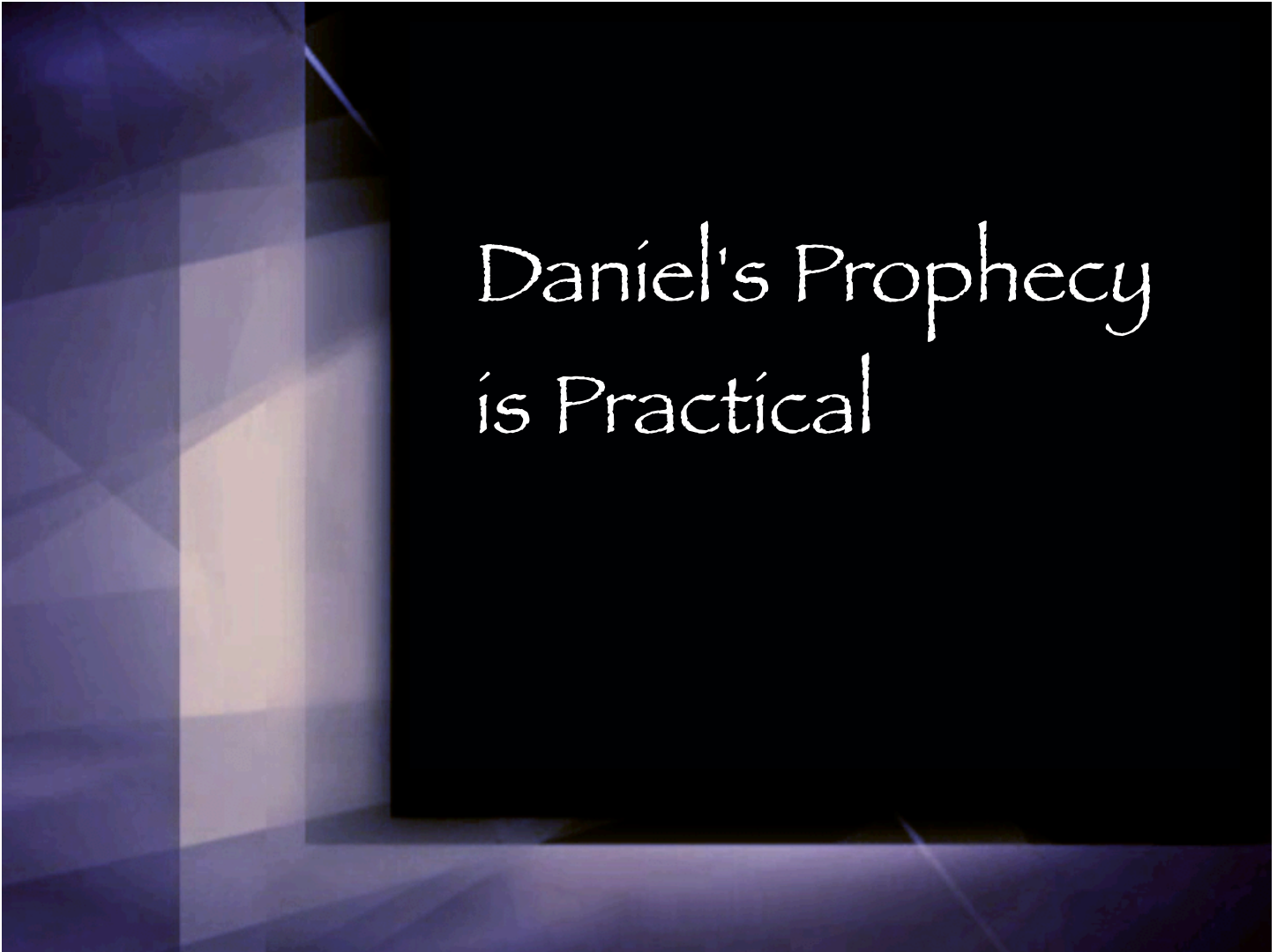
IV. Invasion from Outer Space

- ▶ Powerful prayer of the prophet
- ▶ Ambassador from above
- ▶ Diabolical desire of the devil

V. Alignment of Nations

- ▶ The time of Jacob's Trouble
- ▶ Chronicle of Christ-less kings
- ▶ Alignment of nations

Lesson One



There is a reason to study God's prophetic Word

When we walk with the Lord in the light of His Word, we have His protection in the midst of punishment and persecution. never compromise your Biblical convictions as you live a life filled with determined purpose and daily prayer.

Overview of Lesson One

I. Introductory Background

- *The three strands of the human family*
- *The three prophetic books*

II. Practical – Chapters 1-6

- *Purpose – Chapter 1*
- *Protection – Chapter 3*
- *Pride – Chapter 4*
- *Punishment – Chapter 5*
- *Prayer – Chapter 6*

III. Prophetic – Chapters 7-12

Follow Along Outline



No person can be members of two strands at the same time - just one.
Ephesians 2:14

Gentiles - the first people

In the first **2,000** years of human history there were only **Gentiles** upon the face of the earth.
Genesis 1-12

Ishamel - father of the Arab World?

No. Ishmael's mother was an **Egyptian** handmaiden. Her name is Hagar. It is difficult for Ishmael to be the father of the **Egyptian** people if his mother came from **Egypt**.

Most of the Arab world comes **before** Abraham was on the scene.

Only **two** peoples come from father Abraham in the Arab world.

- ▶ Ishmael became an **Arabian** in modern-day Saudi Arabia - *Genesis 25:18*
- ▶ **Esau** became Edom, believed to be the **Palestinian** people of today.

Origins of the Jewish People

In Genesis 12 is the call of **Abraham** out of the Ur of the Chaldees near present day Kuwait. His journey takes him over the fertile crescent, through **Syria** down into Canaan, Modern day **Israel**.

Three widely used names for the Children of Israel in use today have their origins recorded in God's Word:

Hebrew (First applied to Abram) - Genesis 14:13

Israel (First applied to Jacob) - Genesis 32:28

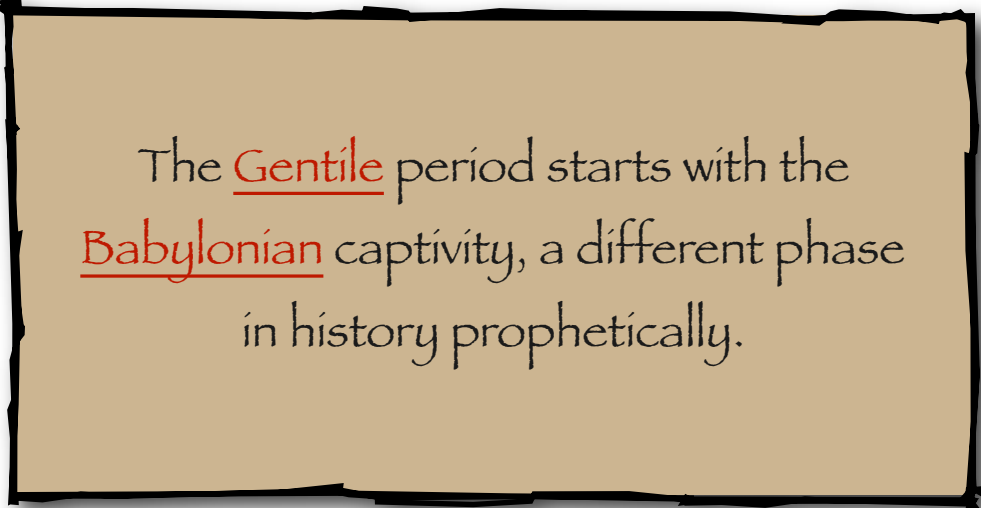
Jew (From the name of Judah) - II Kings 16:6

A summary of the three strands in human history from the Scriptures

- ▶ **Gentiles** only – Genesis 1-12
- ▶ **Gentiles** and **Jews** – Genesis 12 to Acts 2
- ▶ **Gentiles**, **Jews** and **Christians** – Acts 2 to Revelation 22

Three prophetic books for each of the strands of the human family.

- ▶ **Revelation** unfolds a timeline for the **Christian**.
- ▶ **Ezekiel** predicts the future for the **Jew**.
- ▶ **Daniel** focuses on God's plan for the **Gentiles**.



The **Gentile** period starts with the **Babylonian** captivity, a different phase in history prophetically.

The history leading up to the time of Daniel

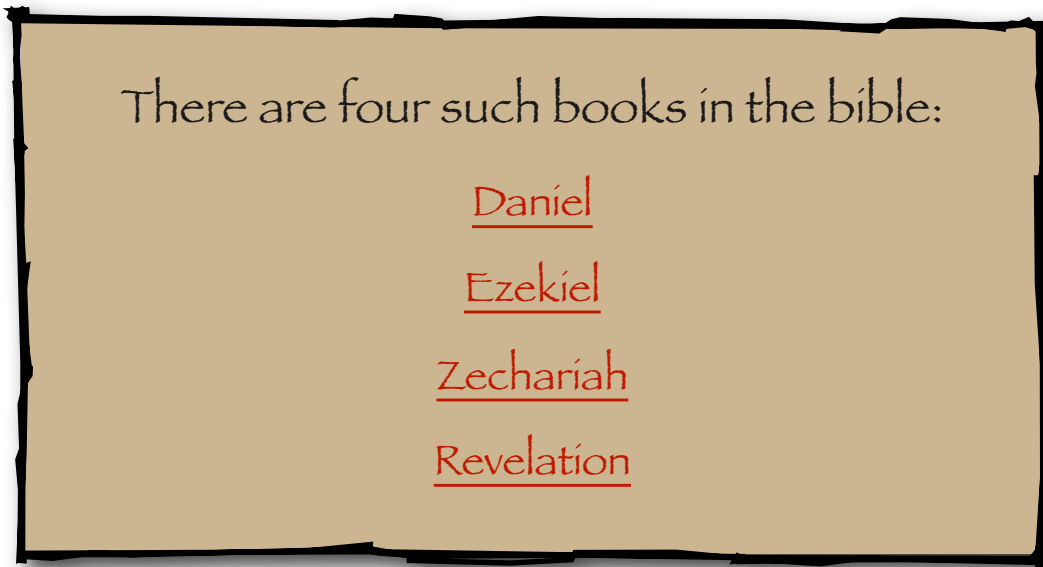
- ▶ The **Egyptians** were the ruling peoples of the world. They were defeated by the **Assyrians** headquartered in Nineveh.
- ▶ They in turn defeated the ten northern tribes of **Israel** in 722 BC.
- ▶ **Babylon**, located in modern day **Iraq** and refurbished today, went against Assyria (modern day **Syria**) and then drove the **Egyptians** south across the land bridge in between called **Israel**.
- ▶ Nebuchadnezzar took **hostages**, including **Daniel** and the three Hebrew children in 605 BC, **Ezekiel** and 10,000 Jews in 597 BC, and then in 586 BC wiped out Jerusalem and devastated the temple.

The human author of the book we call "Daniel"

- ▶ According to **Jesus** it is **Daniel**. - *Matthew 24:15*
 - **Jesus** confirms that **Daniel** is the author of 3 separate passages of that book.
 - Daniel 9:27; 11:31 and 12:11
- ▶ Chapter 11 speaks of five people that **Daniel** prophesied would come to power.

Daniel's literary style

Daniel is **apocalyptic** literature. It means to **unveil** or disclose, revealing that which is going to happen. That comes through the use of **signs** and **symbols**.



How is one the interpret such literature?

By **comparing** it with other such literature.

Example: To understand Revelation one must understand Ezekiel.

What two languages were used in writing Daniel?

- ▶ **Hebrew** – Daniel 1:1-2:4 and chapters 8-12 These are prophecies to the **Jews**.
- ▶ **Aramaic** – Daniel 2:4 to 7:28
 - These are prophecies to the **Gentiles**, written in the common language used for commerce, education and daily conversation.
 - In these passages, Daniel is speaking of the "the Times of the **Gentiles**". (*Compare Luke 21:24*)

The Key Phrase in Daniel:
The **Most High** God
(Note Daniel 4:17 -
Nebuchadnezzar's Pride vs. God)

Study the Chapters in this - chronological - order

1, 2, 3, 4

7, 8, 5, 6

9, 10, 11, 12

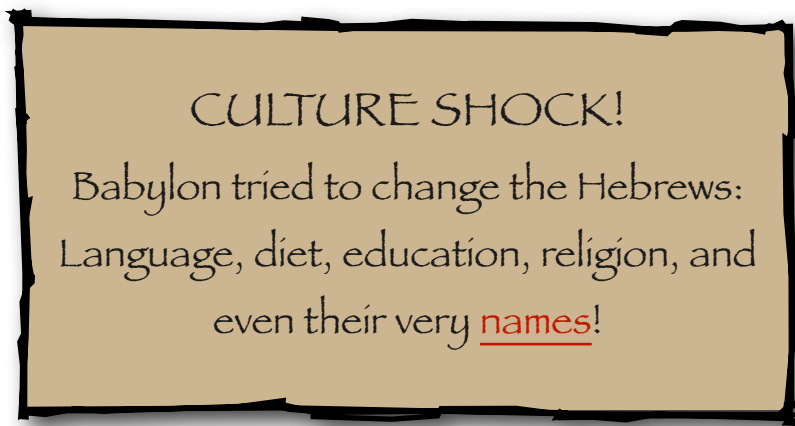
The book of Daniel is divided into two parts, and they must go together.

- ▶ **Practical** – Chapters 1-6
- ▶ **Prophetic** – Chapters 7-12

CHAPTER 1 – PURPOSE

What was Nebuchadnezzar's great sin?

He takes the **vessels** from the temple, the house of God, to the house of his god.



Young Daniel takes a stand - *Daniel 1:8*

He **purposed** in his **heart** that he would not **defile** himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank.

Young Daniel's creative diplomatic solution

A **ten** day kosher diet.

This diet resulted in God granting His four faithful followers attributes that were far better than the other captives - even better than all of the king's wise men. They were ten times better in:

- ▶ Appearance
- ▶ **Knowledge**
- ▶ Skill
- ▶ Learning
- ▶ Wisdom

CHAPTER 3 - PROTECTION

The stand of the three Hebrew children

They would not **serve** King Nebuchadnezzar's god nor **worship** the golden image that he had set up.

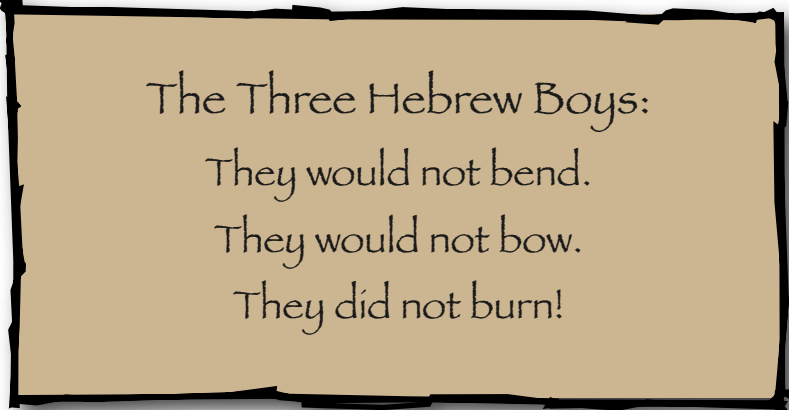
As a result, Nebuchadnezzar ordered the furnace heated **seven** times hotter than normal.

Daniel 3:19

They were to be **bound** by the most mighty men of Nebuchadnezzar's army and cast into the furnace.

Man cannot be more faithful than God!

- ▶ Those who threw the three Hebrew children into the fiery furnace were **burned** to **death**.
Daniel 3:22
- ▶ A **pre-incarnate** appearance of Jesus Christ occurred witnessed by the king. *Daniel 3:25*
- ▶ The three Hebrew children came out without even the **smell** of **smoke** on them. *Daniel 3:27*
- ▶ The king acknowledges the **power** of God and makes a new decree in God's favor. *Daniel 3:29*
- ▶ The three Hebrew children are **promoted** in Babylon. *Daniel 3:30*



The Three Hebrew Boys:
They would not bend.
They would not bow.
They did not burn!

CHAPTER 4 - PRIDE

The pride of Nebuchadnezzar expressed? *Daniel 4:30*

...*I have built...**my** power...**my** majesty.*

- ▶ Seven **palaces**
- ▶ Fourteen **temples**
- ▶ The hanging **gardens** in Babylon.

God humbles the mighty king - to the point of being more like an animal than a man - for **seven** years. - *Daniel 4:31 - 32*

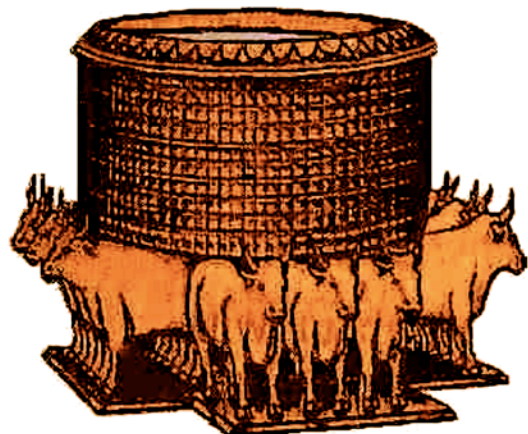
CHAPTER 5 – PUNISHMENT

The Party is Over.

It is now **70** years after the events described in the first chapter. Daniel is about **85** years old. **Belshazzar**, Nebuchadnezzar's grandson, is the king of Babylon.

In his arrogance, self-confidence, and pride, the king throws a party to celebrate himself. To hold the wine for his cronies, the king uses the implements of the Jewish **Temple**. God swiftly judges and punishes Belshazzar's sin, writing His ruling on the wall.

Mighty Babylon, an impregnable double-walled city with flowing water and a 20 day food supply falls to the **Medo-Persian** Empire in less than one night.



CHAPTER 6 – PRAYER

Elder Daniel takes a stand

- ▶ He was commanded not to **pray** for 30 days. - *Daniel 6:7,9*
- ▶ Daniel **prayed** "as he did **aforetime**". - *Daniel 6:10*
- ▶ As a result, he is cast into the lions' den
- ▶ God is faithful to protect Daniel by shutting the mouths of the lions.



CONCLUSION

Every prophet in God's Word was a man of convicting faith and prayer. Prophecy is so practical. It gives us purpose in life. It protects us from the punishment that can harm us. It keeps us from pride. It drives us to prayer.

- ▶ In his youth Daniel did not compromise his diet. *Daniel 1:8*

- ▶ In his old age Daniel did not compromise his devotions. *Daniel 6:10*

Think About This!

1. What are the three strands of the human family?
2. What stand did the three Hebrew children take? Who stood with them?
3. What is the most important phrase in the book of Daniel? Why?
4. What was King Nebuchadnezzar's great sin? What was its result?
5. What stand did Daniel take in his old age? What was the result?

Lesson Two



The Kingdoms of this World come and go, but...

The Kingdom of the God of heaven shall never be destroyed. It will stand forever. In the light of Daniel's prophecy, one must realize how close we are to the Rapture of the Church.

Overview of Lesson Two

I. Nebuchadnezzar's Dream – Chapter 2:31-45

- *A Great Statue*
- *A Great Stone*
- *Its Interpretation*

II. Daniel's Dream – Chapter 7

- *Four Beasts*
- *Four Kingdoms*
- *Four Representatives*

III. Daniel's Vision – Chapter 8

- *A Ram*
- *A Goat*

Follow Along Outline

NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S DREAM – An Earthly View – Chapter 2

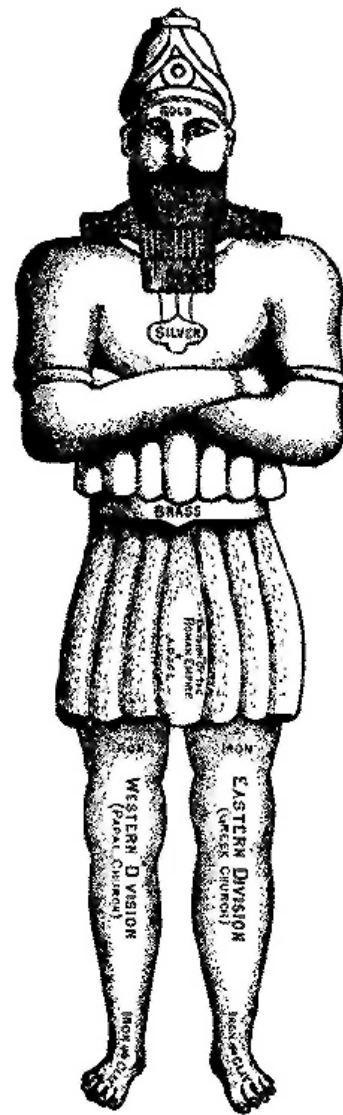
King Nebuchadnezzar had a troubling **dream**, and demanded that his wise men, (including Daniel and the three Hebrews), both describe and interpret it. Failure would result in death.

This called for a **prayer** meeting (*Daniel 2:18*) requesting that Daniel and his fellows should not **perish** with the rest of the wise men of Babylon.

THE DREAM (Daniel 2:31-35)

In his dream the king saw a great **statue**.

- ▶ The head was of fine **gold**.
- ▶ Its breast and arms were of **silver**.
- ▶ Its belly and thighs were of **brass**.
- ▶ Its legs were of **iron**.
- ▶ Its feet were part **iron** and part **clay**.



The king also saw a great **stone** struck the feet of the statue. The feet shattered and the whole statue crumbled and was carried away by the wind. The **stone** that smote the statue became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.

THE INTERPRETATION - *Daniel 2:36-45*

King Nebuchadnezzar is told that the **God** of heaven had given him *a kingdom, power and strength and glory*. - *Daniel 2:37, 4:17*

Daniel begins to lay out before Nebuchadnezzar a **timeline** looking into the future for the Gentile world powers by telling him, *Thou art this head of gold*. - *Daniel 2:38*

The **Times** of the **Gentiles** began with the Babylonian captivity of the Jewish people.

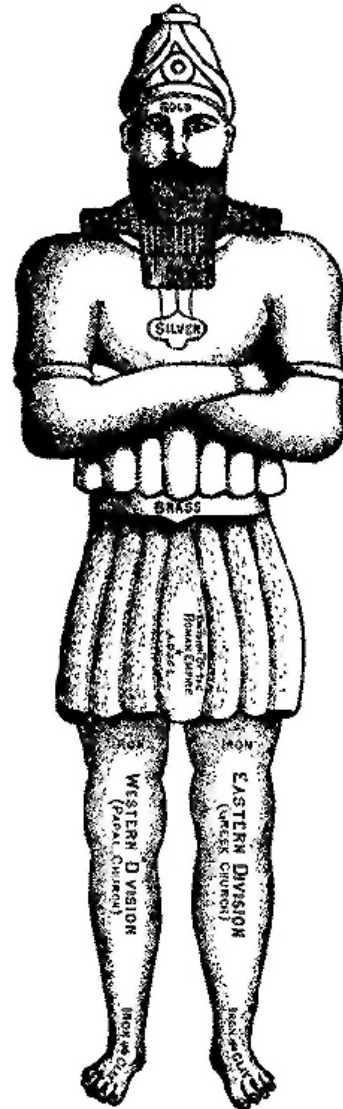
▶ The **Babylonian** Empire - *Daniel 2:38*

▶ The **Medo-Persian** Empire - *Daniel 2:39*

▶ The **Grecian** Empire

▶ Two Divisions of the **Roman** Empire - *Daniel 2:40*

▶ A confederation of ten units forming the revival of the fourth kingdom - *Daniel 2:41-43*



The God of heaven will set up a **kingdom** that shall never be destroyed. - *Daniel 2:44,45*

The stone cut of the mountain without hands would be **Jesus Christ** and His kingdom to bring an end to the Gentile world powers at the end of the Tribulation period.

DANIEL'S DREAM – A Heavenly View – Chapter 7

Belshazzar, grandson of Nebuchadnezzar, has come to power. And Daniel has a dream of four **beasts** coming up out of the sea.

- ▶ First Beast - *Daniel 7:4*
 - A **lion** with eagle's wings.
 - The **Babylonian** Empire whose main symbol was a winged **lion**.
- ▶ Second Beast - *Daniel 7:5*
 - A **bear** raised up on one side with three ribs in its mouth.
 - The **Medo-Persian** Empire.
 - The three ribs possibly represent the Egyptian, Assyrian and Babylonian Empires.
 - Leaning on one side because the Medes were stronger than the **Persians**.
- ▶ Third Beast - *Daniel 7:6*
 - A **leopard** with four heads and four wings.
 - The **Grecian** Empire
 - Swift and flying leopard - by age 32 **Alexander** the Great had come to power over the entire world.
 - Four Heads - **Alexander** died shortly thereafter and his kingdom was divided into four parts.
- ▶ Fourth Beast - *Daniel 7:7*
 - *Dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth...and it had ten horns...*
 - The **Roman** Empire
 - One horn becomes superior of all the horns, the leader of the original **Roman** Empire, the Revived **Roman** Empire and the little horn being the Antichrist.

DANIEL'S VISION – Chapter 8

- ▶ During the third year of the reign of King Belshazzar, Daniel was in Shushan, the capital of the **Medo-Persian** Empire. It was there that Daniel was given a vision from God.

- Daniel saw a ram that had two horns, One higher than the other. This is the **Medo-Persian** Empire. - *Daniel 8:3, 4, & 20*

- A goat came up and smote the ram. This is the **Grecian** Empire. - *Daniel 8:21 - 22*

- The horn between the eyes of the goat is broken, and four notable horns come out.

- The description of the fourth kingdom matches the **Roman** Empire.

- The ten horns are ten **kings** and another shall rise after them – the **antichrist**. - *Daniel 8:24*

EFFORTS TO REVIVE THE ROMAN EMPIRE

- 800 A.D. - CHARLEMAGNE NAMED "THE EMPEROR OF ROME."
- 962 A.D. - OTTO I ESTABLISHES THE "HOLY ROMAN EMPIRE."
- 1806 A.D. - NAPOLEON PROCLAIMS HIMSELF THE EMPEROR OF ROME. HE IS FOLLOWED BY BISMARCK, THE GERMAN IRON RULER, WILHELM I, AND HITLER.
- 1920S - WINSTON CHURCHILL SAID THERE MUST BE A "UNITED STATES OF EUROPE."
- 1921 - MUSSOLINI PROCLAIMS HIMSELF AS RULER OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE.
- 1936 - MUSSOLINI CAPTURES ETHIOPIA. HITLER SAYS MUSSOLINI HAS ESTABLISHED THE REVIVED ROMAN EMPIRE.
- 1957 - LEADERS OF SIX EUROPEAN COUNTRIES ESTABLISHED THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITY IN ROME.
- 21ST CENTURY - THE EUROPEAN UNION HAS A POLITICAL, ECONOMIC, AND MILITARY UNITY THROUGHOUT EUROPE. THIS MIRRORS THE STABILITY ROME GAVE TO THE SAME REGION.

CONCLUSION

ONE TRUTH Given by ONE GOD to TWO MEN through TWO DREAMS

Dream of Nebuchadnezzar	Gentile Power	Dream of Daniel
Head of Gold	Babylonian Empire	Lion with Eagle's Wings
Chest and Arms of Silver	Medo-Persian Empire	Bear with 3 Ribs in its Mouth
Waist and Thighs of Bronze	Greek Empire	Leopard with 4 Heads and 4 Wings
Legs of Iron	Roman Empire	Dreadful Beast with 10 Horns
Feet of Iron and Clay	Revived Roman Empire	The Little Horn

The Gentile Powers have and will come and go, but in the End Times, they will all be laid waste when the Jewish Messiah, the Prince of Peace, the King of kings and Lord of lords returns to set up His eternal kingdom.

Think About This!

1. What were the sections of the image in Nebuchadnezzar's dream?
2. What were the creatures in Daniel's dream?
3. What were the creatures in Daniel's vision?
4. What one truth were these three messages from God teaching?

Lesson Three



Prophecy is Practical

The practical aspect of prophecy draws one to prayer, confession and supplication for forgiveness and restoration, and then to live purely and productively.

Overview of Lesson Three

I. Daniel: The prayer of a prophet - *Daniel 9:3-19*

- *Its prompting*
- *Its promise*
- *Its plea*
- *Its product*

II. Gabriel: The announcement of an angel - *Daniel 9:20-27*

- *God's special plan*
- *God's special people*
- *God's special place*

III. The 70th week of Daniel

- *A tyrant*
- *A treaty*
- *A temple*

Follow Along Outline

Daniel – the prayer of a prophet - *Daniel 9:1-19*

- ▶ The prompting of the prayer, in the first year of Persian rule under Darius, Daniel came to an understanding of **Jeremiah's** prophecy in 25:11 and 29:10.
 - The Jews are going to return to Israel after **70** years in the Babylonian captivity.
 - Daniel is able to determine where he is in God's time simply by **reading** God's Word.
 - Determine where you are in God's time by **reading** God's Word.
- ▶ The promise of the prayer came from God based on God's **mercy** - *Daniel 9:4, 9, & 18*

Daniel prayed when he knew where he was in God's timetable.

Prayer doesn't change **things**. It changes **me**.

God conforms **me** to His will.

- ▶ The plea of the prayer was that of confession and intercession.
 1. That God would bring them out of **Babylon**.
 2. That God would **forgive**.
 - **Confession** in Daniel's prayer was for his personal sins and the sins of his nation.
 3. That God would allow the **Temple** to be built in Jerusalem.
- ▶ The product of the prayer was:
 - ▶ The **prophecy** of the angel Gabriel
 - ▶ The **commendation** of God - *not one word condemning Daniel is recorded in the Bible*

Gabriel – the prophecy of an angel - *Daniel 9:20-27*

- ▶ The prophecy unfolds a special plan for a special people in a special place.
 - The special people are the nation of **Israel**.
 - The special place is the holy city, **Jerusalem** - *Daniel 9:24*
- ▶ The term "*seventy weeks*" is 490 years - *Daniel 9:24*
- ▶ The special plan is to restore God's special people.
 - There are six steps to this plan, three negative and three positive:

Negative

1. Get rid of their rebellion.
2. Get rid of their sins.
3. Make reconciliation for their iniquity.

Positive

1. Bring them everlasting righteousness.
2. Seal up the vision and prophecy.
3. Anoint the most Holy.

To see what God is doing, look at two things:

- The Jewish people
- The city of Jerusalem.

After the Rapture - Before the Tribulation - Three things must be set in place

1. *Tyrant* - the Antichrist

- ▶ The "*prince that shall come*" in *Daniel 9:26* is the **Antichrist**. (The Messiah would arrive in Jerusalem 69 Weeks or 483 years after the command to go back and rebuild the city.)
- ▶ In *Daniel 9:27* the "*he*" refers to **Antichrist**, the individual who is going to confirm a peace agreement with many for one week
- ▶ Those ten horns of *Daniel 7:7* must develop into the Revived **Roman** Empire. (*Revelation 13:1*) The Antichrist is going to be a Gentile coming out of the Gentile world powers.
- ▶ Out of those ten horns comes the **little** horn. The Antichrist must appear.
- ▶ How in the world will the Jews accept a **Gentile** as their Messiah? Why haven't they accepted Jesus as their Messiah?
 - II Thessalonians 2:8. *God shall send them [those who reject the truth] strong delusion that they should believe a lie*, and they accept a Gentile messiah, a false messiah, the Antichrist.
- ▶ Satan empowers the Antichrist with: - *Revelation 13:2*
 - *his power*
 - *his seat*
 - *great authority*

2. **Treaty** - Confirmed, not signed

- ▶ *Daniel 9:27* He shall **confirm** the covenant with many for one week. The Hebrew word "Gabar" means to confirm, to **strengthen**, not to sign. To do this you must have a treaty on the table and not working.
- ▶ Consider the Camp David Accord and the Oslo Accords. Many multitudes of both Jews and Palestinians have been **killed** since the Oslo accords were signed, a definite sign that the treaties are not working.
- ▶ The confirmation of the peace agreement starts the clock ticking on that seven year **Tribulation** period.

3. **Temple** - The next Jewish Temple to be built on the Temple Mount

- ▶ A Jewish rabbi in Jerusalem has a computer with the names of every male Jew who is qualified to be a priest. **28,000** are needed to serve because, as the rabbi says "we are going to build a Temple." The priestly garments and implements are already made.
- ▶ The first ten string **harp** made in 2,000 years in Jerusalem brought tears to another rabbi, and he said, "When a ten string **harp** shows up, it is the time for the coming of Messiah."

CONCLUSION

The 70th week of Daniel requires a tyrant. It is believed he, the Antichrist, is alive on the earth today. It requires a treaty confirmed by him and a temple ready to be rebuilt. These three things happen in this seven year period. Before that the archangel shouts. The trumpet of God sounds, and WE ARE OUT OF HERE!

Regarding prophecy – We need to know today what is going to happen tomorrow so that the decisions we make today will be in line with God’s perfect plan for tomorrow.

Regarding prayer – It doesn’t change things. It changes me to conform to God’s will. It did for Daniel. It did for Jesus. It will for me when I pray.

Think About This!

1. What is the purpose of prayer - what does prayer change?
2. In what ways was Daniel's prayer answered?
3. Does Israel or the Middle East need to have another peace treaty signed before the Antichrist can take control? Why or why not?

Lesson Four



They came from the skies

Satan is dispatching his evil angels upon this world from the first heaven to wipe out Israel and Christians. They are the foe in our spiritual warfare, mighty powerful, but not omnipotent, omniscient or omnipresent.

Overview of Lesson Four

I. Powerful prayer of the prophet

II. Ambassador from above

- *The description of the heavenly visitor - Daniel 10:5-9*
- *The declaration of the heavenly visitor - Daniel 10:10-17*
- *The duty of the heavenly visitor - Daniel 10:18,19*
- *The determination of the heavenly visitor - Daniel 10:20,21*

III. Diabolical desire of the Devil

- *The Origin of Satan*
- *Satan's schemes throughout history*

Follow Along Outline

Powerful Prayer of the Prophet

- ▶ Daniel is found **praying** and fasting for **three** weeks before the Lord. - *Daniel 10:1-3*
- ▶ Prophecy again drove him to **prayer**.

Ambassador from above

- ▶ The description of the heavenly visitor - *Daniel 10:5-9*
 - It is believed by some that this heavenly visitor was a pre-incarnate appearance of **Jesus Christ**.
 - Christ also appeared to Abraham, Moses, Jacob, Ezekiel and here to Daniel.

Study Bible prophecy by setting your heart to understand where
you are in God's time
Respond to Bible prophecy by chastening yourself before God.
- Daniel 10:12

- ▶ The declaration of the heavenly visitor - *Daniel 10:10-17*
 - He is hindered or kept from Daniel for three weeks by *the prince of the kingdom of Persia*. - *Daniel 10:13*
 - This prince of Persia is not only a human **national** leader, but one embodied by an evil angelic being.
- ▶ The duty of the heavenly visitor - *Daniel 10:18-19*
 - To calm and strengthen Daniel's fear and bring him **peace**.
- ▶ The determination of the heavenly visitor - *Daniel 10:20*
 - He battles with the prince of Persia again and then with the prince of Greece.
 - The price of Greece is Antiochus Epiphanes

Origin of Satan

First, he was an angel of God. Job 38:4 - 7 gives us the first clue as to **when** angels were created.

- ▶ God created angels some time between His act of creating the **heavens** in Genesis 1:1 and the earth in Genesis 1:1
 - Angels were there to sing joyful praise to God for the beauty of the **earth** He had just created.
 - God created the angels for the purpose of **serving** Him.
- ▶ Angels did not fall during the **six** days of creation, since everything was good on the seventh day - *Genesis 1:31*.
 - At some point between Genesis 1:31 and Genesis 3:1 One **third** of the angels fell and became evil angels.
 - A **demon** is actually an evil angel living in a human body.
 - In Genesis 3:1 **Satan** is on the scene.
- ▶ Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 28 deal with the fall of angels.
 - ▶ **Lucifer** was his name when he was created.
 - ▶ **Satan** became his name when he fell.
- ▶ God cast Satan out of the third heaven and into the first heaven. - *Ephesians 6:12*

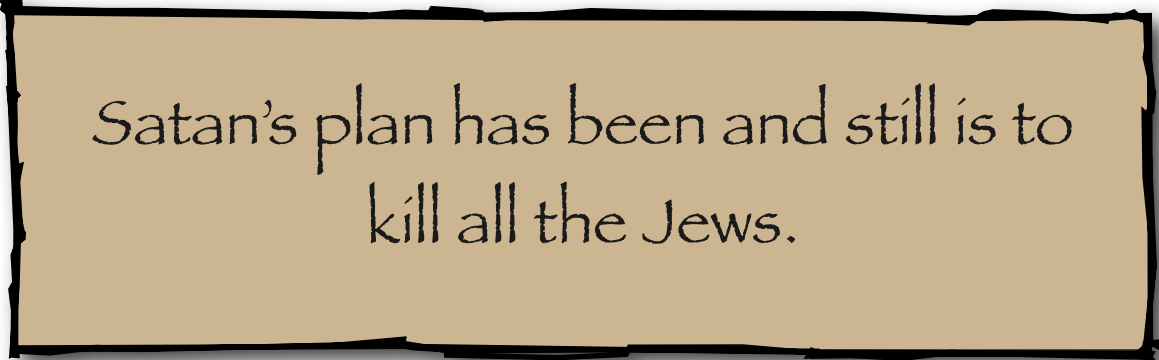
The diabolical desire of the Devil

Satan's plan is to **ruin** God's plan.

- ▶ God's plan was to one day bring forth a Messiah. - *Genesis 3:15*
- ▶ And He promises to do that through the Jewish people. - *Genesis 12:3*

Satan wants to kill the Jews and thus prevent God from fulfilling His promises, including those concerning the Messiah, Jesus Christ.

- ▶ In the book of Esther, Haman, Prime Minister of the **Persian** Empire, makes a deal with King Ahasueras to kill all the Jews on the face of the earth.
- ▶ Satan dispatched an evil angel into the body of Haman, the prince of Persia, who was demonically possessed or controlled to do what he did.
- ▶ The prince of Greece, Daniel 11, Antiochus Epiphanes, leader of the northern part of Greece, enters Jerusalem, goes to the temple, takes a pig, pulls his dagger down its belly and throws the innards on the altar, thus desecrating the temple.



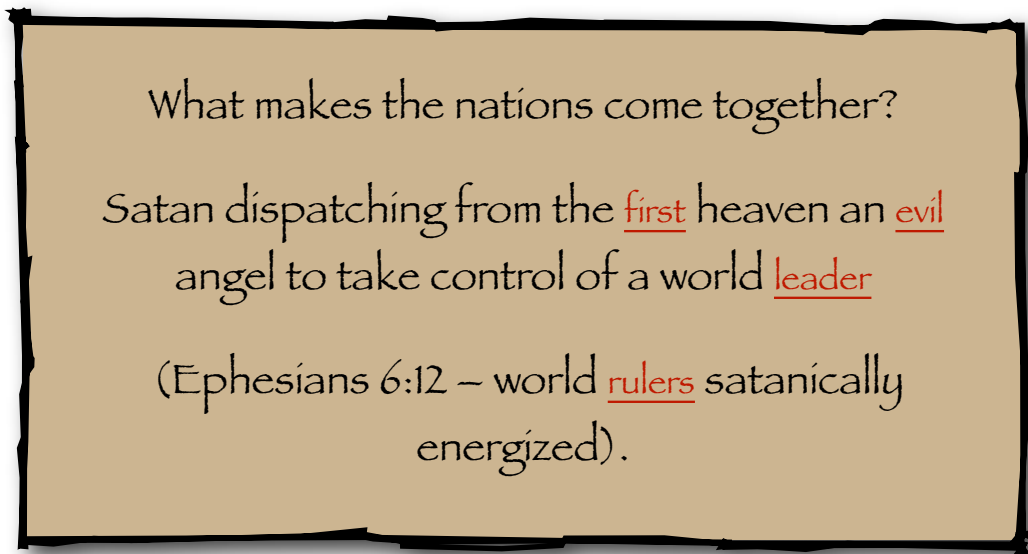
Satan's plan has been and still is to
kill all the Jews.

The prince of Persia, the prince of Greece, Herod the Great at the time of Jesus' birth, Adolf Hitler's World War II Holocaust, Yassar Arafat - are all examples of Satan's murderous plan in action.

Islam's Inception

Islam started in the sixth century by **Mohammed** in Mecca, which was the headquarters of idol worship of the world, the occult, demonism and witchcraft.

- ▶ Mohammed starts to worship a god, **Allah**. It is not the true God in another name. It is the moon god, the crescent moon being the symbol of the Islamic faith, something with which no one can co-exist.
- ▶ Islam is the fastest growing religion in the world (even in the United States), now claiming 25% of the world's population. The Koran is not a holy book. It calls for violence, the demise of all unbelievers (Jews and Christians).



- ▶ The evidences of the coming of the end is deception. - *Matthew 24:4-5, 11, & 24*
- ▶ II Corinthians 11:13-15 speaks of false apostles, deceitful workers, Satan transformed into an **angel of light**, making great inroads even in the church.

CONCLUSION

We must understand where we are, go to prayer as Daniel did and put on the whole armor of God every day so we can withstand the spiritual invasion upon us from outer space.

Satan trembles when he sees the weakest saint upon his knees. - William Cowper

Satan is not afraid of us, but he is desperately afraid of the Holy Spirit. That is why we can only wage our warfare in the power of His might. Ephesians 6:10

Think About This!

1. What is the next main event in God's prophetic time table? What has to happen before that event is able to occur?
2. Where do evil angels come from?
3. What will bring the nations together in the End Times?

Lesson Five



Not even evil rulers can get in the way of God's Eternal Plan

The world stage is set for the time of the end, and the alignment of the nations is in place. So believers should get their hearts right, live purely and work productively for the Lord, and unbelievers should make certain they are prepared to meet God.

Overview of Lesson Five

I. The time of Jacob's Trouble

- *A time, times, and an half*

II. Chronicle of Christ-less kings

- *Ahasueras – Persia*
- *Alexander the Great – Greece*
- *Antiochus the Great*
- *Antiochus Epiphanes*
- *Antichrist*

III. Alignment of nations

Follow Along Outline

The time of Jacob's trouble

- ▶ In the **second** half of the Tribulation there will be terrible judgments upon the earth
 - The **trumpet** judgments
 - The **vial** judgments.
 - Persecution of the most high saints will be intense.
 - Knowledge of **salvation** and through Jesus Christ will increase.
 - God will protect the Jewish people in **Petra** during this time of judgment.

...a time of trouble, such as never was since there
was a nation...

at that time thy people shall be delivered, every
one that shall be found written in the book.

"A time, times, and an half" - Daniel 12:7

- ▶ This equals 3.5 years - that is the last half of the Tribulation period.

- ▶ It refers to the time of Jacob's trouble, also called the Great Tribulation.

- ▶ These are Jewish years, which are 360 days.
 - 1260 days

 - 42 months.

A Time (1 Year)
Times (2 Years)
and an half (half a Year)

Chronicle of Christ-less kings

- ▶ The heavenly visitor describes five personalities to Daniel. Here is where we have the alignment of the nations. In Ezekiel 5:5 we see that God placed Jerusalem "*in the midst of the nations and countries that are round about her.*"

- ▶ Ahasueras, king of **Persia**. - *Daniel 11:2 and Esther 1:1*
 - He controlled from India all the way to Spain.

- ▶ Alexander the Great, king of **Greece**. - *Daniel 11:3*.
 - He is that leopard with four wings and four heads, the belly of brass.
 - Verses 5 and 6 speak of the king of the south and king of the north, (all direction is based from the city of Jerusalem). **Egypt** and **Syria**.

- ▶ Antiochus the Great - *Daniel 11:10-20*

- ▶ Antiochus Epiphanes – a cruel, Jew hating Syrian king who desecrated the temple in **Jerusalem** - *Daniel 11:21-35, Matthew 24:15*

- ▶ Antichrist – *Daniel 11:36-45*
 - He will do according to his will, exalt himself, magnify himself above every god, and rule and prosper - *Daniel 11:36-37*

 - Lusts after power, riches, and pleasure. - *Daniel 11:38*

Alignment of Nations - *Daniel 11:40-45*

- ▶ Antichrist will defend Israel by defeating Syria, and Egypt - *Daniel 11:40-41*
- ▶ From 36 - 45 the words "he", "him", and "his" refer to Antichrist
- ▶ Who escapes his harm? Edom, Moab and Ammon, Three Biblical names for modern day Jordan. The location of **Petra**.
- ▶ Ethiopia and Libya are at his heels - *Daniel 11:42-43*
- ▶ Tidings from the east and north trouble him - *Daniel 11:44*
- ▶ In Ezekiel 38:5, 6 we find Ethiopia, Libya, Russia, modern day Turkey and Persia (modern day Iran).
- ▶ Israel is attacked from all directions, north, east, south, and west.
- ▶ These nations are ready to attack Israel, today.
- ▶ This will happen when Israel least suspects it - when they dwell safely in the "*land of unwalled villages*" - *Ezekiel 38:8, 11* During the first 3.5 years of the Tribulation
- ▶ Antichrist defends Israel, but it is Jesus Christ who truly protects them, Antichrist takes the credit.
- ▶ Antichrist then commands the Jews to rebuild their Temple. - *Daniel 11:45*

CONCLUSION

We should use the truth that we gained from God's prophetic word to determine where we are in God's timeline of events, as Daniel did in Daniel 9:2.

As we anticipate the coming of Christ, may we make certain we are prepared to meet God, living pure and working productively until Christ does come.

Take the Word of God as my dear friends study it, allow it to challenge the people of God knowing better the plan of God to be willing to move into the will of God for the Glory of God.

Let's keep looking up...Until!

Think About This!

1. What is meant by the phrase “the time of Jacob’s trouble”?
2. Who are two of the five Christ-less kings?
3. Whom does the "he" refer to in Daniel 11:36-45?
4. What are some of the nations that will align themselves against Israel in the Last Days?
5. Who orders the rebuilding of the next Jewish Temple?

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