

BIBLICAL TIMELINE OF DANIEL 2

Introductory remarks:

I know several different views exist on the identity of the kingdoms described in Daniel 2, and the culprit that produces so many different views is **presuppositions**. A presupposition is an idea or theory believed to be true **before** examining or testing new data. The problem with presuppositions surfaces when we force the weight of evidence found in Scripture to conform to a preexisting concept. If a presupposition leads away from a plain and simple "thus saith the Lord," then the presupposition is faulty.

Nothing makes the devil happier than to lead religious people away from the plain and simple truths of Gods kingdom written in the Bible. Consider the real problem: Truth is ever advancing and when new truth appears, it *always* seems to contradict what was previously thought to be "true." Let me explain. At any given time, mans understanding of truth contains two elements: That which is **actually true** and that which is **believed to be true**.

As you can see, the inherent problem with presuppositions is that they can prevent people from accepting the Bible as it reads. Any presupposition that fails to exalt the Bible and the Bible alone as the Word of God (the rule of faith and doctrine), and any presupposition that prevents or discourages men and women from understanding all that is written in Scripture, is flawed.

This does not mean that everyone has to see eye-to-eye on every point of Scripture. However, I do believe that all who are sincere and honest in their study of truth can get past their flawed presuppositions through study, prayer and the illumination of the Holy Spirit. ([John 16:13](#))

Having said this I humbly request you to consider the following with an open mind using the bible as the only authority in spiritual matters.

More information on Legs of Iron—Feet of Iron and Clay and toes (Ten Horns): (Dan. 2:41-43)

(Dan. 2:41-43) In that you saw the feet and toes, partly of potter's clay and partly of iron, **it will be a divided kingdom**; but it will have in it the toughness of iron, inasmuch as you saw the iron mixed with common clay. As the toes of the feet were partly of iron and partly of pottery, so some of the kingdom will be strong and part of it will be brittle. And in that you saw the iron mixed with common clay, they will combine with one another in the seed of men; but they will not adhere to one another, even as iron does not combine with pottery.

(Dan. 7:7-8) After this I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terrifying and extremely strong; and it had large iron teeth. It devoured and crushed and trampled down the remainder with its feet; and it was different from all the beasts that were before it, and **it had ten horns**. While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were pulled out by the roots before it; and behold, this horn possessed eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth uttering great boasts.

(Dan. 7:24) As for the ten horns, **out of this kingdom ten kings will arise**; and another will arise after them, and he will be different from the previous ones and will subdue three kings.

While the feet of iron in this vision is the Roman Empire, there are a number of reasons for seeing a prophetic gap here (flashing forward to -new world order). That is, this section (Dan. 2:42-43) refers to the end of human history. A number of observations point toward this conclusion:

First, there is an anatomical distinction. Verse 40 refers to the *legs*, while verses 41-43 refer to the *feet* and *toes*.

Second, there is a composition distinction. The legs are composed entirely of *iron* (v.40), while the feet are composed of *iron and clay* (verses 41-43).

Third, Daniel addresses the toes as a separate kingdom in verses 42, As the toes of the feet were partly of iron and partly of pottery, so some of the kingdom will be strong and part of it will be brittle.

Fourth, there is unfulfilled language. In verse 44, we read, “In the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and that kingdom will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever.” The Roman Empire had *one* king—not *many* (“kings”). Apparently, these ten toes are actually ten kings. This must still be in the future.

Fifth, this correlates with Revelation 13 and 17, which is also about the end of human history. John writes, “I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns” (Rev. 13:1). He later explains, “The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom” (Rev. 17: 12. These kings give birth to the Antichrist, which hasn’t happened yet (“not yet received a kingdom”). These ten kings will war against the Lamb at the second coming.(Rev.17:14)

CONCLUSION

It’s evident that Roman empire represented by iron fell in 789 AD (it’s not reigning today). From that time on the world is made up of many independent nations, this is the time of the feet (present day). It represents the period between the fall of Rome and the second coming of Christ to destroy all human kingdoms and establish everlasting kingdom. The kingdom of the feet will give way to the kingdom of the toes (the ten last kings). These kings will join the Antichrist to war against Christ as He comes. The following is a list of kingdoms as shown prophet Daniel in Daniel chapter 2 in a chronological manner.

- i) **Babylon** (made of gold).
- ii) **Medes and Persians** (made of silver).
- iii) **Greece** (made of bronze).
- iv) **Rome** (made of pure iron).
- v) **Many independent nations** (feet of iron and clay)
- vi) **Last ten kings and Antichrist** (toes of iron and clay).
- vii) **Kingdom of Christ** which will be everlasting.

I hope that this small article has blessed you, and remember, continue to test everything.

For more on this and other teachings, please be in touch.

May God bless you in walking in the whole Word of God.

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