

Daniel Chapter 8

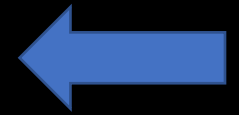
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The Goat
Greece



The Ram
Persia





Ram – Kings of Media and Persia (Daniel 8:20)



Goat with 1 Horn and Subsequent Horns –
King of Greece and following Kingdoms (Daniel 8:21-25)

The Issue at Hand

Interpreting and Applying Prophecy

Authority in Interpreting Prophecy

Putting Prophecy into Application

Identifying the Goat and the Horns

What are the parameters for the vision in Chapter 8?

What do the scriptures say about the vision?

What actions in history mirror the descriptions of the vision?

What have God's people historically thought about the vision?

Identifying the Goat and the Horns

The Goat with One Horn

Alexander the Great

The Four Horns

Alexander's 4 Generals
Cassander, Antigonus,
Ptolemy, Seleucus

The One Little Horn

Antiochus IV Epiphanes

Persian Empire



ANE Under Alexander's Four General's



The Little Horn – Antiochus IV Epiphanes



Source: https://www.biblicalarchaeology.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Antiochus_IV_Epiphanes.jpg

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Applying Prophecy

Pattern & Fulfillment

Jesus & Daniel – Matthew 24

¹⁵ “So when you see the abomination of desolation spoken of by the prophet Daniel, standing in the holy place (let the reader understand), ¹⁶ then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains.

Matthew 24:15-16

Titus Caesar Vespasianus

Siege of Jerusalem 70 AD



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Antiochus IV Epiphanes

Titus Caesar Vespasianus

Claimed Divinity

Disrupted & Desecrated the Temple

Caused Great Suffering to God's People

Pattern & Fulfillment – The Anti-Christ

Matthew 24– Many False Christs

²³ Then if anyone says to you, ‘Look, here is the Christ!’ or ‘There he is!’ do not believe it. ²⁴ For false christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect.

-Matthew 24:23-24

Pattern & Fulfillment – The Anti-Christ

2 Thessalonians 2:3-4 – Man of Lawlessness

³ Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, ⁴ who opposes and exalts himself against every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, proclaiming himself to be God.

Pattern & Fulfillment – The Anti-Christ

Revelation 13 – The Beast from the Sea/The Anti-Christ

¹⁶ Also it causes all, both small and great, both rich and poor, both free and slave, to be marked on the right hand or the forehead, ¹⁷ so that no one can buy or sell unless he has the mark, that is, the name of the beast or the number of its name. ¹⁸ This calls for wisdom: let the one who has understanding calculate the number of the beast, for it is the number of a man, and his number is 666.

-Revelation 13:16-18

Applying Prophecy

Prophecy means something to the original hearers

The interpretation of prophecy is a prophetic act –
let Scripture do the work!!

Remember Pattern & Fulfilment

Ultimate Purpose is greater relationship with God

Questions for Reflection

1. Do we view prophecy as a form of escapism? Or something to fear? Or as confidence to fulfill great commission?
2. Pray for our brothers and sisters around the world that are suffering.