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“Yet you do not know what your life will be like tomorrow...” James 4:14

“Even before there is a word on my tongue, behold, O Lord, Thou dost know it all.” Ps. 139:4

“Great is our Lord, and abundant in strength; His understanding is infinite.” Ps. 147:5

“...I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is no one like Me, declaring the end from the beginning...”

Isa. 46:9-10

1. A DISTRESSING VISION. Vs. 1-3

“In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel saw a dream and visions in his mind as he lay on his bed; then he wrote the dream down and related the following summary of it.” vs. 1

“As for me, Daniel, my spirit was distressed within me, and the visions in my mind kept alarming me.” Vs. 15

“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

**“These great beasts, which are four in number, are four kings who will arise from the earth. But the saints of the Highest One will receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever, for all ages to come.”
vs. 17-18**

“Daniel said, I was looking in my vision by night, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the great sea. And four beasts were coming up from the sea, different from one another.” vs. 2-3

2. FOUR DISTURBING BEASTS. Vs. 4-8

A. THE LION-LIKE BEAST. Vs. 4

“The first was like a lion and had wings of an eagle. I kept looking until its wings were plucked, and it was lifted up from the ground and made to stand on two feet like a man; a human mind also was given to it.”

B. THE BEAR-LIKE BEAST. Vs. 5

“And behold, another beast, a second one, resembling a bear. And it was raised up on one side, and three ribs were in its mouth between its teeth; and thus they said to it, ‘Arise, devour much meat!’”

C. THE LEOPARD-LIKE BEAST. Vs. 6

“After this I kept looking, and behold, another one, like a leopard, which had on its back four wings of a bird; the beast also had four heads, and dominion was given to it.”

D. THE FEARSOME BEAST. Vs. 7-8

“After this I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terrifying and extremely strong; and it had large iron teeth. It devoured and crushed, and trampled down the remainder with its feet; and it was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns.”

vs. 7

“Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have arisen; from this we know that it is the last hour.” 1 John 2:18

“But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, haters of good, treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God; holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; and avoid such men as these.” 2 Tim. 3:1-5

"And he carried me into the wilderness; and I saw a woman sitting on a scarlet beast, full of blasphemous names, having seven heads and ten horns...and upon her forehead a name was written, a mystery, 'BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND OF THE ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.' And I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the witnesses of Jesus..." Rev. 17:3-6

“And he cried out with a mighty voice, saying, ‘Fallen, fallen is Babylon the great! And she has become a dwelling place of demons and a prison of every unclean spirit, and a prison of every unclean and hateful bird. For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the passion of her immorality, and the kings of the earth have committed acts of immorality with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich by the wealth of her sensuality.’”

Rev. 18:2-3

“And the ten horns which you saw are ten kings, who have not yet received a kingdom, but they receive authority as the kings with the beast for one hour.” Rev. 17:12

“These will wage war against the Lamb, and the Lamb will overcome them, because He is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those who are with Him are the called and chosen and faithful.” Rev. 17:14

THE FEINDISH LEADER OF THE FINAL BEAST.

“While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were pulled out by the roots before it; and behold, this horn possessed eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth uttering great boasts.” vs. 8

“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.” Dan. 7:25

3. THE DOMINION OF OUR COMING KING. Vs. 8, 13-14

“I kept looking until thrones were set up...and behold, with the clouds of heaven One like a Son of Man was coming, and He came up to the Ancient of Days and was presented before Him. And to Him was given dominion, glory and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations, and men of every language might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion which will not pass away; and His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed.”

“But the saints of the Highest One will receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever, for all ages to come.” vs. 18

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