

**Great Expectations
Class 2**

Introduction to God's Plan (Deliverance and Judgment), Daniel Chapter 2

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God's Plan

Rev. 13:8: “. . . the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.”

Acts 4:12 "Nor is there salvation in any other, for there is no other name under heaven given among men by which we must be saved."

2 Pet 3:10-11 The Lord is not slack concerning *His* promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance. But the day of the Lord will come as a thief in the night, in which the heavens will pass away with a great noise, and the elements will melt with fervent heat; both the earth and the works that are in it will be burned up.

Bible Reference	Deliverance	Judgment
Genesis 3	<i>proto-evangelium</i> (the first Gospel), Gen. 3:15 message of Christ, the seed	Curses on wildlife, curses on the ground, labor for man, pain in childbirth for woman
Genesis 6	The ark, lifting up the saints above the judgment (a type of the rapture)	The flood, destroying the wicked. Creating great turmoil on the earth
Genesis 11 Satan seeks to establish world religion	Later various tongues would be given at Pentacost to draw people to God and each other	Various tongues given to confuse people and thwart their effort for a one-world religion
Genesis 12 Abram (later named Abraham)	Through Isaac, the promised male child	Abram, however, seeks a human remedy to the situation and Ishmael is born. Ishmael is father of a nation that will torment Israel through history.

YouTube video History of Ancient Middle East Empires
<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rFYdtQc43NE>

Events During Daniel's Life

B. C. dates approx.	Daniel	Judah Kings/History	Prophets	Kings of Babylon	Kings of Persia/Medea
625		Josiah	Jeremiah (until ~587)	Nabolasser	
Approx. 618	Birth				
609		Jehoahaz Jehoiakim			
606	Taken Captive, Ch.1	Jerusalem first occupied			
605				Nebuchadnezzar	
598		Jehoiachin Zedekiah (2 Kings 24)	Habakkuk Ezekiel		
587	Ch.4	Jerusalem Captured (2 Kings 25)			
561				Evil-merodach	
559				Neriglassar	Cyrus (Ezra 1)
555	Ch. 5, 7, 8			Belshazzar	
538	Ch. 6,9,11,12			Fall of Babylon	Darius (Ezra 6)
537	Ch. 10 Sometime afterwards Daniel dies	Return of the Jews			
529					Cambyses
521					Pseudo-Smerdis, Darius Hystaspes
520		Temple rebuilt			

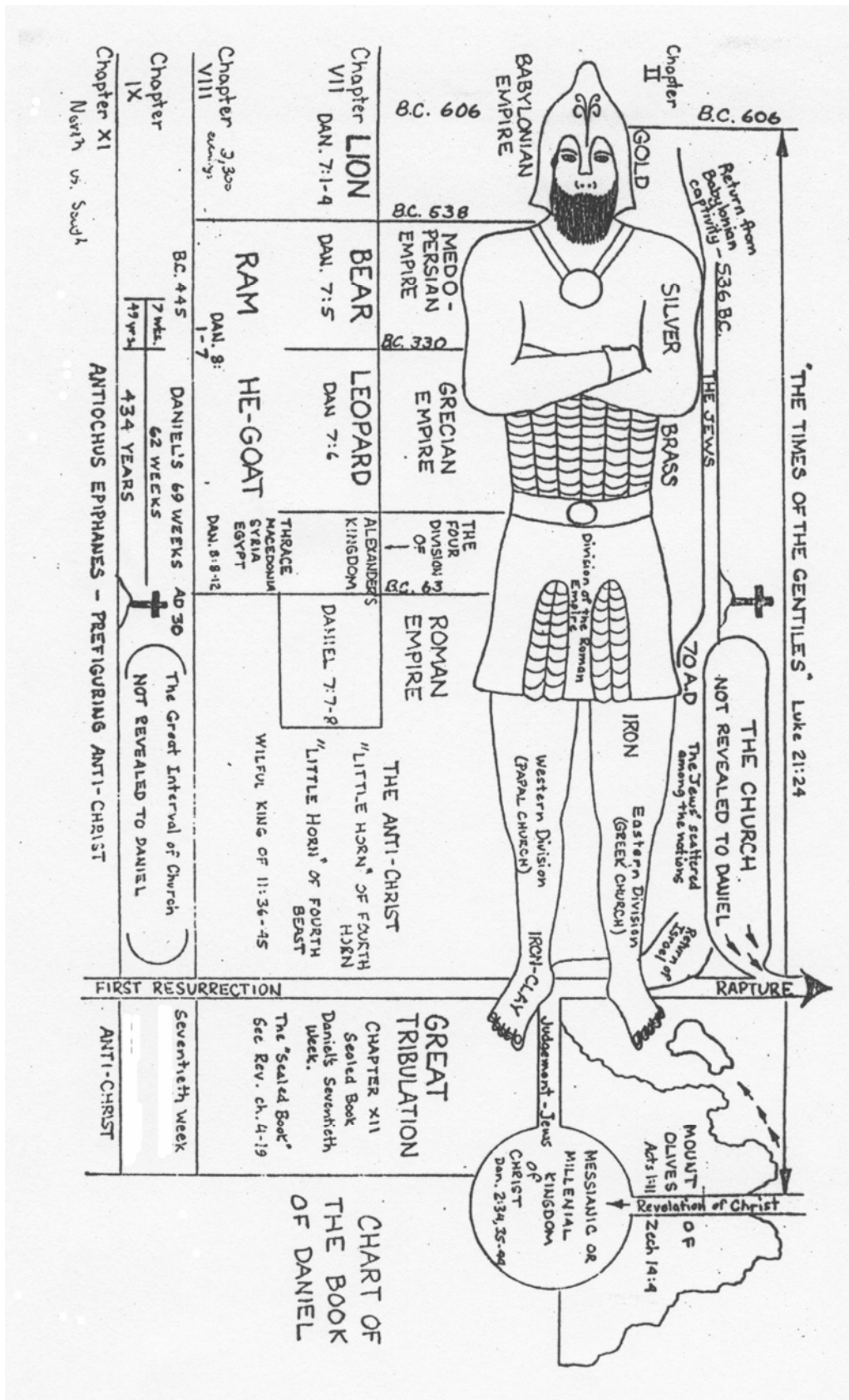


Chart from Dr. Alfred Cawston

Empire	Metal/Body part	Comments	Date (B. C.)
Babylonian	Gold/Head	God appointed	606-539
Medo-Persian	Silver/Arms	Nobel birth/ Joint rule	539-331
Greek	Brass	Seized rule	331-323
Roman	Iron/legs	Election/Seized rule	322-A. D. 476 (Byzantine Empire until 1453)
End time	Iron and clay/feet&toes		

The stone or boulder: Matthew 21:42-44, 1 Pet. 2:7-8