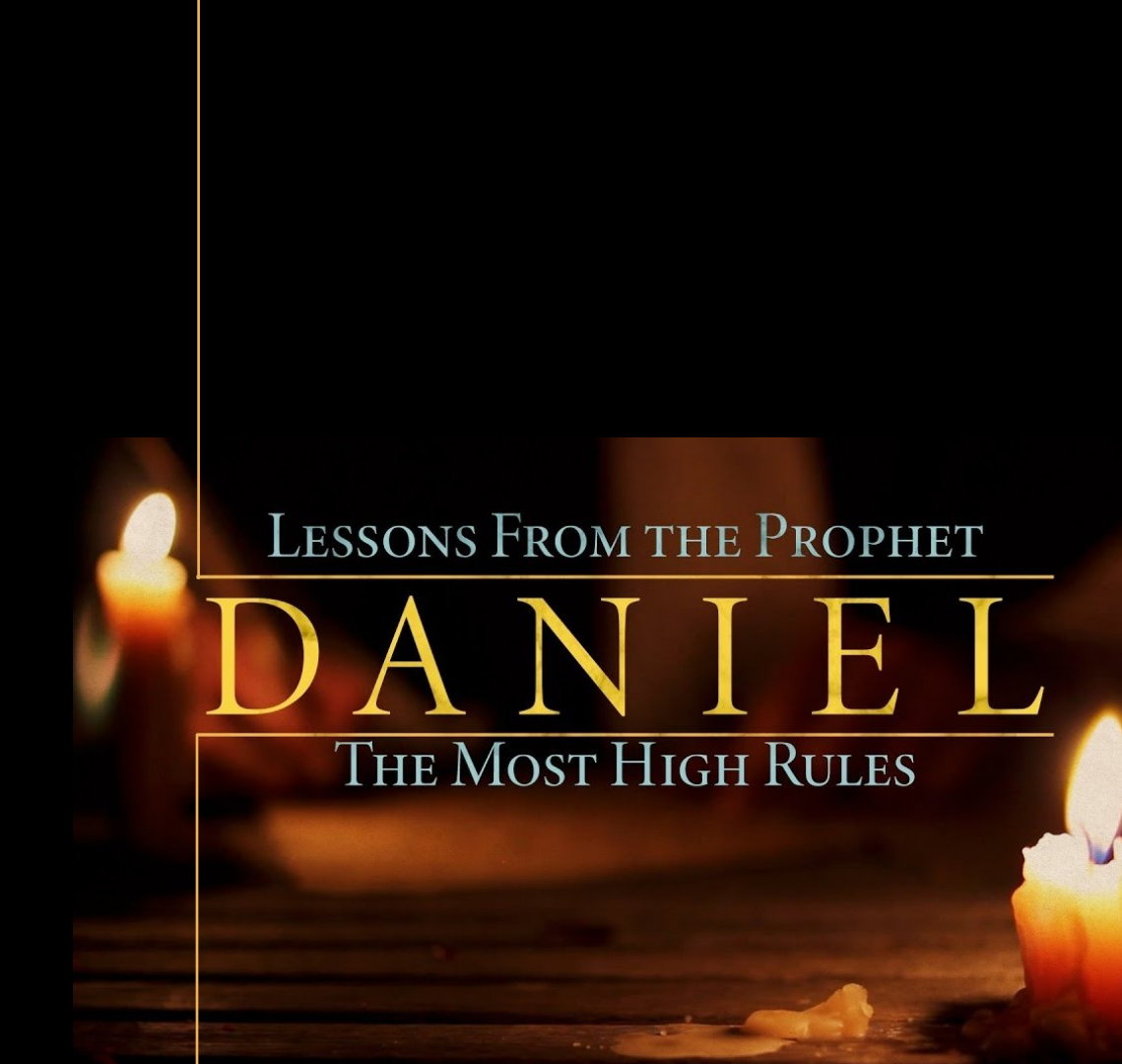




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DANIEL
A TAIL OF FOUR KINGS





LESSONS FROM THE PROPHET
DANIEL
THE MOST HIGH RULES

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The Book of Daniel is most remarkable. It is packed with prophecies that flow into modern culture. Like Daniel, it is unique and supernatural in nature. It records for us the course of the history of the nations from Daniel's day until the end, as stated in the Revelation's book. **Our study is real, raw, & relevant.**

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OVERVIEW

Our passage begins to deal with the period of history known throughout the Scriptures as *"the times of the Gentiles."* If you are not a pure bloodline Jew or have not been graphed in as a born-again believer – you are a Gentile. The times of the Gentiles began when Nebuchadnezzar captured Judah six hundred years before the birth of Jesus and will end with the Second coming of Jesus at the beginning of our Lord's one-thousand-year reign, which is Judgement. And guess where His reign will occur? None other than from the throne in the city of Jerusalem. In this single fact, we can see the relentless attempts of Gentiles warring to "take the hill" of Jerusalem throughout the ages.

Study & Meditate

Daniel Chapter 2:1-49 | Key Verses, Daniel 2:1-3



Study

Now in the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, Nebuchadnezzar had dreams; and his spirit was troubled and his sleep left him. Then the king gave orders to call in the magicians, the conjurers, the sorcerers and the Chaldeans to tell the king his dreams. So they came in and stood before the king. The king said to them, "I had a dream and my spirit is anxious to understand the dream."



Meditate



דבר האל



History



Prophecies



Culture



Christology

HEARTBROKEN

It is not difficult to imagine that Daniel and his friends were heartbroken over the destruction of the land of Judah, Israel. All four of these young men were well trained in understanding God's promise to Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and David; and God's personally assigned prophets.

FAITHFUL TO GOD

Without question, Daniel was faithful to God in mind, will, and faith. While Nebuchadnezzar had his dream, God prepares Daniel to reveal the prophecies connected to Judah's captivity to the time when Jesus will set up His Kingdom on earth. More importantly, that Jesus Christ will reign over the house of David from His throne in Jerusalem, the very land Nebuchadnezzar recently destroyed. Another key factor, God gave this revelation to Daniel at the beginning of the Gentile age, which includes the depraved deeds of Nebuchadnezzar.





TWO RACES

There are only two in God's design of established races – the pure bloodline Hebrew people and the Gentiles.



SIX HUNDRED YEAR ELAPSE

As we have stated, Nebuchadnezzar's captivity of the Jews lasted seventy years. At the end of this period, God had prepared Nehemiah to buy the Jews back from Babylon, which he did. The noted centuries that elapsed between the scattering of the people of Israel into the nations, including their regathering into their own land at the coming of their Messiah (Jesus's birth), was the burden and message of Daniel's prophecies. God gave the revelation to him at its perfect time.

THE DESTRUCTIVE GENTILES



WISDOM
RULES

HEATHENS IN ACTION

The word Gentile, *ethnikos*, means *heathen, national ethnic, or mere man*. Through the centuries, heathen referenced a man who denied the Hebrew God as God. In this stinky thinking, man formed gods to replace the Hebrew God – a modality the Babylonians became known for throughout Biblical history.

As droves of people have asked through the ages, “*Why did God choose a heathen king to reveal the leading prophecy in the Word of God?*” Simply put, to reveal the battle of the brothers, Shem and Ham. Secondly, the Word talks about the “*divine rights of kings.*”

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THE FORGOTTEN

DREAM

It is important to keep God's timeline intact. Early in the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, God caused a slumber to fall upon him. As he fell into a daydream state, ultimately falling asleep, he began to visualize in a dream. He saw a God-sized image "whose brightness was excellent." The image he saw "was terrible" – attempting to describe the size of this image. This bright light was a supernatural light cast from Heaven and reflected upon the metals of the statue image.

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IN CONCLUSION

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At this point in our story, the king was in serious trouble, the most disturbing trouble he had ever faced. Here we see a king who recently conquered Egypt, as well as many other nations. His reputation was he feared no man or their armies. And now, a dream paralyzes him in fear to the core. It was this dream that God shifted his focus from man to the supernatural, and there was nothing Nebuchadnezzar could do to stop it.

#6 Failure of The Wise

In this episode, we will discover the difference between spiritualists who were possessed by demons, sold to Satan, and who could communicate with evil spirits from the other side vs. that of the Divine wisdom of God. We will detail how Nebuchadnezzar revealed his spiritualists as fakes and what he decides to do with each of them.

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