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INTRODUCTION

The Book of Daniel in the Old Testament describes the History of the world, which concerns Jerusalem and Judah, before it happens. It covers the period from about 500 BC to the time of Christ. Revelation goes on from there, and into the future. Interestingly Daniel and Revelation both see the real powers behind the history of the world and thus foretell the future. My aim is to explain some of the less understood Scriptures which foretell the future in Daniel and Revelation.

Let me summarise the happenings in that part of the world which Daniel describes, and then I will go into Revelation.

At around 500 BC, Daniel sees the rise of the united kingdoms of Media and Persia which follows Babylon. Then he sees well into the future with the rise of Alexander the Great in the Greece Empire. Then he sees the rise of the Roman republic and Julius Caesar. He sees the Kingdom of Jesus Christ established on the earth during the Roman Empire. The angel tells Daniel that those things are for a distant time and that he should seal up the book at this point.

Revelation takes up where Daniel left off. Revelation explains the New Testament ages to come, going all the way to the end of time, the lake of fire, eternal life and the New Jerusalem. We are truly living in the times of victory over the power of the beast according to Daniel 7:27 "And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, **shall be given** to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him." The world we live in is just one kingdom out of many which have been subdued. You will know that surely the world that we live in will be subdued. This revived Roman Empire we live in will be subdued just as surely as the first one was and all the other kingdoms were.

Revelation starts with Jesus Christ himself explaining his message for his seven churches. He uses this as the groundwork for the future as well, Revelation 1:19 "Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, **and the things which shall be hereafter**;"

Daniel chapter 7

Daniel chapter 7 describes the kingdoms of the world.

At around 500 BC, Daniel sees a vision of beasts that come up from the sea, which represent the kingdoms of the world to come in the next five hundred years.

Daniel 7:4 The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it. 5 And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and it had three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh. 6 After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.

Babylon is the lion with eagle's wings, which then stands up on its hind two feet.

Media-Persia is the bear which is the largest empire, which is why it is told, Arise, devour much flesh. The three ribs in its mouth are the three kings of Persia which follow, according to **Daniel 11:2** And now will I show thee the truth. Behold, there shall stand up yet three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than they all: and by his strength through his riches he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia.

Greece is the leopard which had four heads, representing the four generals which took over from Alexander the Great. They divided

the Greek Empire as follows: the north Turkey, the east Syria, the south Egypt and the west the remnant of Greece.

Finally, Daniel sees a fourth beast.

Daniel 7:7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

The fourth beast is dreadful and terrible and has ten horns plus a little one which comes up after. The ten horns on this beast represent all kingdoms collectively that exist at the time of Julius Caesar. They are the six already mentioned Babylon, Persia, Greece, Turkey, Syria, Egypt and four more Germany, France, Spain and Britain.

Daniel 7:8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

In 60 BC a coalition is formed between Julius Caesar, Pompey and Crassus called the Triumvirate or Three-headed monster. After Julius Caesar takes over from this coalition, and is assassinated in 44 BC, Octavian his adopted son becomes the little horn the 11th horn. Julius Caesar is his great Uncle, and writes Octavian in his will as chief heir and adopted son. This little horn Octavian comes up after the provinces Syria, Turkey and France are uprooted, that is, after the leadership of Crassus, Pompey and Julius Caesar respectively. Octavian is given the name Caesar Augustus in 27 BC. The Roman republic now becomes the Roman Empire with Caesar Augustus ("the revered one") the first Emperor. Although Julius Caesar had also seen himself as god, Augustus his adopted son thus takes up the position of god, and taxes all his subjects as Luke 2:1 records. During the reign of Augustus the revered one, Jesus Christ who is

God himself, the Ancient of Days, comes to the earth to establish his kingdom over the beast. Jesus Christ dies, is resurrected and now sits at the right hand of the Father, and is the Judge and Ruler over all.

Daniel 7:9 I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. 10 A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.

This fourth beast, representing the Empire of Rome is destroyed utterly in Daniel 7:11, which speaks of the collapse of the Roman Empire soon after Jesus Christ establishes his throne.

Daniel 7:11 I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

Another point to note is that this Julius Caesar will think to change times and laws as in Daniel 7:25 below. We know Julius Caesar changed God's 360 day lunar year with an extra lunar month every six years, to the Egyptian 365 day solar calendar with an extra day every four years, which we use today. He did not have time to complete many of his other plans to reform the law of the Roman republic.

Daniel 7:25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

Daniel 7:25 also explains how the Roman Empire collapses after a time, times and the dividing of a time. This will be explained in Daniel chapter 9.

Daniel chapter 8

Daniel chapter 8 describes the kingdoms of the world further

Daniel first sees a ram before the river with two horns, which are the kings of Media and Persia. Persia comes up last which is the more powerful of the two kingdoms.

Daniel 8:3 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last. 4 I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great.

Media and Persia is the largest of all the Empires which is why he pushed outwards and became great. This ram is then defeated by a he goat which flies in from the west, covering the face of the whole earth, typically similar to the leopard of the Greek empire with wings in Daniel 7.

Daniel 8:5 And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes. 6 And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power. 7 And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand. 8 Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.

This he goat has one great horn which is Alexander the Great. After him four kings come up, towards the four winds of heaven which once again are: the north Turkey, the east Syria, the south Egypt and the west the remnant of Greece.

Daniel 8:9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

In Daniel 8:9 out of one of the horns (Turkey), came forth a little horn who is Pompey, Julius Caesar's ally, who later becomes his rival. Pompey is the one who conquers Palestine called the pleasant land in 63 BC.

Between the years 63 BC and 40 BC, Pompey and then Julius Caesar puts Jerusalem and Judea under the control of the High Priest Hyrcanus who is a Pharisee. Hyrcanus is a wicked high priest. Pompey is the first to defile the Temple in Jerusalem in 63 BC when he first sets up the leadership of Hyrcanus. Then Julius Caesar confirms Hyrcanus leadership in 47 BC which lasts until 40 BC. This work of Julius Caesar is recorded in **Daniel 11:31 And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily sacrifice, and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate.**

The rule of Hyrcanus which began under Julius Caesar, a period lasting 2300 days (6 ½ years), is described as follows

Daniel 8:13 Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the daily sacrifice, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot? 14 And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

Certain years after the 2300 days, we know Jesus Christ comes to the earth and cleanses the sanctuary as Daniel shows in detail in the next chapter, Daniel chapter 9.

Daniel chapter 9

Daniel is in captivity in Babylon with all of the people of God. He then understands from the writings of Jeremiah that the captivity will only last 70 years, and that this time is about to be completed.

Jeremiah 25:11 And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years. 12 And it shall come to pass, when seventy years are accomplished, that I will punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the LORD, for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and will make it perpetual desolations.

Jeremiah 29:10 For thus saith the LORD, That after seventy years be accomplished at Babylon I will visit you, and perform my good word toward you, in causing you to return to this place.

So Daniel prays that God will set his people free from Babylon. While he is praying, an angel comes to him and gives him this message:

Daniel 9:24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

The Seventy Weeks, which are correctly understood to mean 490 years (70 x 7) begin in 456 BC when Persian king Artaxerxes gave a commandment to Nehemiah to rebuild Jerusalem. The Temple foundation had previously been laid by decree of Cyrus in Ezra chapter 1 many years earlier (also see Isaiah 44:28). Now this going forth of the commandment to Nehemiah to build Jerusalem is made some eighty years after the end of the seventy years Babylonish captivity.

Nehemiah 2:1 And it came to pass in the month Nisan, in the twentieth year of Artaxerxes the king, that wine was before

him: and I took up the wine, and gave it unto the king. Now I had not been beforetime sad in his presence.

Nehemiah 2:5 And I said unto the king, If it please the king, and if thy servant have found favour in thy sight, that thou wouldest send me unto Judah, unto the city of my fathers' sepulchres, that I may build it. 6 And the king said unto me, (the queen also sitting by him,) For how long shall thy journey be? and when wilt thou return? So it pleased the king to send me; and I set him a time.

The Seventy weeks are divided into three periods.

Daniel 9:25 Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

Firstly into a period of SEVEN WEEKS (7 x 7 = 49 years) from 456 BC to 407 BC. This is the time that Nehemiah spends building the street and the wall of Jerusalem in troublous times.

Secondly of SIXTY-TWO WEEKS (62 x 7 = 434 years) from 407 BC to 27 AD. This is the time after Jerusalem is rebuilt up to the time John the Baptist comes into the wilderness, announcing that Jesus Christ is about to come. Jesus Christ (Messiah the Prince) comes that same year when he is 30 years old (Jesus is actually born in the year 3 BC).

Thirdly the Scripture describes the last WEEK (7 years):

Daniel 9:26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

Daniel 9:26 explains that during this last WEEK (7 years) Messiah (Jesus Christ) will be killed, but not for his own sins, as it says,

"but not for himself". Then the verse then describes what happens in the same generation, in 70 AD, the Romans invade and destroy this city of Jerusalem which had been rebuilt together with the temple.

Daniel 9:27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

The false teaching spread today is that Daniel 9:27 is talking about the Antichrist in "The Tribulation" instead of Jesus Christ. This is blasphemy. This verse clearly explains that **Jesus Christ** confirms the covenant with Israel for seven years. Half way through the 7 years (in the midst of the week) **Jesus Christ** shall cause the sacrifice and oblation to cease. Julius Caesar had already removed the DAILY sacrifice as we saw in Daniel chapter 8. Now halfway through the 7-year covenant after 3 ½ years of his earthly ministry from 27 AD to 31 AD, Jesus Christ is crucified and when he dies, the curtain in the temple is torn in two. At that point, no more sacrifices and oblations are ever done again in the rebuilt temple of Jerusalem, which is why it says "he shall make it desolate". Daniel Chapter 12 also describes this period of Jesus Christ's earthly ministry counting the exact days:

Daniel 12:11 And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away (by Julius), and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days. 12 Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.

1290 days is the 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ years of Jesus' earthly ministry. 1335 days is up to the day of Pentecost as described in Acts Chapter 2.

THE LAST HALF OF THE SEVEN-YEAR COVENANT COMPLETE

Revelation 12:5 And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne. 6 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days.

After Jesus Christ ascends up to heaven, for exactly 1260 days he **completes** the last half of the seven-year covenant he confirms with many "he shall confirm the covenant with many for **one week**" (7 years, Dan 9:27)

Revelation 13:5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue **forty and two months**.

This 42 months and the 1260 days of the woman fleeing into the wilderness is the same period of completing the last half of the seven-year covenant. This beast continues until "he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people" (Daniel 12:7). Then the inheritance of the Israelites passes onto the Gentiles through Jesus Christ. The Church is persecuted, which consists mainly of Israelites at first (upon the head of the woman a crown of twelve stars). But she flees to the wilderness, also described in Acts 8:1.

Acts 8:1 And Saul was consenting unto his death. And at that time there was a great persecution against the church which was at Jerusalem; and they were all scattered abroad throughout the regions of Judaea and Samaria, except the apostles.

The apostles in Jerusalem- Revelation 11:3 And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy **a thousand two hundred and threescore days**, clothed in sackcloth.

This again is the same 1260 days, the last half of the seven-year covenant confirmed. As soon as the Gentiles receive the gospel, the Israelite witness of the gospel is slain, and the seven-year covenant is complete.

Revelation 11:7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

Let us look again at the announcement the angel gives to Daniel:

Daniel 9:24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

This seventy weeks as seen before, is divided into three periods, SEVEN weeks, SIXTY-TWO weeks and, ONE week divided. The following scriptures describe these same three periods in another way, TIME and then TIMES and then the THE DIVIDING OF TIME (or HALF A TIME).

Daniel 7:25 And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until **a time** and times and the dividing of time.

Daniel 12:6 And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders? 7 And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and sware by him that liveth for ever that it shall be for a **time**, **times**, **and an half**; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

Revelation 12:14 And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for **a time**, **and times**, **and half a time**, from the face of the serpent.

Again, this time measures the time from when Jerusalem is rebuilt in 456 BC up to the time Jesus Christ ascends up to heaven.

Daniel chapter 11

DANIEL CHAPTER 11 is a detailed description of what will happen in the future across Europe and the Middle East which affect Jerusalem and Judah, leading up to the coming of Jesus Christ. This chapter takes two particular powers, first Egypt and then Rome. The angel Gabriel explains to Daniel what is to happen hundreds of years before the events happen. False interpretations of Daniel 11:15 have been circulated which identify the kingdom of the north as Syria instead of Rome. This is to divert attention from the Roman Empire. Who else would have invented such a story other than the Roman Catholic beast which came out of the Roman Empire? Daniel 11:21 identifies the Roman Emperor Julius Caesar, which is crucial to understand the Antichrist, his identity today and his solar calendar from Egypt which the whole world now follows.

Daniel 11:3-4 describes the rise and fall of Alexander the Great from Greece:

Daniel 11:3 And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and do according to his will.

Alexander the Great captured Egypt in about 332 BC. He ordered the building of a great city in his name on the Egyptian Mediterranean coast, called Alexandria. He died in 323 BC. Alexander's four generals, known as the Diadochi (followers), divided up the conquered territories for themselves.

Daniel 11:4 And when he shall stand up, his kingdom shall be broken, and shall be divided toward the four winds of heaven; and not to his posterity, nor according to his dominion which he ruled: for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for others beside those.

One of these Diadochi in the south called Ptolemy began the dynasty in Egypt called the Ptolemies. Daniel 11:5-12 describes this dynasty referring to it as the king of the South. Ptolemy III is worth mentioning as Daniel mentions him in Daniel 11:5.

Daniel 11:5 And the king of the south shall be strong, and one of his princes; and he shall be strong above him, and have dominion; his dominion shall be a great dominion.

While Ptolemy III is ruling in the south, his sister (who is the daughter of Ptolemy II) marries the king of the north (Antioch) to make a sort of peaceful alliance. The king of the north however had another wife. When the king of the north dies, these two wives of his enter into a struggle for power which results in Ptolemy III's sister getting killed.

Daniel 11:6 And in the end of years they shall join themselves together; for the king's daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement: but she shall not retain the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be given up, and they that brought her, and he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in these times.

As a result, Ptolemy III her brother (a branch of her roots) wages war on Antioch in revenge (the Third Syrian War) and continues his campaign northwards after a victory even as far as Ephesus. This is between 246 and 241 BC. He then returns back to Egypt.

Daniel 11:7 But out of a branch of her roots shall one stand up in his estate, which shall come with an army, and shall enter into the fortress of the king of the north, and shall deal against them, and shall prevail: 8 And shall also carry captives into Egypt their gods, with their princes, and with their precious vessels of silver and of gold; and he shall continue more years than the king of the north. 9 So the king of the south shall come into his kingdom, and shall return into his own land.

When Ptolemy IV succeeds the throne of the south, the sons of Antioch in the north (Antioch III) decide to move against Egypt in the Fourth Syrian war according to Daniel 11:10.

Daniel 11:10 But his sons shall be stirred up, and shall assemble a multitude of great forces: and one shall certainly

come, and overflow, and pass through: then shall he return, and be stirred up, even to his fortress.

Before Antioch III reaches Egypt, they are stalled with political negotiantions which allow Egypt to muster or rather hire an army. Ptolemy IV of Egypt then defeated Antiochus III in 217 BC with 55000 men against 68000 men as Daniel sees in Daniel 11:11-12.

Daniel 11:11 And the king of the south shall be moved with choler, and shall come forth and fight with him, even with the king of the north: and he shall set forth a great multitude; but the multitude shall be given into his hand. 12 And when he hath taken away the multitude, his heart shall be lifted up; and he shall cast down many ten thousands: but he shall not be strengthened by it.

Daniel 11:13-14 describes the next 100 years gap in time. Daniel 11:13 promises that the defeated king of the north will be back after certain years, coming with a lot of power. This is the next type of leadership which we will see rise up from Rome. The wars will now wage on a much larger scale with the king of the north now being the Roman republic.

Daniel 11:13 For the king of the north shall return, and shall set forth a multitude greater than the former, and shall certainly come after certain years with a great army and with much riches.

Daniel 11:14 describes the years of unrest in the south during this period before the Roman power sweeps in. A nationalist movement arises among the well-trained and paid army of Egypt. This causes several insurrections against the dynasty of the south which weakens the king of the south. In addition, Daniel 11:14 desribes the Maccebean revolt where Judas Maccabaeus rededicates the Temple in Jerusalem in 165 BC, but he is killed four years later.

Daniel 11:14 And in those times there shall many stand up against the king of the south: also the robbers of thy people

shall exalt themselves to establish the vision; but they shall fall.

Daniel 11:15 begins in the years 111-105 BC with Gaius Marius, Julius Caesar's uncle, as the king of the north (Rome), where Marius conquers Jugartha of the Numidians in the south.

Daniel 11:15 So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the most fenced cities: and the arms of the south shall not withstand, neither his chosen people, neither shall there be any strength to withstand.

In Daniel 11:18 after Marius defeated the Teutones and the Cimbri at Aix and Vercelli respectively, Sulla became his rival to command the Roman armies against Mithradates VI of Pontus. When Sulla thus took Marius' command away from him, civil war occurred which eventually turns against Marius.

Daniel 11:18 After this shall he turn his face unto the isles, and shall take many: but a prince for his own behalf shall cause the reproach offered by him to cease; without his own reproach he shall cause it to turn upon him.

As an old man, Marius finally tries to gain support from Roman politics but in 88 BC Sulla drives him from Rome, and Marius is no longer found.

Daniel 11:19 Then he shall turn his face toward the fort of his own land: but he shall stumble and fall, and not be found.

Sulla establishes the conservative rule of the aristocrats and then abdicates his dictatorship and retires quietly after three short years of rule. Daniel 11:20 describes this short rule.

Daniel 11:20 Then shall stand up in his estate a raiser of taxes in the glory of the kingdom: but within few days he shall be destroyed, neither in anger, nor in battle.

Julius Caesar then comes to power in Daniel 11:21. He is professionally an orator and uses this talent to gain popularity.

Daniel 11:21 And in his estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.

He forms a coalition with Pompey and Crassus in 60 BC called the Triumvirate or Three-headed monster in Daniel 11:23 also referred to as a conspiracy against the state by its three leading citizens. (Elsewhere Daniel sees this three-headed monster as being three horns see Daniel chapter 7 verses 8, 20 and 24)

Daniel 11:23 And after the league made with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people.

Daniel 11:24 describes the period between 58 and 49 BC when Julius Caesar conquers most of central Europe, ending with the successful conquest of Gaul (France).

Daniel 11:24 He shall enter peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: yea, and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.

After the death of Crassus, the Triumvirate coalition is fragmented and after increasing tension, in 48 BC Julius Ceasar comes against the armies of Pompey described in Daniel 11:25 stationed in the south (Greece) with 21 000 men against Pompey's 46 000 men. The scripture even compares the army size - "a great army" 21,000 and "a very great and mighty army" 46,000.

Daniel 11:25 And he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand: for they shall forecast devices against him.

Julius Caesar is victorious after many are slain on both sides. Pompey fled to Egypt where he was killed by the Egyptians who he used to rule over.

Daniel 11:26 Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow: and many shall fall down slain.

Daniel 11:27 then explains an agreement between Caesar and Ptolemy XII of Egypt. Julius Caesar had previously provided military support for Ptolemy XII of Egypt but Egypt had still owed Caesar money for providing this military support.

Daniel 11:27 And both these kings' hearts shall be to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for yet the end shall be at the time appointed.

As Julius Caesar returns, he believes he has Egypt on his side. Pompey had invaded the land of Judah but now after Pompey's defeat and death, Julius Caesar begins to take interest in Judah in Daniel 11:28.

Daniel 11:28 Then shall he return into his land with great riches; and his heart shall be against the holy covenant; and he shall do exploits, and return to his own land.

When Julius Caesar comes back again towards the south for Judah, he is opposed in the sea by Egypt occupying Cyprus (Chittim). This makes him upset and he decides to control Jerusalem this time by having an agreement with the Jewish political party of the Pharisees.

Daniel 11:29 At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter. 30 For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.

In Daniel 11:30 Caesar confirms the political leader of the Pharisees, Hyrcanus, as high priest and Ethnarch - national leader - in Jerusalem instead of a legitimate high priest. This Pharisee

leader has the support of those in the region in his position as fake high priest.

Daniel 11:31 And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily sacrifice, and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate.

This Pharisee leader Hyrcanus is a fake high priest. The following verses show the attitude of Julius Caesar when he takes away the daily sacrifice

Daniel 11:37 Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all. 38 But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things.

It is the time of the end once Julius Caesar, the king of the north, removes the daily sacrifice from the temple in Jerusalem. And Satan enters Julius Caesar to become the Antichrist. Egypt then wages war against him.

Daniel 11:40 And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.

In 47 BC Caesar defeats the Egyptian army at Alexandria as described in Daniel 11:42, and in Daniel 11:43 establishes Cleopatra as ruler in alliance with Rome.

Daniel 11:42 He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape. 43 But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps.

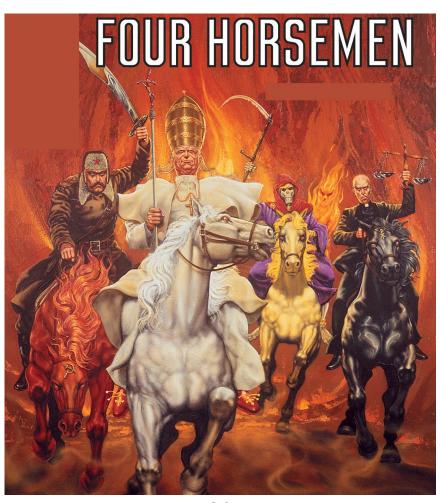
Then in that same year, Julius Caesar hears of disturbances in Asia Minor seen in Daniel 11:44, and he sweeps through the region to settle these distubances with the slogan veni, vidi, vici ("I came, I saw, I overcame").

Daniel 11:44 But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.

In 45 BC Julius Caesar changes times in the Roman Republic to follow the Egyptian system of a 365 day year, with months named from pagan origins. In 44 BC Julius Caesar is assassinated by sixty conspirators and none helped him, according to Daniel 11:45.

Daniel 11:45 And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

The Roman palace is built in the glorious location between the Mediterranean and the Dead Sea, inside the glorious city of Jerusalem.



REVELATION AND THE NEW TESTAMENT TIMES

[The following portion in ITALICS is a Dispensational interpretation of the last 2000 years of world history.

THE FOUR HORSEMEN - Revelation chapter 6

Revelation 6 describes The four powers which are on the earth. Everyone knows about conquerors such as Julius Caesar, who brought in peace afterwards, called Pax Romana. This is the first horse. The second horse then talks of wars. We all know about how the Muslims made war to establish Islam. Then the third power is Economic Power. This is the third horse, which rose at the Renaissance. Because then, people started the business and trading across seas which we still see here today. Finally, everyone on the earth is subject to the forth power, of death, and shortly after death those without the Gospel go into hell.

The fifth power on this earth is the power of the gospel, which is above every other power, but was still subject to death, during the Roman Catholic persecutions between 1300 and 1600 AD.

White Horse	Roman Antichrist (Matt 24:5)
Red Horse	The Red Dragon (Rev 12)
"war"	POLITICAL POWER
Black Horse	The Beast (Rev 13:1)
"pennybuy and sell"	MONEY
Pale Horse	The False Prophet (Rev 13:11)
"hellworshipsouls"	RELIGIOUS POWER
	Babylon (Rev 17)

THE SEVEN CHURCHES - Revelation chapters 2 and 3

Jesus Christ comes back to the earth and in Revelation chapters 2 and 3 he shows John his seven churches Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea to symbolise the seven times of the New Testament.

1. Ephesus - fallen from first love, deeds of the Nicolaitanes - the first generation after Jesus Christ and the Apostles have forgotten the power of Christ, such as the Corinthian Church, also referred to in Jude and 2 Peter with other antichrist references

From the time of Jesus Christ until the rule of Nerva in AD 96, Rome is in confusion with incompetent rulers such as Caligula and Nero. The Roman Emperors at this time build the Colosseum for gladiator combat. Roman Stoicism is the religion of the day with Nero's advisor Seneca being an important Stoic. These are likely to be the Nicolaitanes. The ultimate goal of Roman Stoicism is inner peace and an awareness that true happiness is found only in submission to the order of universe.

2. Smyrna - <u>tribulation and death</u> - Christians under the threat of death have the opportunity to experience pure Christianity

Five strong emperors reign in Rome between 96 and 180 AD - Nerva, Trajan, Hadrian, Antoninus Pius and Marcus Aurelius with many others persecuting the Christians for not worshiping the gods of Rome. A second wave of Stoicism comes in, combining it with the ideas of Plato and Aristotle.

3. Pergamos - christian martyr, doctrines of Balaam, doctrine of Nicolaitanes- false doctrines enter the church for the first time in spite of martyrdom

313 AD Constantine establishes a policy of toleration for Christians, but Christians allow the idol worship of Rome to enter the church which is still prevalent in the hearts of many Roman citizens. Witness to this fact is that Constantine now adopts the seven day week as a sign of Christianisation, but names the days of the week from pagan origins! As the world tries to join hands with the church, true Christianity suffers. Martyrdom still does occur, but more rarely since the Church has become more accepting of Romish practices. St. Basil establishes the false sect of the monk order in the East.

4. Thyatira - <u>Jezabel a false prophetess and depths of Satan</u> - establishes the false Roman church

Theodosius I the last Emperor to control the united Roman empire declares Christianity the sole religion of the Roman Empire in 380 AD. But this Christianity involves priests, bishops, metropolitans (archbishops of large cities) and patriarchs (bishops overseeing more historic cities such as Jerusalem, Constantinople, Alexandria and so on). During this time, the Germans sack Rome. In 445 AD Emperor Valentinian III decrees that all western bishops are to be under the jurisdiction of the Pope.

5. Sardis - <u>living organisation and yet dead</u> - the false papal church system is well organised and yet dead in the dark ages

By this time there are no Roman Emperors occupying the west at all. The false Roman Church, however, is firmly established in Europe. St. Benedict, like St. Basil in the East, forms the false sect of the monk order in the West. The false Papal church system establishes Islam between 610 and 630 AD, engages in the Inquisition of Spain and results in a conflict in Britain while the true scriptures are being produced during the reformation era.

Satan had made his body and had made his antichrist the Pope. Now he needed another body to control the Jews. He would therefore have to rule from Jerusalem as well as Rome. He selected the Bedoin tribes. The Bedoins were all divided but they all honoured the 'House of God' in Mecca, which contained 360 idols. Khadijah, a Roman Catholic, married Muhammed, and he was led to remove all 360 idols except for Allah. This way, the Bedoins could all be united under one religion, Islam, and the Pope could control the Arab. In 610 AD Muhammed had a 'vision'. They established Muhammed's leadership by making the proclaimation "There is no god but Allah, and Muhammed is his prophet." Two Popes secretly funded Muhammed's bloodbath army which established Allah in Mecca in 630AD, in exchange for Jerusalem. Jerusalem was then swiftly destroyed by the invading

armies of Islam. Over the centuries following this invasion, the Jews were continually crushed and victimised by invading armies of Crusaders and Muslims.

Although depicting the struggle of the birth of Jesus Christ, Revelation chapter 12 is repeated in the battle that raged over the production of the Holy Bible between the years 1300 and 1600 AD. Many people were killed by the Roman Catholic church across Europe and England who preserved the Scriptures and worked towards publishing the Scriptures for the general public. The same red dragon which was reigning behind Julius Caesar, Augustus and many other Roman rulers, is now back in the Pope organisation, waiting to devour the seed of the word of God, which ultimately becomes the King James Bible.

6. Philadelphia - <u>an open door</u> - victory for the church as the devil and his angels are cast out of the high place

1769 Oxford Text King James Bible is published. During this time a great period of reform and revivals are happening in Christendom resulting from the birth of the Scriptures in the 1769 King James Bible. This period of reform and revival continues into the 1800's with the Second Great Awakening.

7. Laodicea - <u>neither hot nor cold, but lukewarm</u> - mixing false with the true

In Revelation 17 the Roman church is shown as the woman drunk with the blood of the martyrs she killed during the period of 1300-1600. In 1881 The Roman beast and red dragon of old begins to move in a final time to corrupt the true doctrine of the Church. He changes the scriptures of the Old and New Testaments in 1881 and destroys the belief of the Church in a perfect, preserved word of God. This is called the Revised Standard Version of the bible made by a Roman Catholic committee in 1881. Following this breach in the wall, a flood of false bibles are produced and spread around the world in the 1900's up to the present time. During this time there is the rise and fall of many large and influential gospel organisations, which mix the false bible with the true bible.

Revelation Chapter 13

The Two Beasts – (See picture on back cover)

The first beast in Revelation chapter 13 comes out of the sea. This beast is a combination of all the beasts we saw in Daniel chapter 7. It represents the resurrection of the collapsed Roman Empire. It has all the seven heads of previous empires, but one of them is wounded to death but was healed. This seventh killed head that was healed is a sign that it still lives as a ghost after being destroyed at the collapse of the Roman Empire.

Revelation 13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. 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. 3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

This beast is political system which came out of the Roman Empire which collapsed. The 10 crowns show that it is the collective political power of the 10 kingdoms existing at the time of Julius Caesar. This beast came out of the Roman Empire and has a combination of the features of all the beasts we have seen before, grafted in together. Beast like a leopard, feet like a bear, mouth of a lion and power of a dragon. Its first head grafted in belongs to the first beast, Babylon the lion. Its second head to the second beast, Persia the bear. The next four heads belong to the third beast Greece the leopard which has four heads, Turkey, Syria, Egypt and Greece. This makes six heads, or six powers. And its last head which was wounded to death is Rome the terrible beast. This beast also has ten horns, which are the same ten countries at the time of Julius Caesar, Babylon (Iraq), Persia (Iran), Turkey, Assyria (Syria), Egypt, Greece, and in the west:-

Germany, France, Spain and Britain. All these powers so far are in Europe and the Middle East.

But now in Revelation 13:11 another beast rises out of the earth which is the religious power of the Roman Catholic Church. It is the Pope organisation, which ruled silently during the Dark Ages with two horns, the two "keys of Life and Death" to mimic Jesus keys of hell and death (Revelation 1:18. See pictures inside back cover). Also the Pope holds out two fingers:

Revelation 13:11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

This is similar to Daniel Chapter 8 which sees the beast in the form of a ram and a he goat. These animals are used in religious sacrifices, therefore it represents the spiritual power of the beast.

Historically, GERMANY and the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA are linked to the second beast of Revelation 13 which is the Roman Catholic Church. Germany was the power that tried to take over from Rome at the time of its collapse. Germany has ruled as a superpower for centuries while the Roman Church ruled spiritually. In the Dark Ages, Germany was called the Holy Roman Empire (Reich). Before 1508, German Kings were not considered Emperors of the Reich until the Pope had formally crowned them as such.

In modern times, Germany is the heart of the modern bible movement which created the new bible (all modern versions of the Bible). Research shows that this bible movement of Billy Graham actually came out of Nazi Germany. Germany in modern times promoted ancient pagan festivals such as the Christmas tree and the birthday celebrations, and brought them back into society only recently. These festivities only came in use over the last 150 years. We get all our modern festivities from GERMANY.

The history of Germany is rooted in this ancient power of the second beast of Revelation 13. It is interesting to note that Skull and Bones '322' Club which American Presidents become

members of, has its counterpart club in Germany '321'. The numbers mean they were established in 1832. The first in Germany (18)32-1 the second at Yale University in America (18)32-2. Shortly after these 1832 clubs, the new "Holy Roman" empire was known as the SECOND Reich after the unification of Germany as a nation state in 1871 until the end of World War I. With the creation of the Weimar Republic after Germany's defeat in World War I, and Nazi Germany's rise, the Nazis referred to Germany as the THIRD Reich.

Revelation Chapter 17 The Mystery of Babylon

Revelation 17:1 And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will show unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: 2 With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication. 3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

This beast is the same political system which exists today in the same 10 countries we already discussed. It has seven heads and ten horns again, but now it is scarlet in colour, which means that this is the dragon (Rev 12) and beast (Rev 13). The woman on the beast is another depiction of the Roman Catholic Church.

Revelation 17:5 And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

She makes the people of Jesus Christ to worship the queen of heaven from Egypt worshipped in Jeremiah 7:18 "The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead their dough, to make cakes to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke

me to anger." These same cakes are made by the Roman Catholic Church for mass celebrations for members to worship Mary and child (she is not of course the real mother of Jesus, but an idol, sometimes called the Madonna, Easter or Ishtar who is Ashtoreth).

After this chapter in Revelation exposes the Babylon (the Roman Catholic Church) it goes on to describe when this beast and Babylon is destroyed. The angel reveals the mystery to John:

Revelation 17:7 And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns. 8 The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is. 9 And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.

Many people have realised that the city of Rome geographically sits on seven mountains. But there is more to this Scripture:

Revelation 17:10 And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.

Revelation 17:10 talks of the seven heads again, "five are fallen", they are in order of sequence Egypt, Assyria, Babylon, Persia, Greece. We know Egypt was the first great empire, which the Israelites left with Moses. Then after Israel backslid Assyria took them away into exile forever. Then, Babylon came to take Judah away, where God reveals the beast to Daniel while he is in Babylon. Daniel survives into the beginnings of the Media-Persian Empire. After Persia, came Greece and the conquests of Alexander the Great.

Revelation 17:10 goes on to say "One is". This is the king of Turkey, Pompey, who is the sixth. Also note that the dominant

churches at the time John received the Revelation were in TURKEY - Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamos, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea which we have covered to symbolise the seven times of the New Testament.

Revelation 17:10 then says "the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space." The other had not yet come at the time John received the Revelation. This other king has now come, and is the resurrected beast of the Roman Empire which is the seventh, the political system of the world dominated by the 10 countries of the ghost of Julius Caesar.

Revelation 17:11 And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.

The eighth king is the JUDGED beast with ten horns AND seven heads made up of all previous political powers "is of the seven".

King Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

King Nebuchadnezzar in Daniel Chapter 2 has a dream of a statue which concerns the future of the world. The statue has legs of iron and feet mixed part clay and part iron. The legs represent the Roman Empire, and the feet represent Europe and the Middle East that remain after the Roman Empire.

Daniel 2:40 And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise. 41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. 42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. 43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

The iron and clay cannot mix. After the Roman Empire, the powers divided cleanly in the West to form the five iron toes of the Pope nations (Germany, France, Britain, Spain and Greece) and in the East to form what became the five clay toes of the Muslim nations (Turkey, Syria, Egypt, Iraq, Iran). While this was all taking place, the Resurrection of the Dead became a reality, because Jesus Christ rose from the dead, and all who believe in him are also raised from the dead, as Jesus gives his believers power to raise the dead, which is why the following Scripture teaches:

Daniel 2:44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

John 5:25 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

John 5:28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, 29 And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

Daniel right at the end of his book almost repeats the exact same scripture to talk of the end - the time of Jesus Christ in the gospels.

Daniel 12:2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

Daniel has been completely fulfilled in Christ, just like every other Old Testament prophecy –

There is NO SEVEN YEAR TRIBULATION to come!

THE FALSE PROPHET (Revelation 13:11)

Revelation 3:9 Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

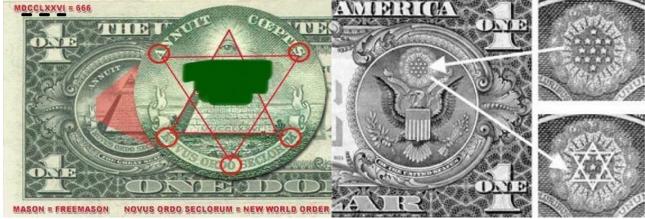


In 321AD, at the founding of the Roman Catholic Church, The Roman Saturn-day, took over the Hebrew Sabbath,

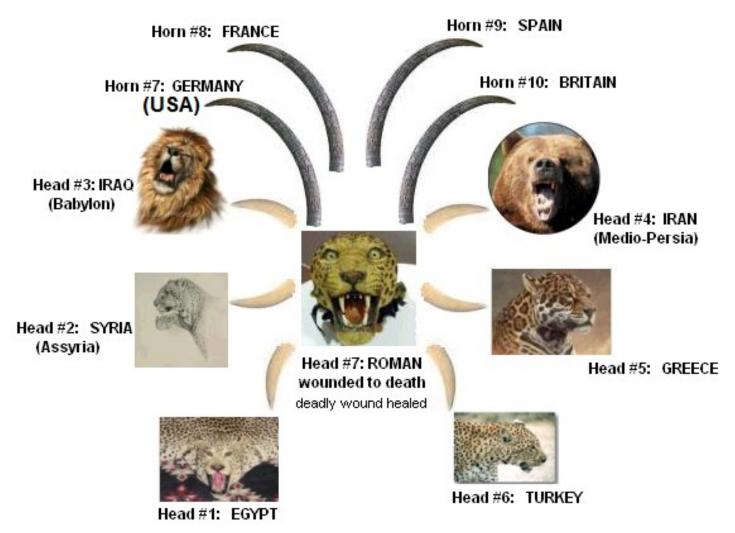
And the Roman occult symbol for Saturn Decame the Roman Catholic symbol for the Jews.

This is the mark of the beast





THE BEAST (Revelation 13)



This beast is a combination of the four beasts of Daniel 7: Babylon the lion (Iraq)
Persia the bear (Iran), Ancient Greece the four-headed leopard (Egypt, Syria, Greece and Turkey) and
Roman (Julius Caesar's conquests of Germany, France, Spain and Britain)

The number order of the heads is the order these kingdoms appeared on the earth



Notice the three "guard bars" (colored RED) at the beginning, middle and end. Now, notice the same bar pattern ("bar-space-bar" or "IOI") for the number 6 (colored BLUE).