



Study of The Book of Daniel

Chapter 11 – The Word of God is Sure

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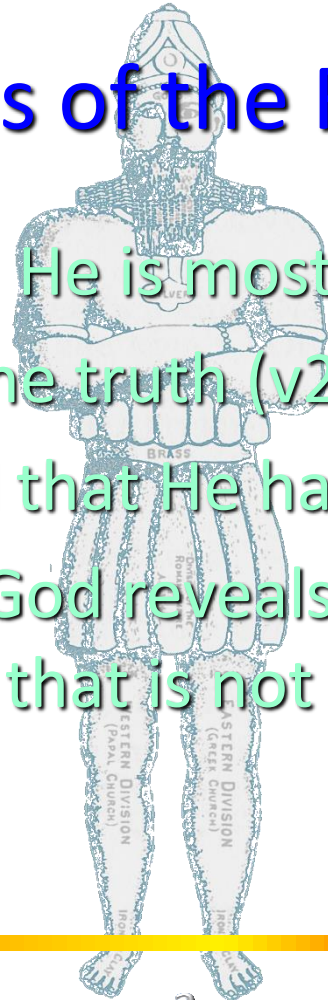
Background

- The Jews that would return to Israel have gone (42,360) (Ezra 2:64)
- Daniel has not returned
- Reports from Jerusalem are not good. The people are meeting opposition and struggling.
- Daniel is mourning and looking for answers and comfort



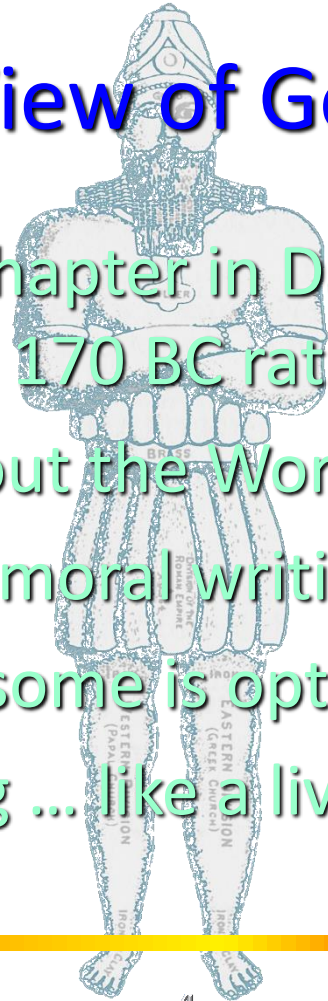
Details of the Future

- Daniel is mourning. He is most likely seeking comfort
- God shows Daniel the truth (v2)
- God is telling Daniel that He has a plan.
- To prove His point, God reveals to Daniel incredible detail about history that is not yet written



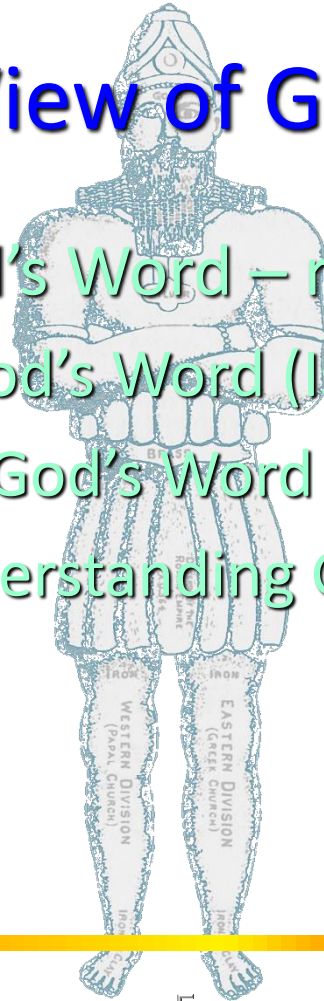
World's View of God's Word

- Many look on this chapter in Daniel as proof that the book was written in 170 BC rather than 535 BC
- Misconceptions about the Word:
 - Merely wise and moral writings
 - God's word, but some is optional
 - It needs updating ... like a living document



Daniel's View of God's Word

- Daniel believed God's Word – ref Daniel 9
- Daniel trembled at God's Word (Isa 66:2)
- Daniel meditated on God's Word
- Daniel worked at understanding God's Word



History in Chapter 11

History of Persian Empire

11:1-2 (539 – 331BC)

Rise of Greece & Alexander

11:3 (331 - 329BC)

Division of Greece into 4 Kingdoms

11:4 (329BC)

Warring between kings

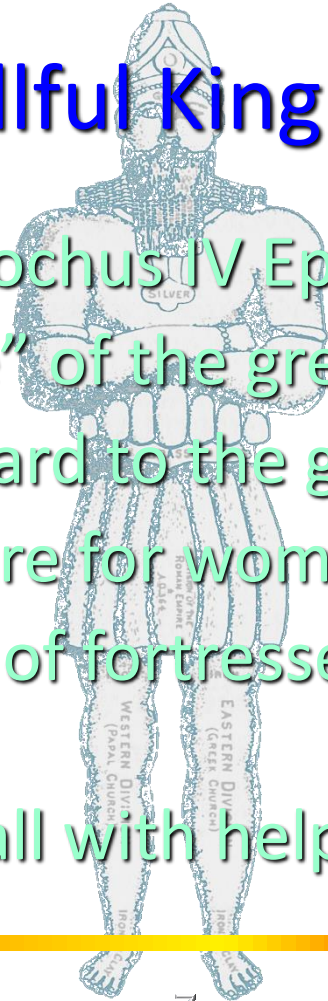
11:5-20 (328 - 175BC)

Antiochus IV Epiphanes

11:21-35 (175 – 168BC)

The Willful King (36-45)

- Much focus on Antiochus IV Epiphanes
- Antiochus is a “type” of the greater truth
- He will show no regard to the gods of his fathers
- He will have no desire for women
- He will honor a god of fortresses – a god his fathers did not know
- He will accomplish all with help of foreign god





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