

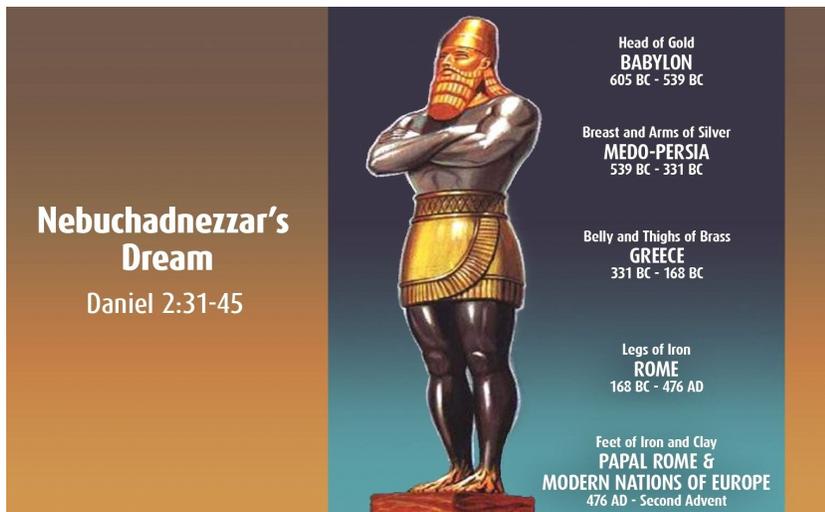
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Be Looking for the Day of the Lord

The Great Image



King Nebuchadnezzar Dream

- **The Gentile Nations**
- **Daniel Macgregor**
- **The vision therefore while having for its background the historic past presents to us the historic future = It points to the time when all the kingdoms represented by the image shall occupy in independent form the platform of existence together.**



Dream Was Fulfilled Over Time As Kingdoms Came and Went

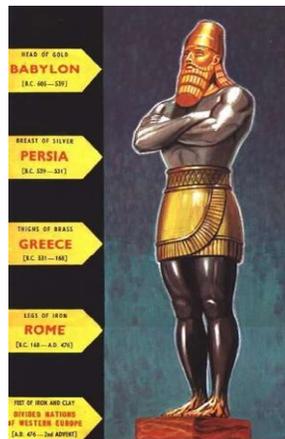
<u>Babylon</u>	<u>Media-Persia</u>	<u>Greece</u>	<u>Rome</u>
Head of Gold King Nebuchadnezzar, King's son last ruler 605-539 BC	Silver arms Took Babylon October 539 BC Darius and Cyrus	Brass Belly & Thighs Alexander the Great Started ruling 331 BC Greece broke into 2 parts	Legs of Iron, feet of clay & iron started ruling 168 BC broke into 2 legs, 476 AD 10 toed Kingdom 570 AD



Kingdoms Were Never Together at One Time Until 1830

In 1830 the Whole Image Came Together for 1 Year

- **Babylon** = Turkey as possessor of Chaldea represented Babylon as a world power in 1830
- **Persia** = Representing Media-Persia as a world power in 1830.
- **Greek Empire** = Was subdued by the Turks but reappeared as Greek Empire in 1830 as a world power
- **Rome** = Under the sovereignty of the pope representing Rome as world power in 1830



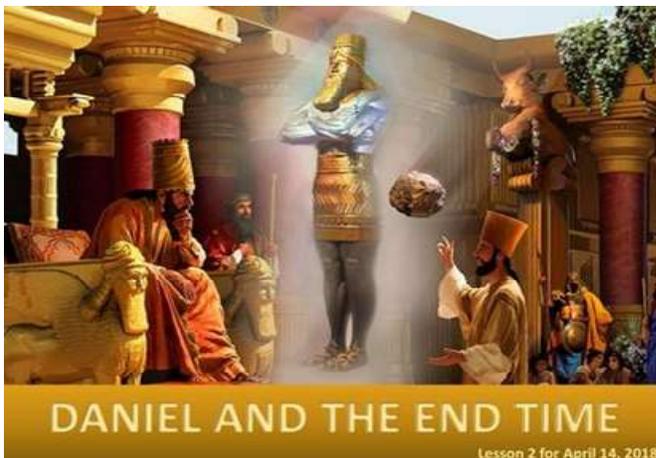
All There for 1 Year

- **10 Toe Kingdoms**
 - Austria
 - Bavaria
 - France
 - Naples
 - Netherlands
 - Portugal
 - Sardinia
 - Spain
 - Wurttemberg
- Macgregor says= "The Church/Kingdom was organized on the 6th day of April one month after the completion of the image."



Daniel Macgregor p.75-76 "The Roman Empire was not finally overthrown until the time of the Lombards. The restraining power was completely removed at their invasion that took place in 570 AD. . . . The Lombards promoted the rise of Papal Power. When the Lombard invasion swept into Italy, this forced the imperial governors and garrisons into the corners of the Italian peninsula. The popes left without any master to curb them . . . took authority upon themselves. The Popes taking secular authority over Rome reduced civil magistrates to a place of secondary importance. The Western Empire was extinguished and the way was thereby opened for the exaltation of the Papacy."

Daniel with Prophetic Power = Knew Stone would roll forth in the Latter Days = A Day when Knowledge Increased and Fast Travel = Chapter 12



- **Joseph Smith a Prophet of God = Gave this in Sept 1831**
- **Sec. 65 1c Yea, a voice crying, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, prepare ye the supper of the Lamb, make ready for the Bridegroom;**
- **1d Pray unto the Lord; call upon his holy name; make known his wonderful works among the people,**
- **call upon the Lord, that his kingdom may go forth upon the earth;**

Many prophecies in the scriptures are double layered . . . meaning they speak of that current day and time, but also speak of a time in the future. I believe this prophecy about the stone rolling forth is double layered, in the sense that the stone is God’s Kingdom but is also speaking of a counterfeit stone. Just as God sends forth His Restored Church = the stone that is cut out and eventually will fill the whole earth with “God’s Kingdom,” Satan sends forth a counterfeit stone = in 1834 Karl Marx, a young man, was developing the principles upon which Russia is built today, “Communism.” The Church has never been directed to make war with other nations, yet we see the stone destroying the Gentile nations.

Jeremiah 4:7 The lion is come up from his thicket, and the destroyer of the Gentiles is on his way; he is gone forth from his place to make thy land desolate; and thy cities shall be laid waste, without an inhabitant. **Doctrine and Covenants 102:4a Behold, the destroyer I have sent forth to destroy and lay waste mine enemies.** This was given in 1834, through Joseph Smith the prophet, at the same time that Karl Marx was developing his thoughts on Communism. The Communist manifesto was published in 1847.

Counterfeit Stone that Crushes the Toes

- Charles Fry “A Study in Prophecy”
- “By the toes being crushed suddenly = It shows us that the Gentile nations will suddenly come to a abrupt and complete end. There will be a transfer of dominion but it will not come in a peaceful way.
- It will be a day of (Falling Nations) but we will not be without a government”
- **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.



This understanding, that the Gentile nations will be destroyed in the Latter Days, is part of the reason it is important to study Daniel. Our minds must be refreshed by the words of the prophets and our understanding increased so that we will move forward to prepare ourselves for what is to come.

- **Hebrews 11: 7 By faith Noah, being warned of God of things not seen as yet, moved with fear, prepared an ark to the saving of his house; by the which he condemned the world, and became heir of the righteousness which is by faith. (Read D&C 1)**

Daniels dream of the 4 beasts sends us to Revelations
 Revelations 13:2 John describes the 4th beast as having
 head of a lion, body of a leopard and the feet of a bear
 4th beast had 7 heads = Rome built on 7 hills also the beast had 10
 horns = these are the 10 toed kingdoms and kings Rome broke into



Daniel 7th Chapter

• **Corresponds with Great Image in Chapter #2**

- **Daniel 7:3** And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.
- **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.
- **Sea = peoples and**
- **Multitudes, nations**
- **And tongues Rev. 17:15**
- Daniel lived to see
- Babylon and Media-Persia
- Daniel describes these
- Gentile kingdoms as devouring
- Beasts of prey. They are
- dangerous to anything that is living. **Lion is Babylon= Gold Head**



Its wings signify it was above the other nations of that day. It was lifted up above the other beasts and had a position of power. Two wings = Nebuchadnezzar and his son Belshazzar. It walked like a man and had the heart of a man = this means it was of the earth, it had human failings. Acted like a man, not God. Natural man is an enemy to God. Babylon was an enemy to God. **Mosiah 1:119** For the natural man is an enemy to God, and has been, from the fall of Adam, and will be, forever and ever.

2nd Beast is a Bear = Media- Persia

Daniel 7:5 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. **The bear raised itself on one side = King Darius was a sub-king to King Cyrus. King Cyrus was more powerful. One side more powerful than the other, so it was raised up.**

**3 ribs in his mouth =
3 kingdoms they conquered,
Egypt, Babylon and Lydia.**

**Teeth is its viciousness,
And its terrible
devouring army**



Bear is Media - Persia

3rd Beast like a Leopard = Greece

- Daniel 7:6 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.
- **Alexander the Great died young**
- **The 4 wings are the sub-nations**
- **Greece was divided into.**
- **Egypt, Syria, Macedonia,**
- **and Asia.**
- **The 4 Heads are the 4**
- **generals who governed**
- **these kingdoms**
- **But eventually they**
- **became 2 major kingdoms**
- **North and South Kingdoms**
- **Yet they functioned still as one**
- **government one nation.**
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Greece

The 4th Beast to come out of the water = Rome

- Dan. 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 other
- Beasts that were
- before it and
- it had ten horns
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Rome

This beast was not given an identity. But we find a description in Revelation , 13th chapter.

Revelation 13:1-2 And I saw another sign, in the likeness of the kingdoms of the earth; a beast rise up out of the sea, and he stood upon the sand 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.

Daniel was alarmed. He had never seen such a beast. The previous kingdoms had one conqueror that controlled the kingdom. Even Greece, after Alexander the Great died, managed to have a unified government. But Rome became a federation of countries and all these countries gave their allegiance to the beast. It took 100 years, but when the Lombards came in 570 AD the beast arose, as they helped to give the beast great power!! Its power came from all the nations who gave allegiance to it.

- The 10 horns on the beast in revelations tell us it is the same beast in Daniel. The 10 horns also are the same as the 10 toes on the Great Image.

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4 Let no man deceive you by any means; for there shall come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; 4 Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshiped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

570 AD = Rome Fell = Authority fell to the Papal Church and they acquired all the civil military power as well as spiritual power 570 AD



The Exceeding Dreadful Beast

- W. E. H. Lecky says: **"the Church of Rome has shed more innocent blood than any other institution that has ever existed among mankind"**
- - "History of the Rise and Influence of the Spirit of Rationalism in Europe," Vol. II, p. 32. London: Longmans, Green, and Co., 1910.
- **Teeth of Iron**
- **1. Political Power = power over kings and nations, Inherited all the power of roman empire**
- **2. Sea =Grew to have Power over Multitudes and Nations = commands the wonder of the whole world**
- **3. Seven Heads = Headquarters is Situated in Rome= known as the "Seven Hilled City"**
- **4. 10 Horns = 10 Kings support it = The boast of the Church of Rome for a thousand years is that she commands the nations she rent the Roman Empire into 10 kingdoms.**



- 5. the wild beast represents an idolatrous power as well as a religious power
- 6. It represents a war like power = The wars of the Crusades were all largely the result of papal planning.
- 7. It represents a Blasphemous power, "speaking great blasphemies"
- 8. A persecuting power = "Make war with the saints"

People Who disagreed With the Church/Pope, Were Called Heretics & Tortured



• Dowling in his History of Romanism says =

- **"From the birth of Popery it is estimated by careful and credible historians, that more than fifty millions of the human family, have been slaughtered for the crime of heresy by popish persecutors, an average of more than forty thousand religious murders for every year of the existence of popery."** –

"History of Romanism," pp. 541, 542. New York: 1871

The Woman is the church and the child the Kingdom of God

- Revelation 12
1 And there appeared a great sign in heaven, in the likeness of things on the earth; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars.....
- 2 And the woman being with child, cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.....

- **4 And the dragon stood before the woman which was delivered, ready to devour her child after it was born.**



The 4th Beast of Daniel is same as in revelations 13 and the dragon gives it its power



Revelations 17th Chapter = McGregor says = the waters are peoples & nations and the Whore sitteth upon them, bespeaks an exercise of spiritual domination over those nations by some wicked and apostate church.



The Apostasy and Dark Ages = 1260 Years

- Rev. 12:5 And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she had a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore years.



Daniel = The Little Horn that speaks

- Macgregor p.96
- Marvelous Work and a Wonder
 - Names by which
 - the pope was called
- Our Lord God the Pope, King of Kings, His Majesty Devine, The Lamb of God, The Holy and Good God of the Christians....
- The power of the pope is greater than all created power, extending itself to things celestial, terrestrial, and infernal, and that the pope doeth whatsoever he listeth even things unlawful, and is more than God.

• The Little Horn Pope



In verse 15 note that Daniel is grieved in his spirit and the visions of the four beasts trouble him greatly. Why was this so? Daniel was grieved because he saw the loss of life, the loss of souls. He had seen the tribulations that would come upon men. He saw how Satan would have power over many souls, deceiving them. He asked for an interpretation and then was shown more, even the end. **Daniel 7:18 But the saints of the Most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever.**

Herein is our hope today, "God's Kingdom."

Daniel 12:7

- Daniel saw Christ and 2 angels. Most likely Michael and Gabriel? Both are mentioned in Daniel.
- Michael in Dan. 10:13
- Gabriel in Dan. 8:16

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"All these things shall be finished."—Dan. xii. 7.

Daniel 12: 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 swore by him that liveth forever, that it shall be for a time, times, and a half

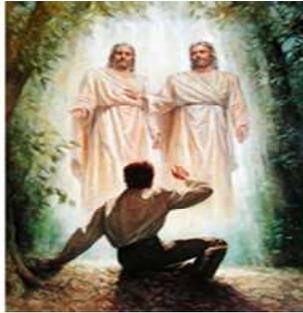
- **Time = 1 year = 360**
- **Times = 2 years = 720**
 - **½ Times = 180**
- **All = 360 + 720 + 180 = 1260**

Also Rev. 13:5

**Forty and two Months when reduced to days
30 days to each month
30 X 42 = 1260 Years**

Christ's Church Was Restored on April 6th 1830

- 1830
- -570 = 1260



The Church in The Latter Days



Our Unique Calling = Sec 11:3b seek to bring forth and establish the cause of Zion.

Secular churches = looking for a group who will develop the Kingdom

- **Rev.12:2 And the woman (the church) being with child, cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.**
- **Read the hymn Admonition = Joseph Luff**

Child is the Kingdom/Zion



This Prophecy=Time Frame

helps us to recognize the signs of the times

Luke 21:24 Now these things he spake unto them, concerning the destruction of Jerusalem. And then his disciples asked him, saying, Master, tell us concerning thy coming?

21:25 And he answered them, and said, In the generation in which the times of the Gentiles shall be fulfilled, there shall be signs in the sun, and in the moon, and in the stars; and upon the earth distress of nations with perplexity, like the sea and the waves roaring. The earth also shall be troubled, and the waters of the great deep; (times fulfilled 1948 Israel a nation)

21:26 Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth. For the powers of heaven shall be shaken.

21:27 And when these things begin to come to pass, then look up and lift up your heads, for the day of your redemption draweth nigh.

21:28 And then shall they see the Son of Man coming in a cloud, with power and great glory.

21:29 And he spake to them a parable, saying, Behold the fig tree, and all the trees.

21:30 When they now shoot forth, ye see, and know of your own selves, that summer is now nigh at hand (Fig Tree is symbol of Israel)

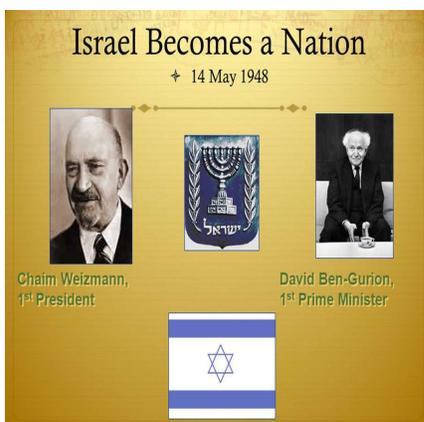
21:31 So likewise ye, when ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand.

21:32 Verily I say unto you, this generation, the generation when the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled, shall not pass away till all be fulfilled.

4th Generation

Charles Fry in his book "A Study in Prophecy" says: "These days of climax, both of dread calamity and glorious achievement, are the culmination, not merely of immediate causes, but of conditions and events of human making from the beginning of the world. Human actions are cumulative in their effects . . . forcing radical changes on an unwilling humanity. Always before the climaxes have been limited to a nation, or a few nations, except in the case of the deluge, but now we are facing culmination that will be world-wide, involving all nations, both Gentile and Israel. Apparently all the prophets saw this day and wrote of it."

God Moves in The Affairs of Men



What is Yet to Happen????

- Are There Other Signs Around Us of Prophecy being Fulfilled?
- DC 1:7 Search these commandments, for they are true and faithful, and the prophecies and promises which are in them shall all be fulfilled. 8 and though the heavens and the earth pass away, my word shall not pass away, but shall all be fulfilled,
Read 4th Chapter of Daniel

