

WHEN DREAMS COME TRUE - 2

DANIEL – WEEK 4

STANDING FIRM IN A COMPRISING CULTURE
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Key Verses:

Don't let the world around you squeeze you into its own mold.
Romans 12:2 (Ph)
... the Most High rules over the kingdoms of the world. (4:25)

Daniel 2:31-49

NEBUCHADNEZZAR DREAMS OF AN IMAGE

A. Nebuchadnezzar dreams a dream

1. (Dan 2:1) The troubling dream.
2. (Dan 2:2-9) Nebuchadnezzar demands to know the dream
3. (Dan 2:10-11) The wise men explain the impossibility of Nebuchadnezzar's request.
4. (Dan 2:12-13) Nebuchadnezzar sentences all wise men to death.

B. God reveals the dream to Daniel.

1. (Dan 2:14-16) Daniel asks for a brief extension.
2. (Dan 2:17-18) Daniel asks his companions for prayer.
3. (Dan 2:19) God reveals Nebuchadnezzar's dream to Daniel.
4. (Dan 2:20-23) Daniel praises God for this revelation.

C. The dream of Nebuchadnezzar and its interpretation.

1. (Dan 2:24-30) Daniel gives glory to God for revealing the dream.
2. (Dan 2:31-35) Daniel describes Nebuchadnezzar's dream.
3. (Dan 2:36-45) The interpretation of the dream.
4. (Dan 2:46-49) Nebuchadnezzar's reaction to Daniel's report.

* Outline from David Guzik, Blue Letter Bible

Head - Gold - ___Babylon_____ (605-539 BC)

Chest - Silver - __Medo-Persian__ (539-331 BC)

Belly/Thighs - Bronze - _____Greece_____ (331-63 BC)

Legs - Iron - ___Rome_____ (63 BC-476 AD)



Lessons for Life

- 1) History is not determined by earthly rulers but by ____the hand of God_____.
- 2) Even the most evil empire serves God's _____eternal purposes_____.
- 3) The mightiest empires are but temporary. _____None last forever_____.
- 4) Jesus Christ is the _____center of history_.

What is God's Kingdom?

- 5). The Rule of God in the ___world _____ and in our ___lives_____.

You are to give him the name Jesus. He will be great and will be called the Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of his father David, and he will reign over the house of Jacob forever; his kingdom will never end.

Luke 1:31-33

- 6). To do God's _____will_____.

This, then, is how you should pray: "Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

Matthew 6:9-10

Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.

Matthew 6:33 (NLT)

- * God's Will for the believer is to ___become like Jesus_____

For from the very beginning God decided that those who came to him--and all along he knew who would--should **become like his Son**, so that his Son would be the First, with many brothers.

Romans 8:29

- * God's Will for the Church is to _____fulfill the Great Commission_____

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20