

**Gaining A Strategic Grasp of Scripture** 

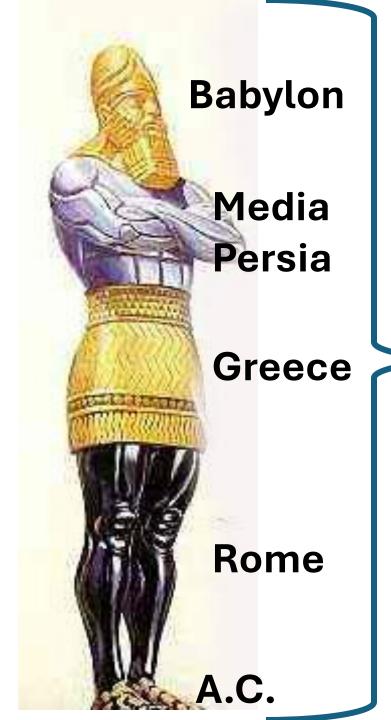
# The Ages To Come: The Rise & Career Of The Anti-Christ, Part 3

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## The Times of the Gentiles Politically

All these kingdoms represent Gentile rule over Israel consistent with the 5<sup>th</sup> cycle of punishment laid out in Lev. 26

All these kingdoms run in succession and each one is inferior to the previous.





The Times of the Gentiles Spiritually

Begin with the setting aside of Israel in early Acts and the revelation of the Mystery to the Apostle Paul.

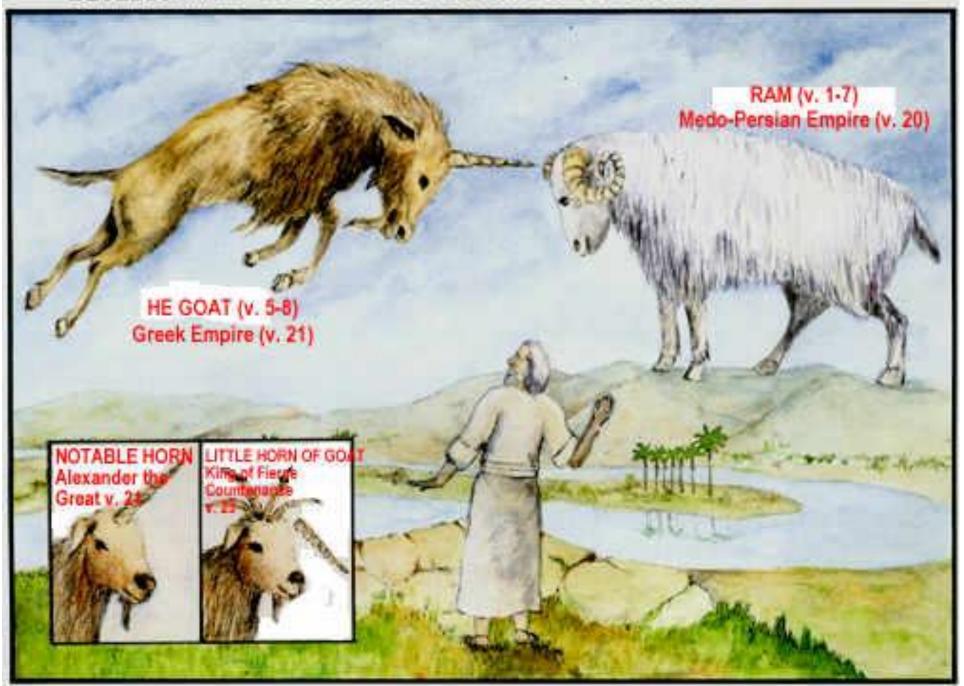
None of this was known to Daniel or any of the other O.T. prophets because it was hid in God.

The dispensation of Grace, the "But Now" time period is inserted at the ankles of the image seen by Daniel

The Mystery: Hid in God revealed to Paul unknown to Daniel

#### DEVELOPMENT OF THE LITTLE HORN OF THE GOAT

**Daniel 8** 





#### **Ascent and Consolidation of Power**

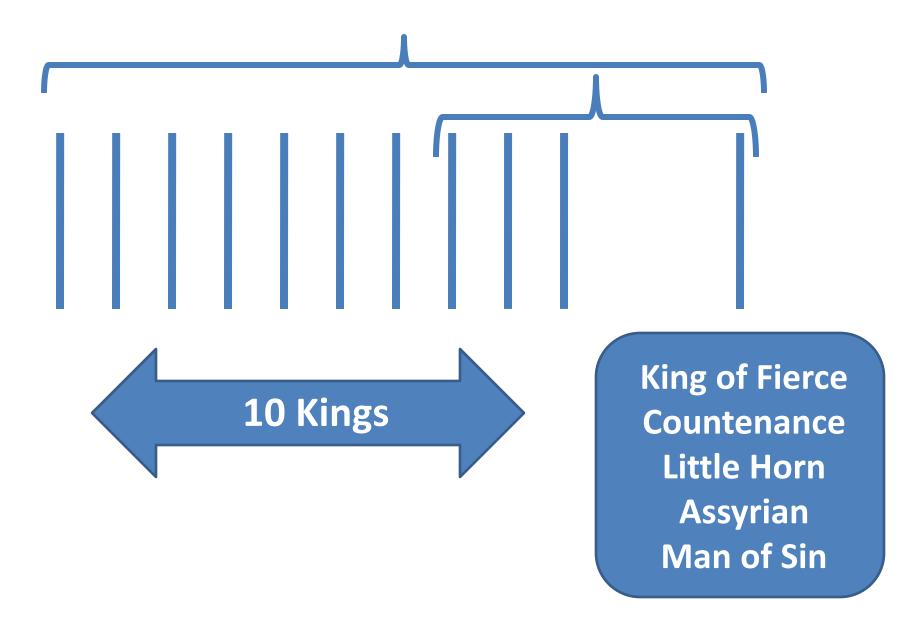
Daniel 2



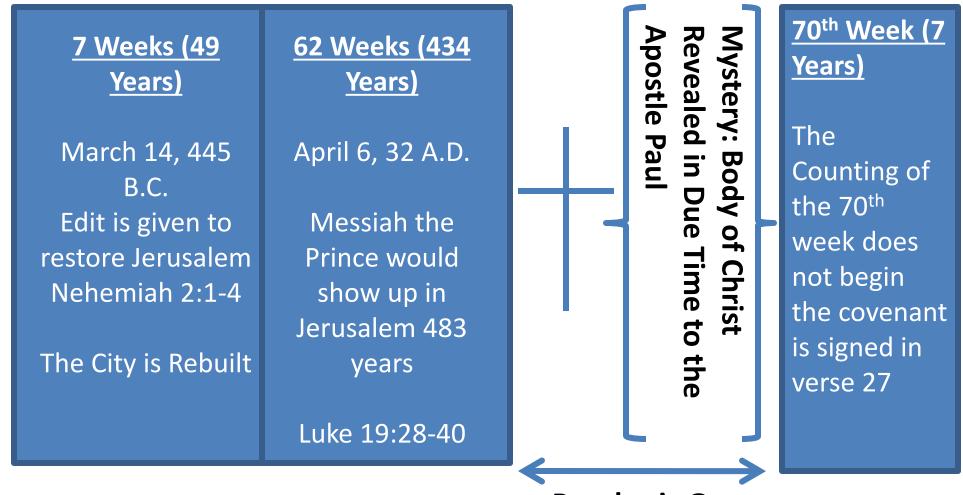
**Daniel 7** 



#### **Ascent and Consolidation of Power**



### Daniel 9 and the Prophetic Gap



Prophetic Gap
The Man of Sin May not immediately appear

- II Thessalonians 2:3—Paul tells the Thessalonians that one of the ways they can know that the day of Christ has not come is that the man of sin, the son of perdition has not been revealed yet.
- The two-fold career of this individual is capture by Paul's use of these two titles.
  - 1<sup>st</sup> Half—Man of Sin (King of Fierce Constance, Little Horn, Assyrian) he is the smooth butter man who comes "in peaceably and obtains the kingdom by flatteries" the who "by peace shall destroy many."
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Half—Son of Perdition
- Something happens to and with the man of sin that causes him to become the son of perdition.

- In order to help us understand the term "son of perdition" we need to look at its use in association with Judas Iscariot.
- John 6:70-71—the Lord Jesus Christ calls Judas a devil.
- Luke 22:3-6—Satan entered into Judas in order to betray Christ.
- John 17:12—Jesus refers to Judas as the son of perdition.
- Acts 1:25—in death Judas is described as having gone to "his own place."
- Revelation 17:8—there is a beast that is described as ascending out of the bottomless pit and going "into perdition."

- Revelation 12:7-9—in the middle of the 70<sup>th</sup> week Satan will lose the war in heaven and be cast forth into the earth.
- Revelation 12:12—when this event occurs the devil possess great wrath because he knows that his time is short.
- Revelation 12:13-17—the dragon is intent on destroying believing Israel who will supernaturally protected and provided for in the wilderness like she was in "time past."
- Revelation 13:1-2—the dragon is giving this beast his power, seat, and authority, i.e., his coming is after the working of Satan.

- Revelation 13:3—this beast is going to be wounded to death and come back to life thereby causing all the world to wonder after the beast.
  - Revelation 13:12
- Revelation 13:4—the result of this that mankind will worship the dragon who gave power unto the beast.
- Revelation 13:5-7—this situation will continue for 42 months, i.e.,
   3.5 years.
  - Daniel 7:8, 11, 36
  - II Thessalonians 2:4
- Matthew 24:15-21—Rev. 13:4-7 is the abomination of desolation spoken of by Daniel the prophet.

- Daniel 9:27—the abomination of desolation occurs in the midst of the week.
  - Daniel 8:13
- Even though there are details in the prophetic scriptures that are difficult for us to know the generally timeline can be discerned, and everything fits together if you take the time to study it out.

Satan is expelled from heaven and sent to the earth with great wrath. Seeks to destroy Israel. Only has short time.

3.5 Years 3.5 Years

Man of Sin

**Covenant is Signed** 

Temple Rebuilt and Temple Worship Reinstated

**Tribulation** 

**Son of Perdition** 

Israel flees into the Midst wilderness to her place

**Man of Dies** 

Comes back World worships the

to Life as Son Dragon is offered the

of Perdition Mark of the Beast

**AOD** in the

Temple Great Tribulation

**70<sup>th</sup> Week of Daniel = 7 Years**