



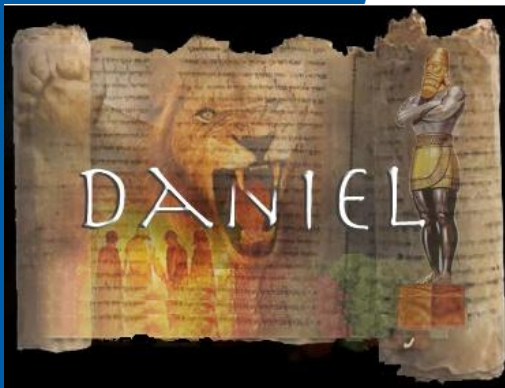
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Lesson 07

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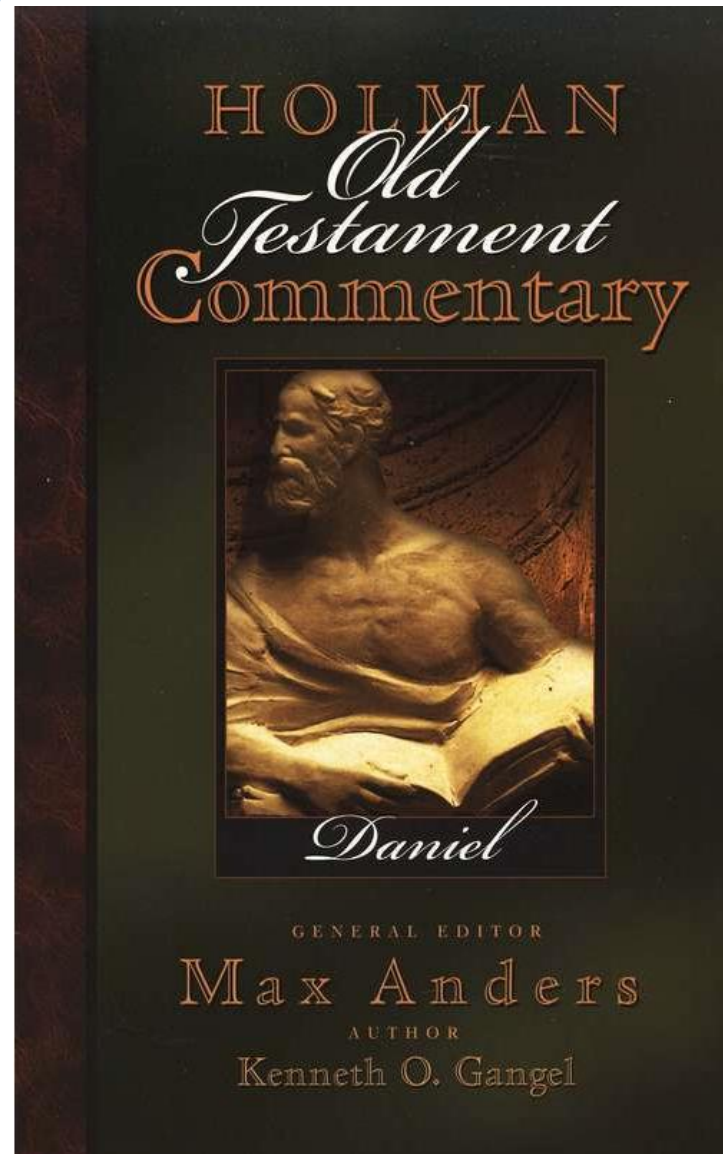
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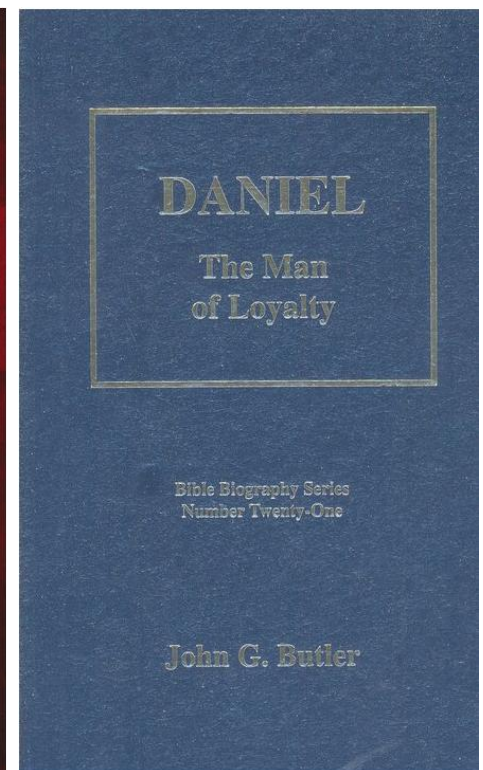
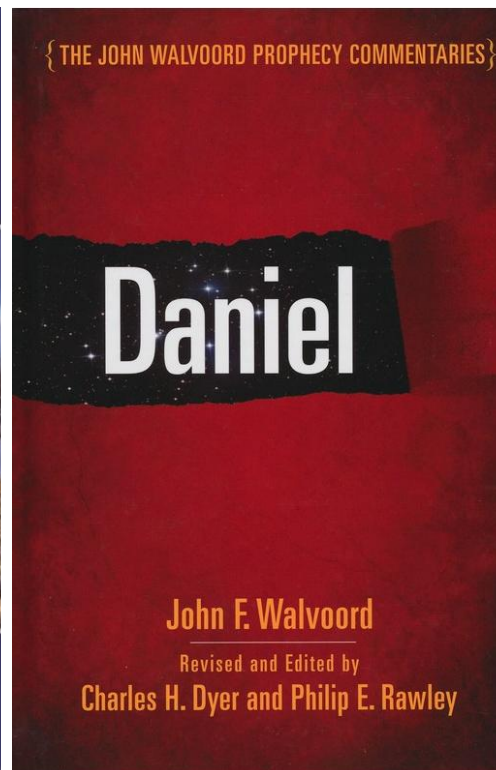
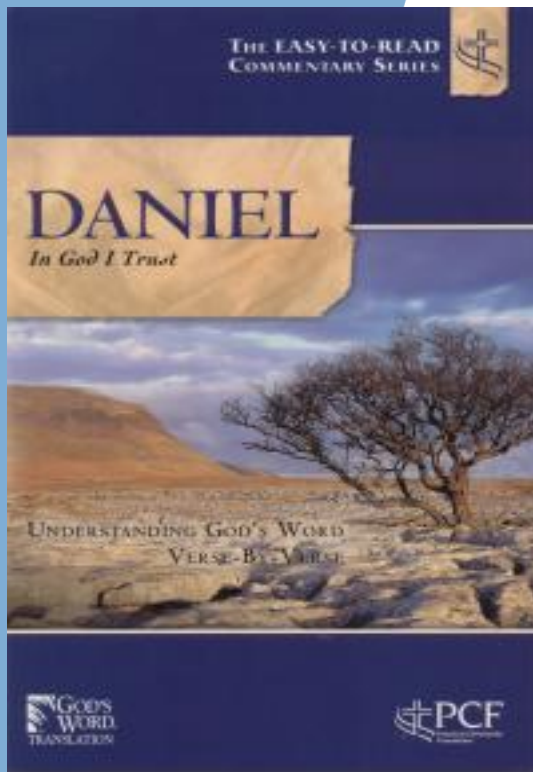
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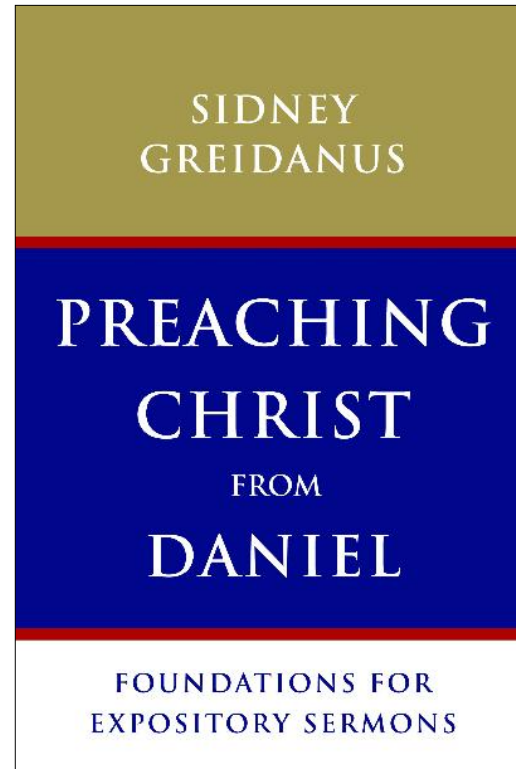
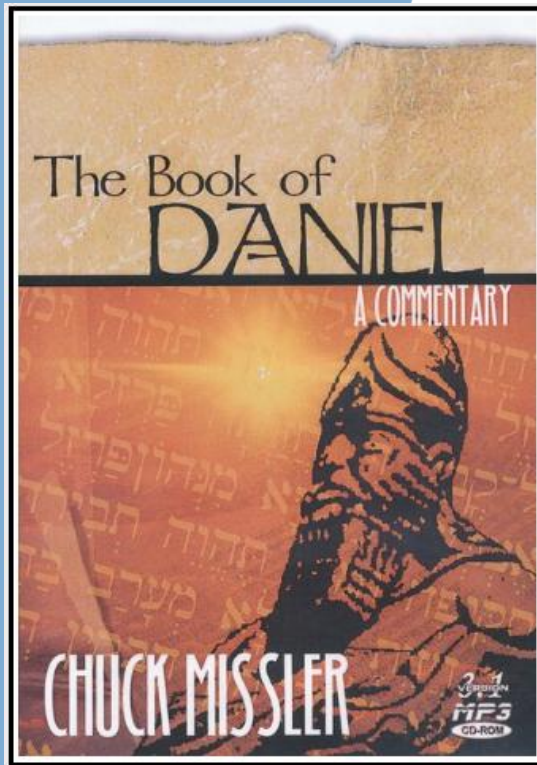


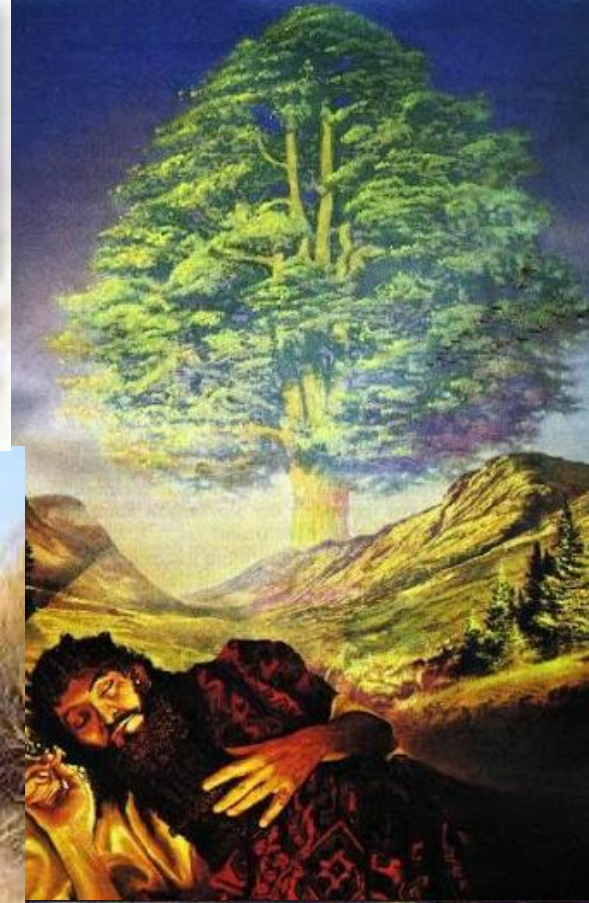
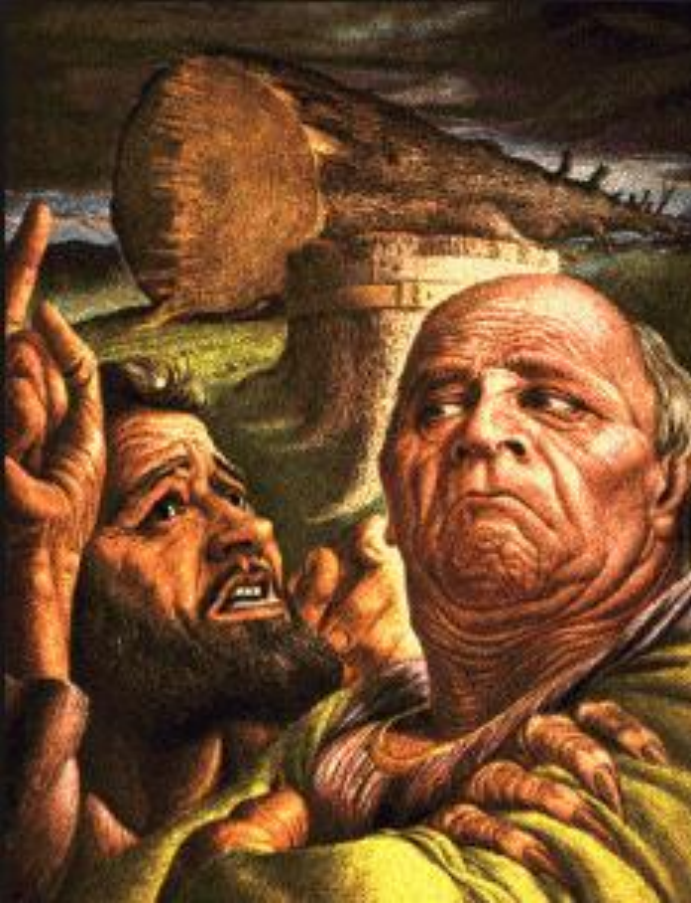
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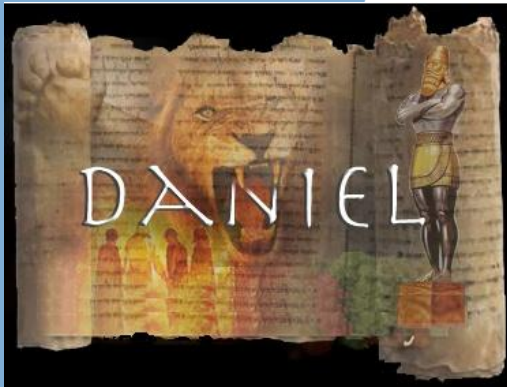
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THE BOOK OF DANIEL





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This weeks lesson.

Book of Daniel - Structure



Book of Daniel											
01	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Hebrew	Aramaic						Hebrew				
HISTORICAL - NARRATIVE						VISIONS - PROPHEPIC					

Book of Daniel									
01 606 BC	02 602 BC	03 580 BC	04 570 BC			05 539 BC	06 538 BC		
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01	Deported as a teenager.
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04	Nebuchadnezzar pride.
05	Belshazzar's feast: the fall of Babylon.
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A Man Outstanding in His Field

Text – New King James Version

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Daniel 4:19-27 - NKJV



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--- Daniel 4:26-27 ... NKJV

Nebuchadnezzar's Humiliation

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--- Daniel 4:28-30 ... NKJV

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Nebuchadnezzar's Humiliation

Daniel 4:28-33 - NKJV



33 That very hour the word was fulfilled concerning Nebuchadnezzar; he was driven from men and ate grass like oxen; his body was wet with the dew of heaven till his hair had grown like eagles' *feathers* and his nails like birds' *claws*.

--- Daniel 4:33 ... NKJV

Nebuchadnezzar Praises God

Daniel 4:34-37 - NKJV



34 And at the end of the time I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my understanding returned to me; and I blessed the Most High and praised and honored Him who lives forever:

For His dominion *is* an everlasting dominion,
And His kingdom *is* from generation to generation.

--- Daniel 4:34 ... NKJV

Nebuchadnezzar Praises God

Daniel 4:34-37 - NKJV



35 All the inhabitants of the earth *are* reputed as nothing;
He does according to His will in the army of heaven
And *among* the inhabitants of the earth.
No one can restrain His hand
Or say to Him, "What have You done?"

--- Daniel 4:35 ... NKJV

Nebuchadnezzar Praises God

Daniel 4:34-37 - NKJV



36 At the same time my reason returned to me, and for the glory of my kingdom, my honor and splendor returned to me. My counselors and nobles resorted to me, I was restored to my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added to me.

--- Daniel 4:36 ... NKJV

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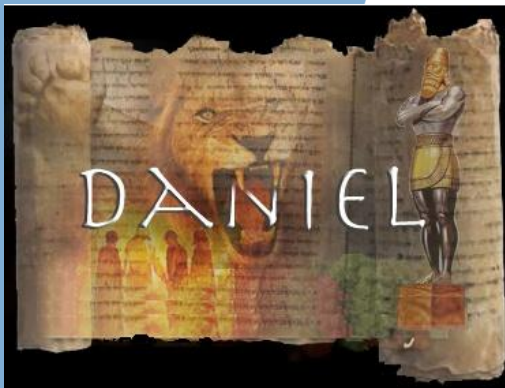


37 Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, all of whose works *are* truth, and His ways justice. And those who walk in pride He is able to put down.

--- Daniel 4:37 ... NKJV



Lesson Outline





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Daniel 4:19-27





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■ Daniel Astonished and Troubled

- Why the use of both names ... Daniel and Belteshazzar?
 - ✓ Gentile Name: Decree given throughout the kingdom ... Belteshazzar
 - ✓ Hebrew Name: To Honor the God of the Hebrews ... Daniel
- Astonished for a Time
 - ✓ Overwhelmed with awe at the terrible import of the dream
 - ✓ Delays for a time
 - To compose himself
 - To compose how he will tell the king - bad news
- Troubled him
 - ✓ Daniel knows the interpretation
 - ✓ He must now tell the king

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 - ✓ The wish is not so much against others as for the king
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⁷ And seek the peace of the city where I have caused you to be carried away captive, and pray to the LORD for it; for in its peace you will have peace.
-- Jeremiah 29:7.. NKJV



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32 And the king said to the Cushite, "Is the young man Absalom safe?" So the Cushite answered, "May the enemies of my lord the king, and all who rise against you to do harm, be like *that* young man!"
-- 2 Samuel 18:32.. NKJV

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43 "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy.' **44** But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you,
-- Matthew 5:43-44.. NKJV

Daniel 4:20-21 - Observations



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■ Tree .. (Repeat) Dream Components and Characteristics

- Grew and became strong ... was not originally strong - grew to be strong
- Height reached to the heavens ... Atmospheric possibly Cosmic
- Could be seen by all the earth ... a world empire
- Leaves were lovely ... beautiful to behold
- Fruits abundant ... prosperous
- Food for all ... self sustaining
- Beasts dwell under it - in its shade ... protection, security
- Birds in the branches ... shelter



Daniel 4:22 - Observations

²² it *is* you, O king, who have grown and become strong; for your greatness has grown and reaches to the heavens, and your dominion to the end of the earth.

- Interpretation ... It is you, O King
 - Tree: King Nebuchadnezzar
- Dominion to the End of the Earth
 - Jeremiah 27:6-8

Sovereignty Of God

⁶ And now I have given all these lands into the hand of Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, My servant; and the beasts of the field I have also given him to serve him. ⁷ So all nations shall serve him and his son and his son's son, until the time of his land comes; and then many nations and great kings shall make him serve them. ⁸ And it shall be, *that* the nation and kingdom which will not serve Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, and which will not put its neck under the yoke of the king of Babylon, that nation I will punish,' says the LORD, 'with the sword, the famine, and the pestilence, until I have consumed them by his hand.— Jeremiah 27:6-8 .. NKJV

Daniel 4:23 - Observations



²³“And inasmuch as the king saw a watcher, a holy one, coming down from heaven and saying, ‘Chop down the tree and destroy it, but leave its stump and roots in the earth, *bound* with a band of iron and bronze in the tender grass of the field; let it be wet with the dew of heaven, and let him graze with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him’;

■ Watcher - (Repeat) Dream Components

- Holy one, come down from heaven ... Angel or Messenger
- Chop down the tree and destroy it
- Leave its stump and roots in the earth ... hope for renewal
- Bind stump with a band of iron and bronze
- Stump in the tender grass of the field
- Stump wet with the dew of heaven
- Let **him** graze with the beasts of the field ... transition to personal pronoun
- For how long? Until seven times pass over him ... *7 years*

Daniel 4:24 - Observations



²⁴ this is the interpretation, O king, and this is the decree of the Most High, which has come upon my lord the king:

■ Decree of the Most High

- In Daniel 4:17 : **Nebuchadnezzar** "*the decree of the watchers*"
 - ✓ Watchers: Angels or God's messengers
- Here more accurately termed by **Daniel** "*the decree of the Most High*"
 - ✓ All that will come to pass will be by decree of the Most High

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Daniel 4:25 - Observations



²⁵ They shall drive you from men, your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make you eat grass like oxen. They shall wet you with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over you, till you know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He chooses.

■ Specifics of the Interpretation

- You O king will ...
 - ✓ Go insane
 - ✓ Live among the beasts of the field
 - ✓ Eat grass like oxen
 - ✓ Wet with the dew of heaven
- This judgment will last for 7 years
 - ✓ God chose grace and not vengeance in dealing with Nebuchadnezzar
 - God deals with us in grace and not vengeance
 - God's goal for the king and for use is redemption, reconciliation
 - ✓ By God's grace ... the King knew that
 - There would be an end to his insanity - once it came
 - His kingdom would be restored

¹⁸ Now all things *are* of God, who has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation,¹⁹ that is, that God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, not imputing their trespasses to them, and has committed to us the word of reconciliation.

²⁰ Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore *you* on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For He made Him who knew no sin *to be* sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

– 2 Corinthians 5: 18-21.. NKJV

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■ Purpose of the King's Punishment

- To know the Sovereignty of God - the Most High
 - ✓ That the Most High rules in the kingdoms of men
 - ✓ That the Most High gives it to whomever He chooses

¹⁷ Let them be confounded and dismayed forever;
Yes, let them be put to shame and perish,
¹⁸ That they may know that You, whose name alone *is* the LORD,
Are the Most High over all the earth.

– Psalm 83:17-18 .. NKJV

Daniel 4:26 - Observations



26 “And inasmuch as they gave the command to leave the stump *and* roots of the tree, your kingdom shall be assured to you, **after you come to know that Heaven rules.**

■ Conditional Restoration

- Trigger that causes what was lost to be restored or re-established
- King Nebuchadnezzar
 - ✓ **TRIGGER**
 - After you come to know that Heaven rules
 - After you acknowledge the sovereignty of God the Most High
 - ✓ **RESTORED - WHAT WAS LOST**
 - King’s sanity
 - King’s kingdom
- Believer
 - ✓ **TRIGGER**
 - After you come to know Jesus as your personal Savior
 - “born-again believer” ... ABC
 - ✓ **RESTORED - WHAT WAS LOST**
 - Relationship with God
 - Eternal life

Daniel 4:27 - Observations



27 Therefore, O king, let my advice be acceptable to you; break off your sins by *being* righteous, and your iniquities by showing mercy to *the* poor. Perhaps there may be a lengthening of your prosperity.”

■ Daniel's Advice

• Sage council to Nebuchadnezzar and to us

- ✓ Break off your sins ... sin is a heavy yoke
- ✓ Be righteous
- ✓ Show mercy to the poor

41 Blessed *is* he who considers the poor;
The LORD will deliver him in time of trouble.
2 The LORD will preserve him and keep him alive,
And he will be blessed on the earth;
You will not deliver him to the will of his enemies.
3 The LORD will strengthen him on his bed of illness;
You will sustain him on his sickbed.
— Psalm 41:1-3.. NKJV

28 Come to Me, all *you* who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. **29** Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. **30** For My yoke *is* easy and My burden is light.”

— Matthew 11:28-30.. NKJV

33 But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you. **34** Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day *is* its own trouble.

— Matthew 6:33-34.. NKJV



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■ Perhaps ...

- Walvoord, *Daniel*, page 133

Nebuchadnezzar is not promised forgiveness on the basis of good works or alms to the poor; rather, the issue was that, if he were a wise and benevolent king, he would alleviate the necessity of God's intervening with immediate judgment because of his pride.

— John F. Walvoord, *Daniel*, page 133, 2012

Principle - Application Table ... Daniel 4:19-27



Daniel Chapter 04		
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Interpretation of the Dream... Daniel 4:19-27		
19-27	God has reconciled us to Himself through Jesus Christ.	<p>I resolve to remember and praise God for His work of reconciliation through Jesus.</p> <p>²⁰ Now then, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were pleading through us: we implore <i>you</i> on Christ's behalf, be reconciled to God. ²¹ For He made Him who knew no sin <i>to be</i> sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.</p> <p>... 1 Corinthians 5:20-21</p>



A Man Outstanding In His Field

Fulfillment of the Dream

Daniel 4:28-33





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Daniel 4:28-29 - Observations



²⁸ All *this* came upon King Nebuchadnezzar. ²⁹ At the end of the twelve months he was walking about the royal palace of Babylon.

■ Interpretation Comes to Fruition

- **WHEN:**

- ✓ At the end of 12 months ... 1 year after Daniel's interpretation is given

- **WHERE:**

- ✓ King's royal palace in Babylon

Nebuchadnezzar's Babylon

Origin: Genesis 10:8-10

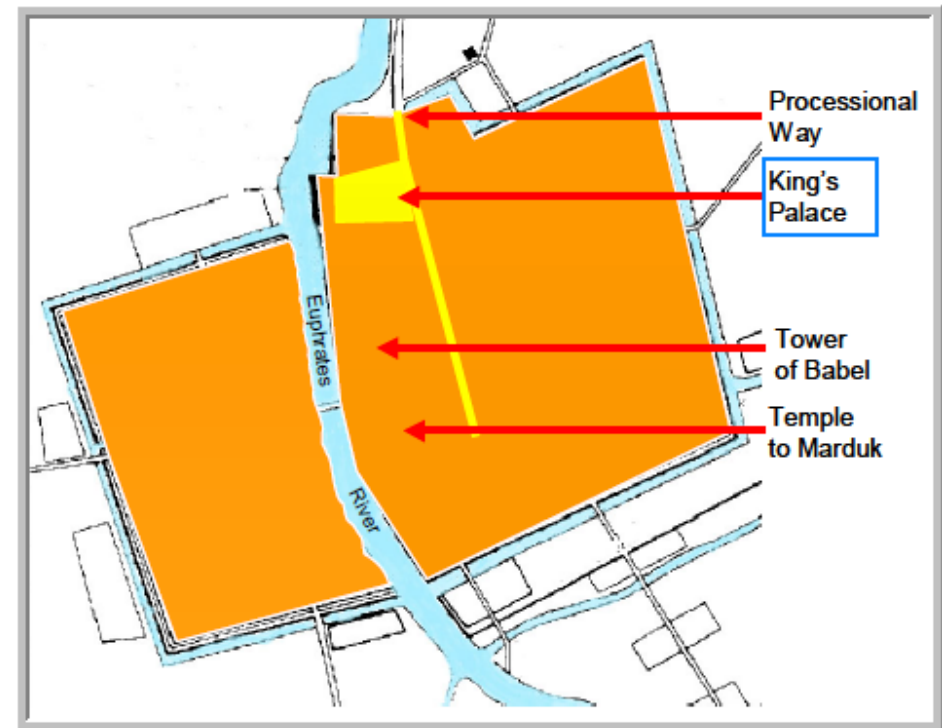
Built By: Nimrod ... *1st World Dictator*

Size: 15 miles square

Walls: 300 feet high, 80 feet wide (*6 chariots*)

Mote: Around the city, *Euphrates*

Watchtowers: 250, *100 feet above wall*



Historical Context - City of Babylon



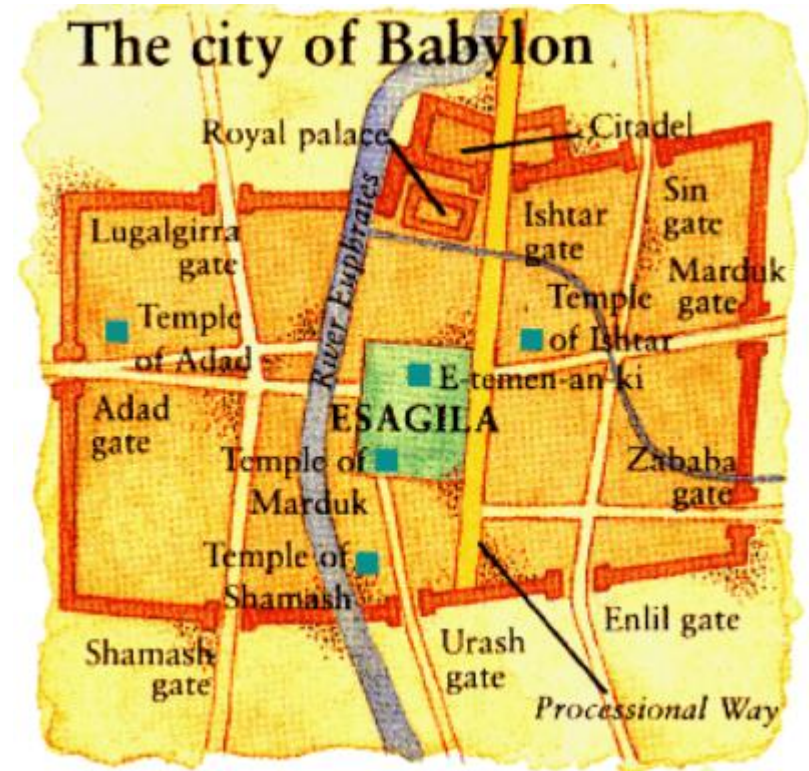
- In its Heyday, Babylon was the Greatest City in the World

- City's Wall

- Sixty Miles - Circumference
 - ✓ Fifteen Miles on Each Side
- Three Hundred Feet High
- Eighty Feet Thick
- Thirty-Five Feet Below the Ground
 - ✓ Prevent Enemies from Tunneling
- Over Two Hundred Towers
- Over One Hundred Brass Gates

- Waters of Euphrates

- Flowed through the City
- Provided Water for the City's Moat
 - ✓ Moat ran along the City Wall



Historical Context - City of Babylon



Daniel 4:30 - Observations



³⁰ The king spoke, saying, "Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for a royal dwelling by my mighty power and for the honor of my majesty?"

■ Nebuchadnezzar Has "I" Trouble

- Major ego problem ... Lost sight of God the Most High
 - ✓ I have built
 - ✓ My mighty power
 - ✓ My majesty
- Warning to the Jewish Exile readers and to Us
 - ✓ God is the source of all blessing
 - ✓ God is the source of all our "achievement"
 - ✓ God is a jealous God
 - He will not share His honor
 - » With anyone
 - » With anything
 - ✓ God Hates Pride

Daniel 4:31 - Observations



31 While the word *was still* in the king's mouth, a voice fell from heaven: "King Nebuchadnezzar, to you it is spoken: the kingdom has departed from you!"

■ Consequence of Pride

- Word was still in the king's mouth - "*still on his lips*"
 - ✓ Voice from heaven
 - Directed at King Nebuchadnezzar ...
 - » To you it is spoken
 - Kingdom **has** departed from you ... Note tense ... **has**
 - » Judgment is final
 - » Judgment has already started in God's timing
 - » Reminiscent of Saul's judgment
 - » The Lord has torn the kingdom of Israel from you
 - » 1 Samuel 15:27-29

27 And as Samuel turned around to go away, *Saul* seized the edge of his robe, and it tore. **28** So Samuel said to him, "The LORD has torn the kingdom of Israel from you today, and has given it to a neighbor of yours, *who is* better than you. **29** And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor relent. For He *is* not a man, that He should relent."

— 1 Samuel 15:27-29.. NKJV

Daniel 4:32 - Observations



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■ God Repeats His Words of Judgment

- Fulfillment of Dream and Interpretation
 - ✓ Interpretation Given by Daniel ... verse 25
 - ✓ Fulfillment Given by Voice from Heaven
- Pride comes before fall
 - ✓ Nebuchadnezzar is about to fall
 - ✓ Reminiscent of the fall of Lucifer
 - 5 “I will’s” of Lucifer
 - Fall to Satan ... Isaiah 14:12-21
- Pride is of the “world”
 - ✓ Do not love the world ... 1 John 2:15-17

¹⁵ Do not love the world or the things in the world. If anyone loves the world, the love of the Father is not in him. ¹⁶ For all that *is* in the world—the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life—is not of the Father but is of the world. ¹⁷ And the world is passing away, and the lust of it; but he who does the will of God abides forever.
— 1 John 2:15-17.. NKJV

God Hates Pride ... Sampling of Passages



Verse	Scripture Passage
Proverbs 6:16-19	<p>¹⁶These six <i>things</i> the LORD hates, Yes, seven <i>are</i> an abomination to Him: ¹⁷A proud look, A lying tongue, Hands that shed innocent blood, ¹⁸A heart that devises wicked plans, Feet that are swift in running to evil, ¹⁹A false witness <i>who</i> speaks lies, And one who sows discord among brethren.</p>
Proverbs 16:5	<p>⁵Everyone proud in heart <i>is</i> an abomination to the LORD; <i>Though they join</i> forces, none will go unpunished.</p>
Proverbs 16:18	<p>¹⁸Pride <i>goes</i> before destruction, And a haughty spirit before a fall.</p>
Proverbs 26:12	<p>¹²Do you see a man wise in his own eyes? <i>There is</i> more hope for a fool than for him.</p>
Proverbs 29:23	<p>²³A man's pride will bring him low, But the humble in spirit will retain honor.</p>
1 Corinthians 4:6-7	<p>⁶Now these things, brethren, I have figuratively transferred to myself and Apollos for your sakes, that you may learn in us not to think beyond what is written, that none of you may be puffed up on behalf of one against the other.⁷For who makes you differ <i>from another</i>? And what do you have that you did not receive? Now if you did indeed receive <i>it</i>, why do you boast as if you had not received <i>it</i>?</p>
Philippians 2:2-8	<p>²fulfill my joy by being like-minded, having the same love, <i>being</i> of one accord, of one mind. ³<i>Let</i> nothing <i>be done</i> through selfish ambition or conceit, but in lowliness of mind let each esteem others better than himself.⁴Let each of you look out not only for his own interests, but also for the interests of others. ⁵Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, ⁷but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, <i>and</i> coming in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to <i>the point of</i> death, even the death of the cross.</p>

Daniel 4:33 - Observations



³³ That very hour the word was fulfilled concerning Nebuchadnezzar; he was driven from men and ate grass like oxen; his body was wet with the dew of heaven till his hair had grown like eagles' *feathers* and his nails like birds' *claws*.

■ Nebuchadnezzar Goes Insane

- PHYSICAL: Supernatural conversion
 - ✓ Condition of his heart to match physical condition
 - ✓ Hair grown **like** eagles' feathers
 - ✓ Nails **like** birds' claws
- MENTAL: Condition known as Zoanthropy
 - ✓ See next slide

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- Zoanthropy

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Definition of ZOANTHROPY

: a monomania in which a person believes himself changed into an animal and acts like one

Origin of ZOANTHROPY

zo- + -anthropy (as in *lycanthropy*)

Clinical Lycanthropy



■ Lycanthropy

- Greek: *lychos* ... means **wolf**
- Greek: *anthopos* ... means **man**



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Clinical lycanthropy

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Clinical lycanthropy is defined as a rare psychiatric syndrome that involves a delusion that the affected person can transform into, has transformed into, or is a non-human animal.^[1] Its name is connected to the mythical condition of lycanthropy, a supernatural affliction in which humans are said to physically shapeshift into wolves.^[2]

Symptoms

Affected individuals report a delusional belief that they are in the process of transforming into an animal or have already transformed into an animal. It has been linked with the altered states of mind that accompany psychosis (the reality-bending mental state that typically involves delusions and hallucinations) with the transformation only seeming to happen in the mind and behavior of the affected person.

Principle - Application Table ... Daniel 4:28-33



Daniel Chapter 04		
Verse	Principle	Application
Fulfillment of the Dream... Daniel 4:28-33		
28-33	God hates pride.	I resolve to remain humble and resist any incursion of pride in my life. ⁶ But He gives more grace. Therefore He says: "God resists the proud, But gives grace to the humble."



A Man Outstanding In His Field

Nebuchadnezzar Praises God

Daniel 4:34-37





■ Lesson 07: A Man Outstanding in His Field

[Daniel 4:19-37]

- Interpretation of the Dream... [Daniel 4:19-27]
- Fulfillment of the Dream... [Daniel 4:28-33]
- Nebuchadnezzar Praises God... [Daniel 4:34-37]



Outline of what we will cover in this lesson.

Daniel 4:34 - Observations



34 And at the end of the time I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my understanding returned to me; and I blessed the Most High and praised and honored Him who lives forever:

For His dominion *is* an everlasting dominion,
And His kingdom *is* from generation to generation.

■ Nebuchadnezzar Looks to Heaven

• Lifted my eyes to heaven

✓ Looking up to heaven was the first sign of understanding

- My understanding returned to me

✓ Result of looking to Heaven

- I blessed the Most High

- Praised and Honored Him who lives forever

✓ Application for Us ... Look to Heaven

- No matter what you are going through ... *Look to Jesus via the Holy Spirit*

» He will never leave us

» He will never forsake us

• SONG: Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

Daniel 4:35 - Observations



³⁵ All the inhabitants of the earth *are* reputed as nothing;
He does according to His will in the army of heaven
And *among* the inhabitants of the earth.
No one can restrain His hand
Or say to Him, "What have You done?"

■ Nebuchadnezzar Concludes His Praise

- The king ends as he started
 - ✓ Recognizing the Sovereignty of God
 - **Heaven:** His will in the army of heaven
 - **Earth:** Among the inhabitants of the earth
 - God answers to no one or creature
 - » Say to Him, "What have You done?"

Sovereignty Of God
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Daniel 4:36 - Observations



³⁶ At the same time my reason returned to me, and for the glory of my kingdom, my honor and splendor returned to me. My counselors and nobles resorted to me, I was restored to my kingdom, and excellent majesty was added to me.

■ Nebuchadnezzar Restored

- Reason returned
- Glory of the kingdom returned
- Honor and splendor returned
- Counselors and nobles restored
- Excellent majesty **was added**
 - ✓ Authority was greater than before
 - ✓ Reminiscent of Job's restoration
 - Job 1:1-3, 42:12
 - Doubles possessions
 - » All except his children
 - » Why?

1 There was a man in the land of Uz, whose name *was* Job; and that man was blameless and upright, and one who feared God and shunned evil. **2** And **seven sons and three daughters** were born to him. **3** Also, his possessions were **seven thousand sheep, three thousand camels, five hundred yoke of oxen, five hundred female donkeys**, and a very large household, so that this man was the greatest of all the people of the East.

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12 Now the LORD blessed the latter *days* of Job more than his beginning; for he had **fourteen thousand sheep, six thousand camels, one thousand yoke of oxen, and one thousand female donkeys**. **13** He also had **seven sons and three daughters**.

- Job 1:1-3, 42:12.. NKJV

Daniel 4:37 - Observations



37 Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, all of whose works *are* truth, and His ways justice. And those who walk in pride He is able to put down.

■ Nebuchadnezzar Concludes

- This is the last we hear from Nebuchadnezzar in scripture
- Last words
 - ✓ Praise and extol and honor the King of heaven
 - ✓ King of heaven - God Most High ..
 - Whose works are Truth and His ways Justice ...
 - » God's word is truth
 - » John 17:17
 - » "wash them with your word, thy word is truth"
 - » Jesus is truth
 - » John 14:6
 - » "I am the way, the truth and the life"
 - ✓ Confession of the redeemed in Revelation
 - Revelation 15:3-4
 - Revelation 16:7



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⁷ And I heard another from the altar saying, "Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous *are* Your judgments.
- Revelation 16:7.. NKJV

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✓ Confession of the redeemed in Revelation

- Revelation 15:3-4
- Revelation 16:7

³ They sing the song of Moses, the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying: "Great and marvelous *are* Your works, Lord God Almighty!
Just and true *are* Your ways, O King of the saints!
⁴ Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name?
For *You* alone *are* holy.
For all nations shall come and worship before You,
For Your judgments have been manifested."
- Revelation 15:3-4.. NKJV

Principle - Application Table ... Daniel 4:34-37



Daniel Chapter 04		
Verse	Principle	Application
Nebuchadnezzar Praised God... Daniel 4:34-37		
34-37	God wants us to trust Him for everything, and to recognize Him as Lord of our lives.	<p>I resolve to look to Him for all strength and to trust in Him in all circumstances of life.</p> <p>5 Trust in the LORD with all your heart, And lean not on your own understanding; 6 In all your ways acknowledge Him, And He shall direct your paths.</p> <p>– Proverbs 3:5-6 ... NKJV</p>

A sunset scene with a tree silhouette and rays of light. The sun is low on the horizon, casting long, golden rays across a sky filled with soft, orange and yellow clouds. In the foreground, the dark silhouette of a tree stands against the bright background. The overall mood is peaceful and hopeful.

*John
11:25-26*

Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?"

