Daniel 2

Daniel 7

Daniel 8

No image for Babylon: it was about to fall, however, Babylon is mentioned in verse 1 as to when Daniel was given the vision.



Medes (Darius) initially were stronger, but then Persia (Cyrus) became the stronger power; which is reflected in the height of the horns just as the bear was lifted up on one side. Cyrus was an uncle to Darius, after Darius death, the kingdom became known as Persia. He magnified himself.



Babylon

605-539 BC →

Dan. 8:21

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Alexander the Great conquered Persia and beyond. At his zenith, he died. Out of the broken horn came up four more horns, the kingdom was divided. <u>Initially</u>, it was divided under these four generals: Lysimachus (N), Seleucus (E), Cassander (W), and Ptolemy (S). He magnified himself exceedingly.

Rome

*Pagan: 168 BC-476AD Pagan Rome falls & divides

100 DC-470 AD

Papal: 476-end of time eet/Toes of iron & miry clay

In 351 AD Rome begins to fall apart. In the 4th century, Constantine moved the seat of the Empire to Constantinople, leaving the seat in the west vacant.

Western

In 476AD, Romulus Augustulus was deposed...last emperor of the west. This allowed the Bishop of Rome

(Pope) to occupy the vacant seat. So, the Caesar's throne became the throne of the pope.

By 476AD, Rome is split into 10 kingdoms. The 10 toes (Dan 2) & 10 horns (Dan &) symbolize fallen, divided Romam Empire. These are the political kingdoms that rise from the Roman Empire:

Alemanni (Germany)

Franks (France)

Eastern

Burgundians (Switzerland)

Suevi (Portugal)

Visigoths (Spain)

Anglo-Saxons (Great Britian-England) Lombards (Italy)

- *Heruli (plucked up 493)
- *Vandals (plucked up 534)
- *Ostrogoths (538 receives a fatal blow and shortly after is plucked up)

*These were Arian, believing Christ was a created being. This was contrary to the teaching of the Church. The Papacy (little horn) used its influence & through the military might of the divided kingdom they were plucked up. When the Ostrogoths received its blow in 538, the Papacy removed its last antagonist.

In 538AD, Papal rule commences by Justinian Decree, and the papacy became the corrector of heretics and ruler of all churches. See note.

Daniel 2 Continued
YET TO BE FULFILLED



hands (supernatural power) strikes the feet and the nations fall. Daniel 2:44-45, Second Coming of Christ. His reward is with Him, redeems His people and those that are not fall with the nations.

A stone cut without



God's kingdom is established.

THIS IS THE FOUNDATION ON WHICH WE WILL CONTINUE TO BUILD. AS WE COMPLETE OUR STUDIES IN DANIEL AND MOVE ON TO REVELATION, THE GREAT CONTROVERSY WILL UNFOLD IN A DYNAMIC WAY. THERE IS SO MUCH MORE TO COME, SUCH AS ANOTHER BEAST THAT WILL HAVE A SIGNIFICANT PART IN END TIME EVENTS.

JESUS IS COMING SOON: R U READY?

Daniel 8-9 – The **little horn** came out of the "four winds of heaven," which is the immediate antecedent of the phrase, "and out of one of them." The original Hebrews reads, "and from the one, from them," the "them" being the plural nouns closest to the phrase itself, which are "the four winds of heaven" (in Hebrew "heaven" is a plural noun). Much grammatical, syntactical, and contextual evidence points to "the winds of heaven," not the four "notable ones," as the origin point of the little horn power. The 'little horn' is an expansion of the fourth kingdom, it still remains pagan but has a new feature...an ecclesiastical part. It starts small, eventually becoming Papal Rome and later the Holy Roman Empire. We find a church/state mix (iron/clay).

Verse 23 – A fierce king, understanding dark sentence, shall stand up. Powerful (not of his own might), shall destroy, prosper, practice, destroy the mighty and holy people. Craft will prosper in his hand, magnify self in his heart, by peace shall destroy, stand up against the Prince of princes (Jesus), but will be broken without hand. This will be in the future, vision sealed for now.

As with Daniel 2 & 7, the fourth kingdom reaches into our time and until the return of Christ.

Magnified himself equal to the Commander of the host. And, the 'cleansing of the sanctuary' is the same as the 'judgment in heaven' in Daniel 7.

Reference text - Babylon:

Isa.14:4, Jer. 51:7, Rev. 18:16

Greece: Eze. 27:13

The little horn power assumed its authority when Vigilius...ascended the papal chair under the military protection of Belisarius (538 AD). *Philip Schaff, History of the Christian Church, p. 327.*

Bishop officially recognized as the ruler of all the churches.

Clay – represent professed people of God.

Miry clay – represent professed people of God who are in apostasy.