



Chapter 8

The book of Daniel



The Morning Vision

- This vision is related to Persia and Greece.
- The Horn in this vision
- 8:1 “The third year of Belshazzar“
 - It is assumed that Belshazzar reigned 17 years before the Babylonian kingdom fell.



Media and Persia

- The RAM is Persia and Media
- The two horns are Media and Persia
- No beast: The powers of the world are usually from the devil.



The Horns

- The horn in old testament stands for strength and power. The bigger the horn, the stronger the animal and the better chance it has of winning.



Greece

- A male goat
- Alexander the great is the outstanding horn between his eyes.
- The Greek army was 30K compared to 2.5 M in the Persian empire?
- The 4 horns are
 - Seleucus, Perdiccas, Cassander, Ptolemeus;
- And out of one of them came forth a little horn: This is *Antiochus Epimanes - Antiochus the furious.*



The 4 Horns

- Seleucus Nicanor had Asia the Great (Paltestine and Persia till Pakistan's border)
- Perdiccas, and after him Antigonus, had Asia Minor;
- Cassander had Macedonia and Greece
- Ptolemeus had Egypt.



Antiochus Epiphanius

- Descendent of Salukis
- He was a ruler over Palestine
- Very cruel to the Jews.
- He made several prominent leaders in the community and church fall under him. Even the arch-priest.
- Resembles the Anti Christ



What did he do?

- He stopped the daily sacrifice (The Evening and the morning burnt offering)*
- He profaned the temple of God, made it the temple of Jupiter Olympius, and set up his image in it
- He forced the Jews to eat unclean animals

•The church does evening vespers and morning vespers copying what God told His people in the old testament

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The Lord responds to Daniel's query



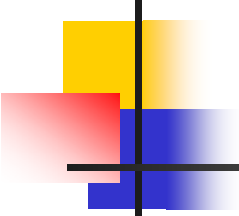
- ***Dan 8:13*** *Then I heard a certain holy one speaking, and another holy one said to that one who spoke*
- An Angel is asking the Lord Jesus “*Until when shall the vision last*”
- Others say it is Daniel speaking to Archangel Gabriel



For how long?

- For two thousand, three hundred evenings and mornings
- Almost 6 years.
- This is the exact duration of Antiochus' reign and the time he profaned the temple of God.
- This also similar to what will happen during the Anti-Christ and the end days.



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- Dan 8:27 And I Daniel fainted, and was sick *for* days. Afterward I rose up, and did the king's business. And I was amazed at the vision, **but there was no understanding.**



Comparison of the Horns

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Dan 7:8 and behold, there came up among them another little horn,	Dan 8:9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn
Comes after the Roman empire	Extension of one of the 4 kingdoms
Till the end of times	Till the purification of Jerusalem
Expression used: Another little horn	Expression used: another horn from the few
Heresies denying the divinity of Christ	Antiochus Epiphanius as an example of the anti Christ



Chapter 7



The Other Horn (Chp 7)

- 7:8 I was thinking about the horns, and behold, there came up among them **another** little horn, before whom three of the first horns were uprooted. And behold, in this horn *were* eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.



The Other Horn

- This horn can stand for the heresies that will follow the Roman Empire (Arius, and others) and deny the divinity of Christ.
- Can Stand for the Turkish Empire that destroyed Egypt, Turkey and Palestine.
- Mainly stands for the Anti Christ later on.
- Eyes stand for wisdom. Seems to be wise.
- Speaking great things: means heresies.



Vision of Christ

- 7:9-10 Christ on His throne
- 7:11 The last horn will remain till the end of days.
- Comfort is offered at the same time as the sad news
- Christ is offered as a sacrifice, His kingdom is forever
- קרב *ker-abe'*
- (Chaldee); corresponding to H7126: - approach, come (near, nigh), draw near.
- קרב
- qârab
- *kaw-rab'*
- A primitive root; to *approach* (causatively *bring near*) for whatever purpose: - (cause to) approach, (cause to) bring (forth, near), (cause to) come (near, nigh), (cause to) draw near (nigh), go (near), be at hand, join, be near, offer, present, produce, make ready, stand, take.



“Kawrab”

- **Heb 8:1** Now the sum of the things which we have spoken *is this*: We have such a High Priest, **who has sat down on *the right of the throne of the Majesty in Heaven***,
- Heb 8:2 a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.
- Heb 9:24 For Christ **has not entered** into the *Holy of Holies* made with hands, *which are* the figures of the true, **but into Heaven itself**, now to appear in the presence of God for us.
- Heb 9:25 Nor yet that He should offer Himself often, even as the high priest enters into the *Holy of Holies* every year with the blood of others
- **Heb 12:2** looking to Jesus the Author and Finisher of *our* faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured *the* cross, despising the shame, and **sat down at the right of the throne of God**.



The interpretation

- Dan 7:17 These great beasts, which are four, *are* four kings, *which* shall arise out of the earth.
- Dan 7:18 But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever.



The Anti-Christ

- **Dan 7:21** I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;
- **Dan 7:22** Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.
- **This Horn is seen as the Heresies that started after the Roman empire and end with the Anti-Christ**



The End times

- **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.**
- **Some believe that 3.5 years is the time of Anti-Christ.**
- **In General, it is a period given to allow people to repent and God's will to be declared. See Rev Chp 11 and others.**