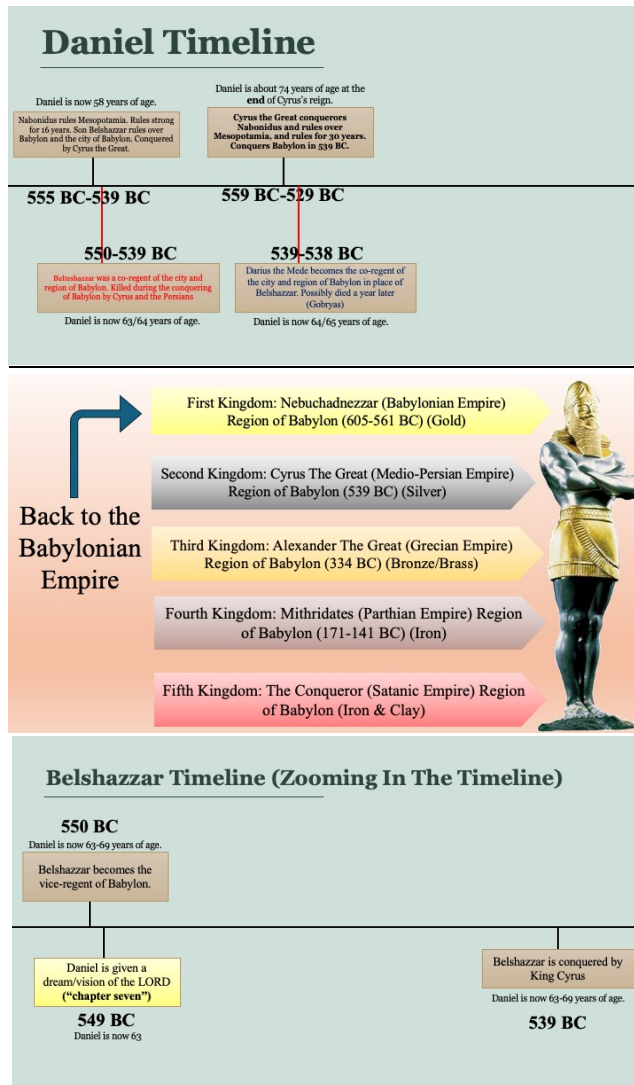


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From The Previous Lecture: Daniel completed the imagery of the vision that was given to him concerning the four beasts, the Ancient of Days, and "one like the Son of Man." All of these details that were given to Daniel were outlined vividly and clearly.

Daniel 7:15 NASB95: "...As for me, Daniel, my spirit was **distressed** within me, and the visions in my **mind** kept **alarming me**..." There are some interesting details that are observed in this particular statement of Daniel.

After the amazing scene that Daniel detailed, he then turns his attention to himself and his response to all these details that he observed.

Distressed (כָּרַא)

(kārā'/kawraw)

This Aramaic word occurs 1 time in the Scriptures.

This Aramaic word only occurs only in the book of Daniel.

Corresponds with the Hebrew word כָּרַא/*kawraw* that means "to dig," or "to pierce." (when used in a figurative sense).

"Grieve," "pierce,"

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Mind (ܡܝܢ)

(rē'sh/raish)

This Aramaic word occurs 14 times in the Scriptures.

This Aramaic word occurs 13 times in the book of Daniel.

Corresponds with the Hebrew word **רֹאשׁ**/roshe that means more frequently translated “head,” “chief,” “top.”

This refers to the thinking and the location of his thoughts that he had concerning the images that he saw.

Cross-Reference: Daniel 2:28, 3:27.

Alarmed (ܒܗܠ)

(b^hal/behah)

This Aramaic word occurs 11 times in the Scriptures.

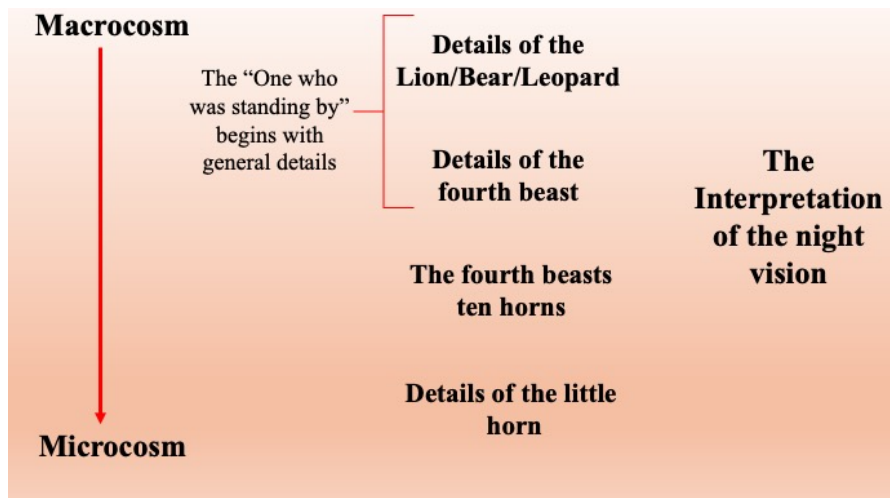
This Aramaic word only occurs in the book of Daniel.

Corresponds with the Hebrew word **בָּהֹל**/*bahal* that is spelled which is translated “trouble,” or “haste.”

This word when written in the *Pual* stem which is an underscores intensity or emphasis.

Daniel 7:16 NASB95: “...I approached one of those who were standing by and began asking him the **exact meaning** of all this. So he told me and made known to me the interpretation of these things...”

Daniel, due to his intensive state of being comes to one of “those who were standing by” and inquired about the “**certainty**” (**יָצִיב**/*yassib/yatstseeb*) of all that he observed. The one who Daniel was asking began to tell him the explanation (“interpretation”) of all that he saw.



Daniel 7:17 NASB95: “...These great beasts, which are four in number, are four **kings** who will arise from the earth....”

Kings (ܡܠܟ)

(melek/mehlek)

This Aramaic word occurs 180 times in the Scriptures.

This Aramaic word occurs 135 times in the book of Daniel between chapter 2 and 7!

Corresponds with the Hebrew word that is spelled and pronounced the same way.

This word means a person who has great authority/influence over a specific land and people.

Daniel 7:13 NASB95: “...But the **saints** of the **Highest One** will receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever, for all ages to come...”

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Saints (ܫܢܝܐ)

(qadîš/kaddeesh')

This Aramaic word occurs 13 times in the Scriptures.

This Aramaic word only occurs in the book of Daniel.

Corresponds to the Hebrew word *קדוש/qadosh*, which is translated as “holy.”

This word is used to describe God, a divine creature, or those who have this attribute in the sight of God.

Question: What about the phrase the “Highest One?”

We will get to this Aramaic word in a little bit...

Daniel 7:19 NASB95: “...Then I desired to know the **exact** meaning of the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, with its teeth of iron and its claws of bronze, and which devoured, crushed and trampled down the remainder with its feet...”



Daniel wrote more details concerning the “one who is like the son of man” was given dominion (*saltan*), glory (*yekawr*), and a kingdom (*maliku*), that all persons, tribes, and peoples and tongues may serve him. Additionally, the one who looks like a son of man will possess a kingdom that will endure for ages and will never be conquered or destroyed.

Exact (ܝܥܒ)

(yʿšēb/yetsabe)

This Aramaic word occurs 1 times in the Scriptures.

This Aramaic word only occurs in the book of Daniel.

Corresponds with the Hebrew word *יָבַב/yāṣab/yawtsab'* which most frequently translated “to stand.”

This Aramaic word emphasized that Daniel desired to know the definite or certain meaning of the object or information in question.

Daniel begins to list the specific details of the fourth beast that corresponds to the details he listed in the previous statements.

Daniel 7:19 NASB95: “...Then I desired to know the exact meaning of the fourth beast, which was different from all the others (Daniel 7:7), exceedingly dreadful (Daniel 7:7), with its teeth of iron and its claws of bronze (Daniel 7:7), and which devoured, crushed and trampled down the remainder with its feet... (Daniel 7:7)”

Daniel 7:20 NASB95: “...and the meaning of the ten horns (Daniel 7:7-8) that were on its head and the other horn (Daniel 7:8) which came up (Daniel 7:8), and before which three of them fell (Daniel 7:8), namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth uttering great boasts and which was larger in appearance than its associates...”

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Daniel 7:21 NASB95: “...I kept looking, and that horn was waging war with the saints and overpowering them...”

Daniel turns his attention back to the fourth beast (which underscores that he is still in the midst of the vision by use of this word ܠܚܢ/*khazaw*. Daniel noted the specific acts of the “other” horn who was “doing” war with the holy ones (“saints”) and “prevail” or “overcome” the holy ones.

Daniel 7:22 NASB95: “...until the Ancient of Days came and **judgment** was **passed** in favor of the saints of the **Highest One**, and the time arrived when the saints took possession of the kingdom...”

Judgment (ܦܕ)

(dîn/deen)

This Aramaic word occurs 5 times in the Scriptures.

This Aramaic word only occurs in the book of Daniel.

Corresponds with the Hebrew word that is spelled and pronounced the same.

“Judgment,” “evaluation.”

Cross-Reference: Daniel 7:10.

Let's Talk About The Word “Highest One”

ܡܝܠܝܐ/‘elyôn/elyone’

This Aramaic word occurs 4 times in the Scriptures.

This Aramaic word only occurs in the book of Daniel.

This Aramaic word only occurs in the chapter seven.

This word corresponds with the Hebrew word that is spelled and pronounced the same way.

Cross-Reference: Genesis 14:18, Deuteronomy 28:1, 2 Samuel 22:14, Psalm 11-13.

An Interesting Psalm: Psalm 89:18-29.

Daniel outlined that even though the holy ones were overpowered by the little horn, which was on the fourth beast. It will only be for a short time, until the Ancient of Days (**i.e., God the Father**) evaluates and “passes” (or gives) the saints (**i.e., myriads of myriads**) of the “Highest One” (**i.e., “one like a son of man”**). Daniel then mentioned it is at this time that the holy ones took possession of the kingdom (*malku*).

To Sum Up: Daniel receiving the explanation of this vision that he had, and it is told to him that these beasts represent four kings and the little horn that was prevailing over them. However, this is not the end of the holy ones who have been afflicted as they will receive the kingdom that will be handed over to the holy ones and the one who looks like the human being who is the most exalted (or highest one) in this kingdom.

To Be Continued...