

"But you, brethren, are not in darkness, that the day should overtake you like a thief; for you are all sons of light and sons of day. We are not of night nor of darkness; so then let us not sleep as others do, but let us be alert and sober." I Thess. 5:4-6

## 1. DANIEL'S CURIOSITY. Vs. 19-22

"Then I desired to know the exact meaning of the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, with its teeth of iron and its claws of bronze, and which devoured, crushed, and trampled down the remainder with its feet, and the meaning of the ten horns that were on its head, and the other horn which came up, and before which three of them fell, namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth uttering great boasts, and which was larger in appearance than its associates." vs. 19-20

"I kept looking, and that horn was waging war with the saints and overpowering them until the Ancient of Days came, and judgment was passed in favor of the saints of the Highest One, and the time arrived when the saints took possession of the kingdom." vs. 21-22

## 2. ANGELIC CLARIFICATION. Vs. 23-27

## A. The *Beast*.

"Thus he said: 'The fourth beast will be a fourth kingdom on the earth, which will be different from all the other kingdoms, and it will devour the whole earth and tread it down and crush it." vs. 23

"Therefore remember, that formerly you, the Gentiles in the flesh...you were at that time separate from Christ, excluded from the commonwealth of Israel, and strangers to the covenants of promise, having no hope and without God in the world." Eph. 2:11-12

"...you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you fellow citizens with the saints, and are of God's household, having been built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the corner stone." Eph. 2:19-20

"...when you read you can understand my insight into the mystery of Christ, which in other generations was not made known to the sons of men, as it has now been revealed to His holy apostles and prophets in the Spirit; to be specific, that the Gentiles are fellow heirs and fellow members of the body, and fellow partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel." Eph. 3:4-6

# B. THE *HORNS*. Vs. 24-25

"As for the ten horns, out of this kingdom ten kings will arise; and another will arise after them, and he will be different from the previous ones and will subdue three kings." vs. 24

"And he will speak out against the Most High and wear down the saints of the Highest One, and he will intend to make alterations in times and in law; and they will be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time." vs. 25

## C. THE JUDGEMENT. Vs. 26

"But the court will sit for judgment, and his dominion will be taken away, annihilated and destroyed forever."

#### **Book of Works:**

"And I say to you, that every careless word that men speak, they shall render account for it in the day of judgment."

Matt. 12:36

### The Bible:

"He who rejects Me, and does not receive My saying, has one who judges him; the word I spoke is what will judge him as the last day." John 12:48

### The Book of Life:

"And nothing unclean and no one who practices abomination and lying, shall ever come into it, but only those whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life." Rev. 21:27

## D. THE FINAL KINGDOM.

"Then the sovereignty, the dominion, and the greatness of all the kingdoms under the whole heaven will be given to the people of the saints of the Highest One; His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions will serve and obey Him." vs. 27

### **APPLICATION FOR ME:**

"At this point the revelation ended. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts were greatly alarming me and my face grew pale, but I kept the matter to myself." vs. 28

"And I took the little book out of the angel's hand and ate it, and it was in my mouth sweet as honey; and when I had eaten it, my stomach was made bitter." Rev. 10:10

