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THE BOOK OF DANIEL



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Message

Times of the Gentiles are revealed prophetically (2, 7, 8-12) and ethically (1, 3-6)




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Synthetic Outline

I. Historical (1-7):
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1. Gentile History (2)

2. Protection (3)

3. Revelation to a gentile king (4)

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1. Gentile history (7)

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CHAPTER AND VERSE IN DANIEL	CHRONOLOGICAL DATE	BIBLICAL DATE
1:1	605	3 rd year of Jehoiakim
2:1	603	2 nd year of Nebuchadnezzar
5	Sat. night 10/12/539 (Hohner)	
7:1	553	1 st year of Belshazzar
8:1	551	3 rd year of Belshazzar
9:1	538	1 st year of Darius
10:1	536	3 rd year of Cyrus

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Daniel's Age		
CHAPTER	EVENTS	AGE
1	Taken to Babylonian captivity	15
2	Interpreting Nebuchadnezzar's 1 st dream (huge image)	17
3	Daniel's 3 friends cast into the fiery furnace	19 or 20
4	Interpreting Nebuchadnezzar's 2nd dream (huge tree)	45-50
5	Interpreting handwriting of the wall at Belshazzar's feast	Early 80's
6	Delivered from the den of lions	c.83
7-8	Daniel's visions and dreams	Mid-60's
9	Daniel's seventy "sevens" prophecy	Early-80's
10-12	Final dreams and visions	Mid-80's

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Succession of Gentile Rulers	
■	1-4: Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon
■	5: Belshazzar of Babylon
■	6: Darius of Media – Persia
■	7-8: Belshazzar of Babylon
■	9: Darius of Media – Persia
■	10-12: Cyrus of Media – Persia

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Daniel 8:20-21 (NASB)

"The ram which you saw with the two horns represents the kings of Media and Persia. ²¹The shaggy goat represents the kingdom of Greece, and the large horn that is between his eyes is the first king."



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6 Empires

- Babylon (2:36-38; 7:4) 605-539 BC
- Media-Persia (2:39a; 7:5) 539-331 BC
- Greece (2:39b; 7:6) 331-63 BC
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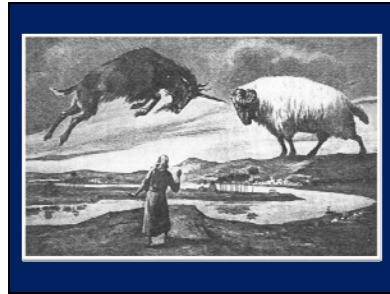
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THE 1 HORNED GOAT V. 5-8
(cont'd)

- (v. 8)
 - ◆ The goat's changing horns
 - He magnifies himself (v.8a)
 - Alexander's death (v.8b)
 - Alexander's empire is divided among his four generals (v.8c)



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Four Generals Daniel 7:6; 8:8, 22	
Cassander Macedonia	Ptolemy Egypt
Lysimachus Thrace & Asia Minor	Seleucus Syria (including Israel)




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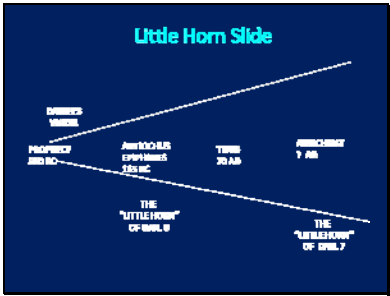
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THE BOASTFUL LITTLE HORN V. 9-14

■ V. 10

- ◆ Antiochus' persecution of Israel
- ◆ Goal is Hellenization
- ◆ He viewed the Jews as an obstacle to his goal
- ◆ He outlawed the Hebrew scriptures and executed families who observed the Sabbath and circumcision




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THE BOASTFUL LITTLE HORN V. 9-14

■ V. 11

- ◆ Made himself equal with God
- ◆ Stopped Jewish sacrifices
- ◆ Desecrated the temple (167 BC)
 - Set up an image of Zeus
 - Sacrificed a pig on the altar



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THE BOASTFUL LITTLE HORN V. 9-14


■ V. 12

◆ Persecuted Israel

◆ Stopped the sacrifices

◆ Disregarded the truth

◆ Prospered



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THE BOASTFUL LITTLE HORN V. 9-14

■ V. 13

◆ How long will temple desecration last?

■ V. 14

◆ 2300 evenings and mornings



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THE BOASTFUL LITTLE HORN V. 9-14

■ 171 BC – Dec. 25th 165 BC

■ ≈ 2300 mornings and evenings

■ Daniel predicted these events roughly 400 years in advance

■ Argument over the date of Daniel



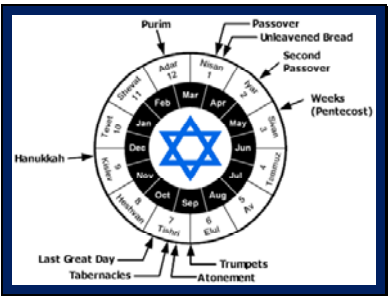
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HANUKKAH

- The Maccabean revolt
- December 25th 165 BC : the temple is liberated and rededicated
- 1 & 2 Maccabees
- The miracle of the lamp oil
- Hanukkah “Feast of Dedication” (festival of lights).
- Christmas / Jewish Holiday
- John 10:22-24




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Little Horn Slide

EMERSON
VOICES

PROPHET
SERVO

ANTIOCHUS
EPIPHANES
168 BC

THE
"LITTLE HORN"
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DAN 9:27 OVERVIEW OF TRIBULATION PERIOD

Covenant

Antichrist desecrates Temple and ends sacrifices

Christ's 2nd Coming

3 1/2 years

Tribulation (mid-point)

3 1/2 years

7 years

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Antichrist's Satanic Miracles 2 Thessalonians 2:9		
Miracle	Greek Word	Christ's Ministry
Powers	<i>Dynamis</i>	Matt. 11:20
Signs	<i>Semēion</i>	John 20:30
Wonders	<i>Teras</i>	Acts 2:22

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Satanic/Demonic Miracles


- Exod 7–8
- Deut 13:1-3
- Matt 7:21-23; 24:24
- Acts 8:9; 16:16
- Gal 1:6-9
- 2 Thess 2:9
- Rev 13:3, 13; 16:13-14




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TIME FRAME V.26

■ V. 26

◆ True

◆ Daniel is told to keep it a secret


◆ The vision will not be fulfilled for 386 years

◆ Daniel 12:4, 9

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Daniel 12:4, 9 (NASB)


⁴“But as for you, Daniel, conceal these words and seal up the book until the end of time; many will go back and forth, and knowledge will increase...⁹ Go *your way*, Daniel, for *these* words are concealed and sealed up until the end time.”



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Amos 8:12 (NASB)

“People will stagger from sea to sea
And from the north even to the east;
They will go to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, But they will not find it.”



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THE EFFECT ON DANIEL V. 27

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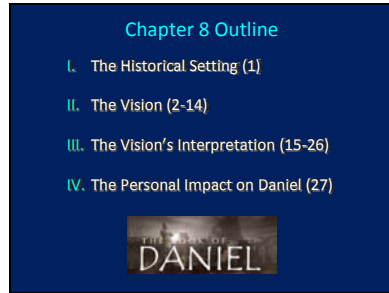
■ Daniel is astounded

■ Daniel wants more understanding

◆ Daniel 12:8-9

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Conclusion



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Dan. 11:31- Forces from him will arise, desecrate the sanctuary fortress, and do away with the regular sacrifice. And they will set up the abomination ^[an]of desolation.

Dan. 9:27- And he will make a firm covenant with the many for one week, but in the middle of the week he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of ^[ae]abominations *will come* one who ^[af]makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who ^[ag]makes desolate.

Eccles. 1:9-That which has been is that which will be, And that which has been done is that which will be done. So there is nothing new under the sun.

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Rev. 13:4- they worshiped the dragon because he gave his authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, “Who is like the beast, and who is able to wage war with him?”

John 13:27- After the morsel, Satan then entered into him. Therefore Jesus *said to him, “What you do, do quickly.”

John 17:12-While I was with them, I was keeping them in Your name which You have given Me; and I guarded them and not one of them perished but the ^[c]son of perdition, so that the Scripture would be fulfilled.

2 Thess. 2:3-Let no one in any way deceive you, for *it will not come* unless the ^[d]apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction.

2 Thess. 2:9- *that is*, the one whose ^[g]coming is in accord with the activity of Satan, with all **power** and ^[h]**signs** and false **wonders**.

John 10:10-The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and ^[a]have *it* abundantly.

Rev. 6:1-4- Then I saw when the Lamb broke one of the seven seals, and I heard one of the four living creatures saying as with a voice of thunder, “Come^[a].” ² I looked, and behold, a white horse, and he who sat on it had a bow; and a crown was given to him, and he went out conquering and to conquer.³ When He broke the second seal, I heard the second living creature saying, “Come^[b].” ⁴ And another, a red horse, went out; and to him who sat on it, it was granted to take peace from the earth, and that *men* would slay one another; and a great sword was given to him.

John 6:38-For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me.

Dan. 7:21-I kept looking, and that horn was waging war with the ^[u]saints and overpowering them.

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Dan. 12:9-And the great dragon was thrown down, the serpent of old who is called the devil and Satan, who deceives the whole ^[d]world; he was thrown down to the earth, and his angels were thrown down with him.

Isa. 14:13-But you said in your heart, ‘I will ascend to heaven; I will raise my throne above the stars of God, And I will sit on the mount of assembly In the recesses of the north.

2 Thess. 2:4-who opposes **and exalts himself above ^[a]every so-called god or object of worship**, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God.

1 Thess. 5:3- While they are saying, “Peace and safety!” then ^[b]destruction ^[c]will come upon them suddenly like labor pains upon a woman with child, and they will not escape.

1 John 2:18- Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that **antichrist** is coming, even now many antichrists have appeared; from this we know that it is the last hour.

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2 Thess. 2:8- Then that lawless one will be revealed whom the Lord will slay with the breath of His mouth and bring to an end by the appearance of His ^[f]coming.

Rev. 19:20- And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who performed the signs ^[h]in his presence, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image; these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire which burns with ^[i]brimstone.

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John 17:17-Sanctify them in the truth; Your word is truth.

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1 Pet. 1:10-11- As to this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that *would come* to you made careful searches and inquiries, ¹¹ ^[h]seeking to know what person or time the Spirit of Christ within them was indicating as He predicted the sufferings of Christ and the glories ^[i]to follow.

Rev. 22:10-And he *said to me, “Do not seal up the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is near.

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Dan. 7:28-At this point the revelation ended. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts were greatly alarming me and my ^[aj]face grew pale, but I kept the matter ^[ak]to myself.

1 Cor. 12:26-And if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if *one* member is ^[q]honored, all the members rejoice with it.

1 Cor. 10:31-Whether, then, you eat or drink or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

Dan. 12:8-9- As for me, I heard but could not understand; so I said, “My lord, what *will be* the ^[i]outcome of these *events*?” ⁹ He said, “Go *your way*, Daniel, for *these* words are concealed and sealed up until the end time.

Num. 6:24-26- The LORD bless you, and keep you; ²⁵ The LORD make His face shine on you, And be gracious to you; ²⁶ The LORD lift up His countenance on you, And give you peace.