

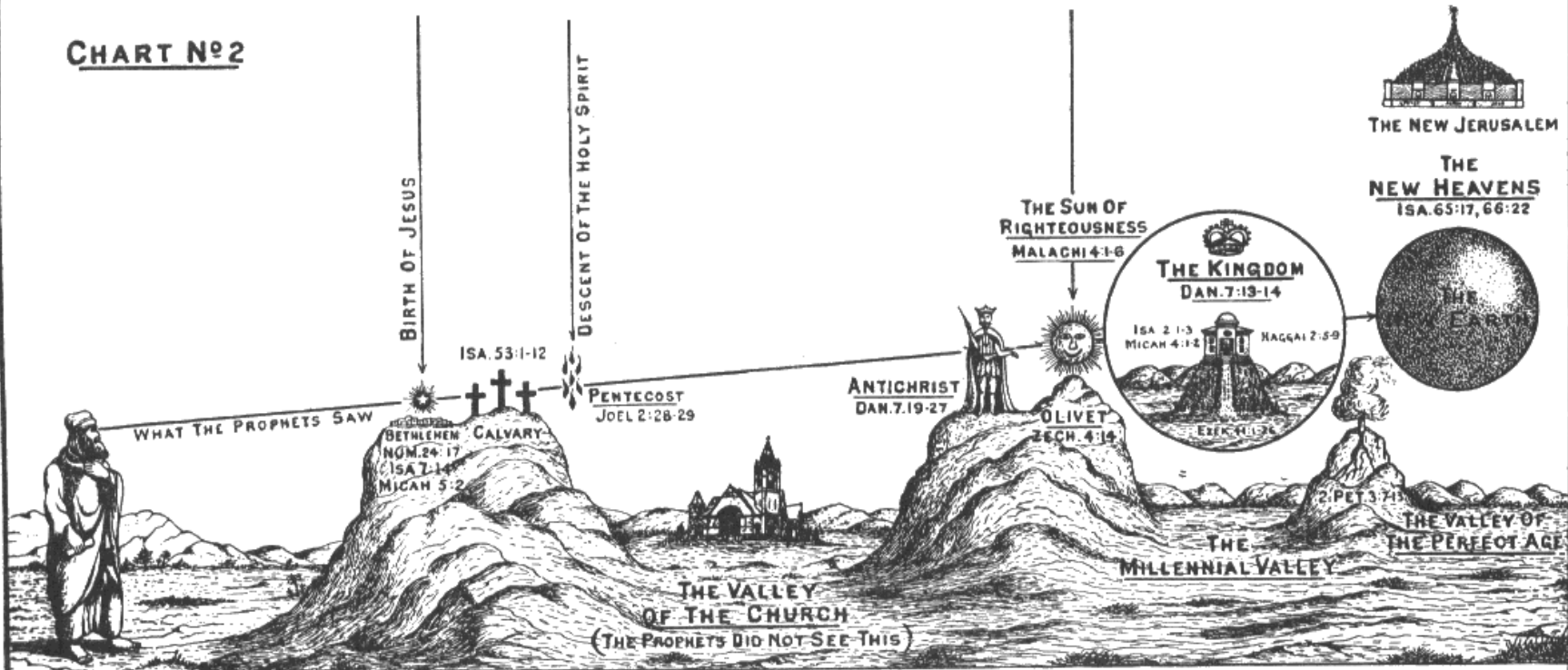


# Study of The Book of Daniel

## Chapter 7 – The Four Beasts

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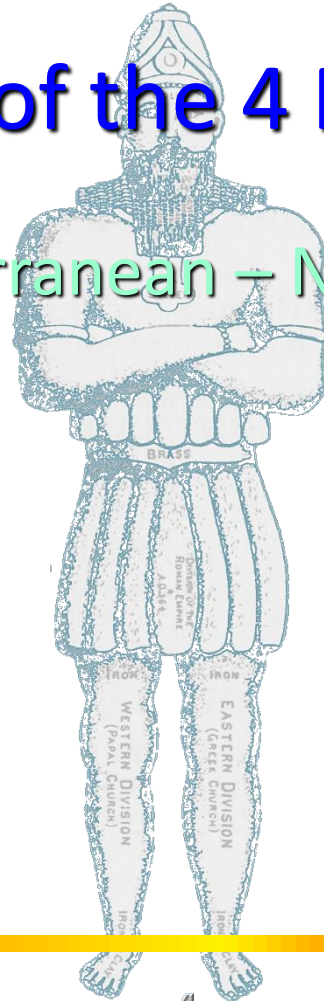
# Background

- We have back up in time to the 1st year of Belshazzar's reign
- Daniel is nearly 85 years old.
- Up to now, his revelations of things to come have been through the interpretations of Nebuchadnezzar's dreams.
- God will now speak directly to Daniel.



# Origin of the 4 Nations

- Great Sea – Mediterranean – Nations in turmoil (Rev 17:15, Isa 17:12-13)





THE POWERS OF THE AIR

# Powers of the Air

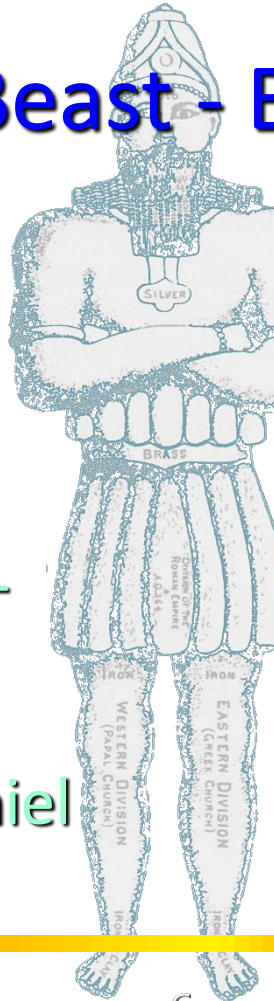
- Four winds of heaven – powers of the air (Rev 7:1-2)
- Image is powers of the air stirring up turmoil among the nations.

We are to understand then by the “Four Winds of Heaven”, the “Evil Powers” of the air that Satan uses to cause unrest among the nations of the earth. And as the closing days of this Dispensation draw near, and Palestine is re peopled by the Jews, the nations that center around it will be more and more thrown into commotion, as Satan in his last great effort to checkmate the plans of God will bring into play all the “Evil Forces” of the air – C. Larkin, c.1920 AD (before Israel was recreated)



# First Beast – Babylon

- Lion is king of beasts
- Eagle is king of birds
- Regal Babylon
- Head of gold
- Wings were plucked – humbling of Nebuchadnezzar.
- Image obvious to Daniel as Babylon



## 2<sup>nd</sup> Beast – Medo Persia

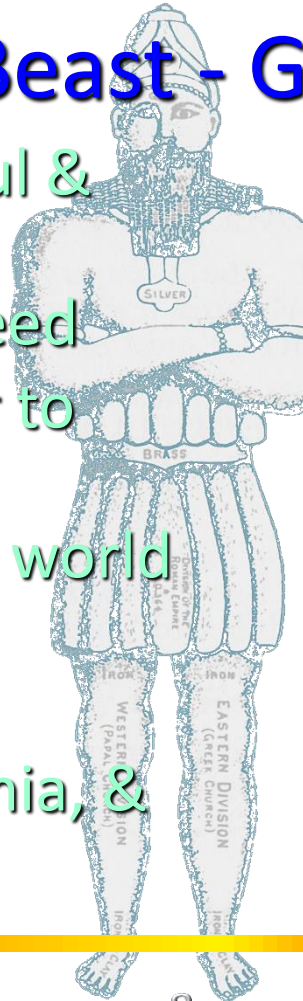


- Bear is slower & more deliberate than lion
- Medo Persians slow and methodical
- Used 2,500,000 soldiers to fight Greeks
- Three ribs are three major conquests – Babylon, Lydia, Egypt
- Daniel would most likely recognize this beast as Medo-Persia



# 3rd Beast - Greece

- Leopard more graceful & swift than previous 2
- 4 wings represent speed
- Wings of fowl inferior to eagle's wings
- Alexander conquered world in 10 years
- 4 heads is new info
- Egypt, Syria, Macedonia, & Thrace





# 4th Beast – Rome?

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- No known animal – more complex
- Both physical Rome and recreated Rome
- Iron teeth reminiscent of Iron toes of statue
- 10 horns never part of ancient Rome – must be future Rome

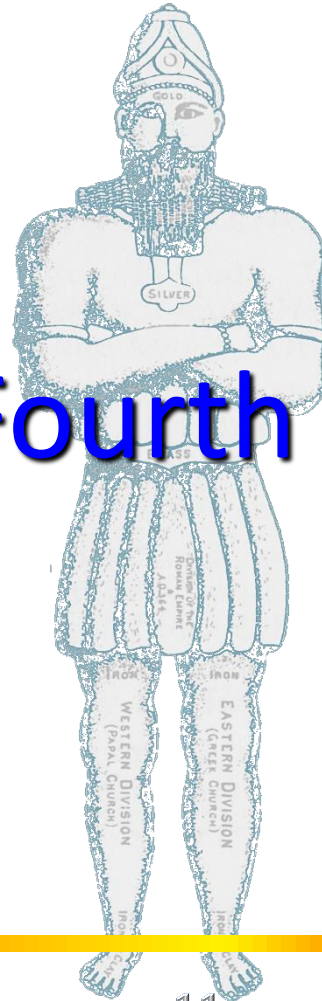


# Judgment

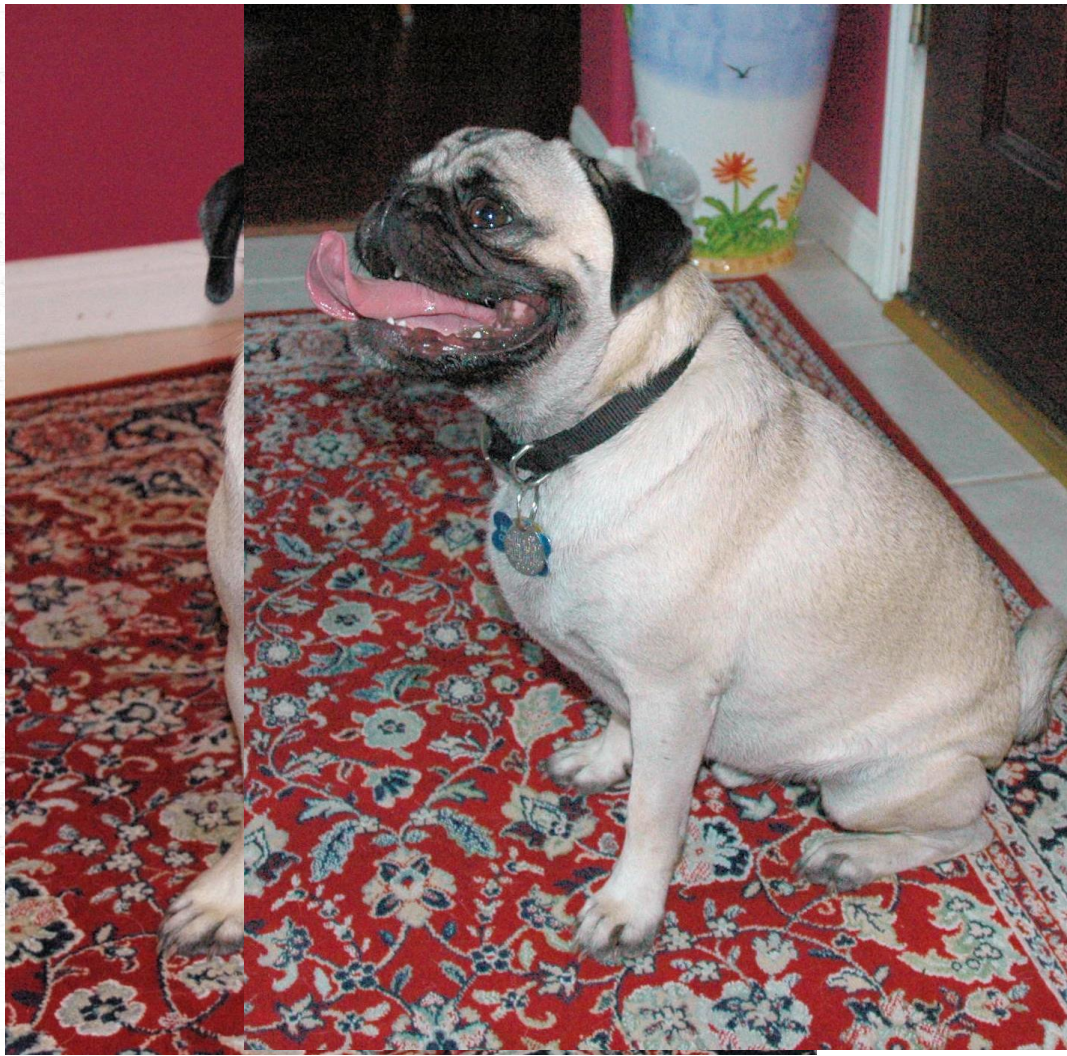
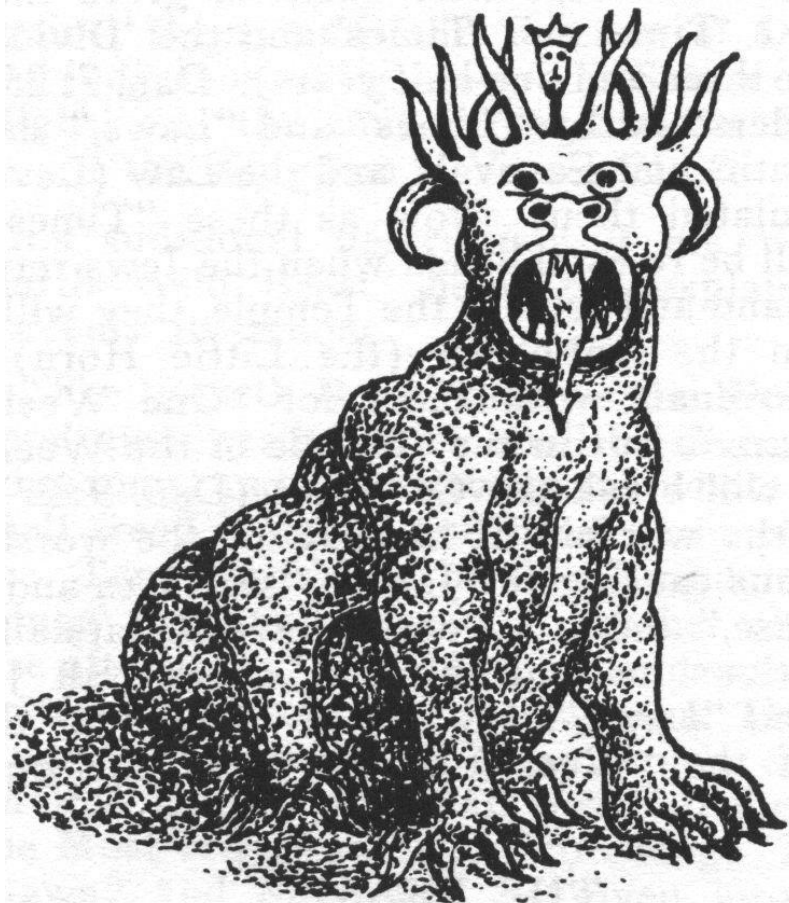
- Possibly a mixture of two judgments – judgment of the nations and Great White Throne Judgment
- V9, Ancient of Days is similar to Jesus (ref Rev 1, John 5:22)
- V13, Ancient of Days is clearly God. Handing authority over to Jesus (xref with Mark 2:10-11)
- Saints are converted Jews and raptured saints ruling for 1,000 years on the earth.



# The Fourth Beast

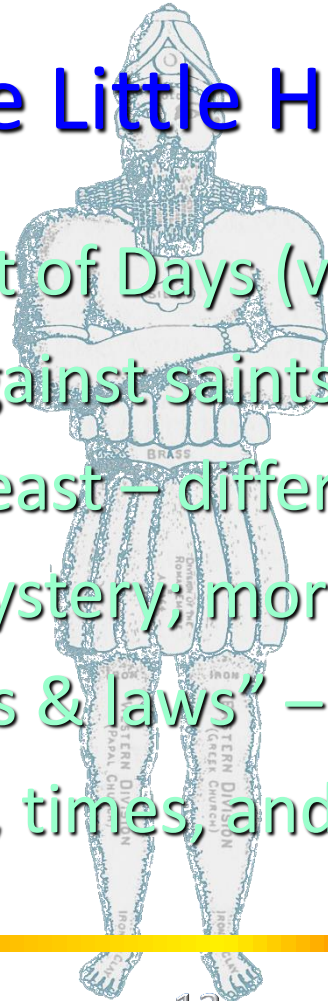


# DANIEL'S BEAST



# The Little Horn

- Rails against Ancient of Days (v11)
- He will make war against saints & prevail
- Comes out of 4th beast – different from other horns
- Subdue 3 kings – mystery; more later
- Alterations in “times & laws” – festivals & Torah
- Dominate for “time, times, and half a time”



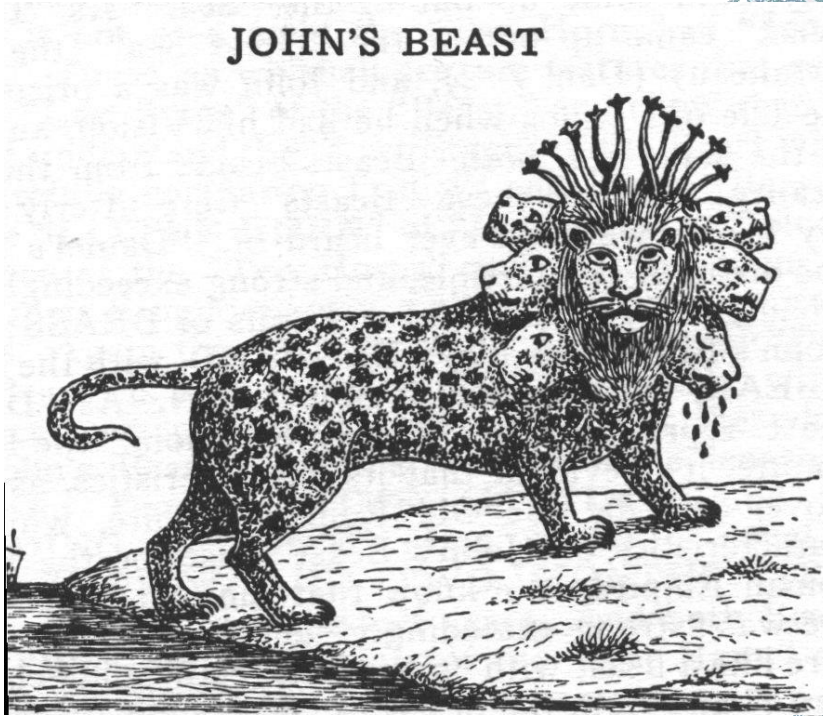
# Similarities Between Daniel & John Views of This Beast

- Both came up out of the sea (Mediterranean, nations)
- Daniel's beast "unlike all other", Johns like all three of Daniel's other beasts
- 10 horns
- Mouth uttering great boasts and blasphemies
- Defeat the saints
- Both terrorize for 3½ years




# John's Beast of Revelation

JOHN'S BEAST



- Body of leopard
- Paws of Bear
- Head of Lion
- 7 heads – Rome's 7 hills
- 10 Horns for the 10 kings or kingdoms
- Note characteristics of all of Daniel's beasts



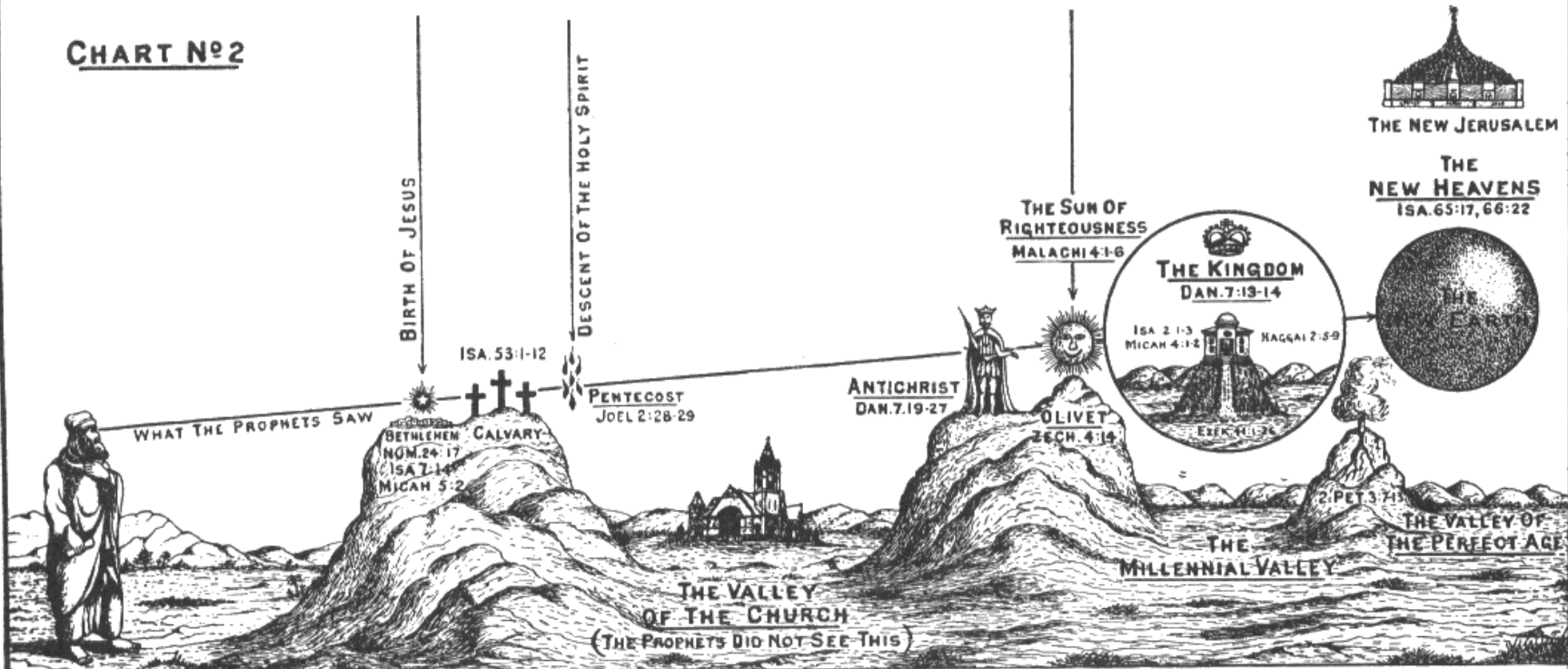
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