

## The Goat and the Ram - Lesson 12 - Chapter 8

<b>Daniel 2</b>	<b>Interpretation</b>	<b>Daniel 7</b>
Statue and a Stone	Kingdoms	4 beasts
Head of Gold	Babylon/Neb	Lion
Breast and Arms of Silver	Medes-Persians/Cyrus	Bear
Belly and thighs of Bronze	Greece/Alexander	Leopard
Legs of Iron	Rome/Julius Caesar	Terrible Beast
Feet - partly of iron/clay 10 toes	Divided kingdom 10 kings	“Rome-ish” - arose from Rome 10 horns
Stone Becomes a great mountain - fills the earth	Another kingdom - everlasting	Another horn - little horn Waging war with the saints
God sets up kingdom - never be destroyed		Ancient of Days will judge
Puts an end to all the other kingdoms		Takes away dominion from the beast  Kingdom is given to the Son and the saints - they will rule forever

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<b>Ram</b>	<b>Male Goat</b>
<p>2 horns (3)                      One was longer than the other (3)                      Longer one came up last (3)                      Butting - west, north, south (4)                      No one could stand before him, no one to rescue (4)                      Did as he pleased and magnified himself (4)</p> <p>Kings of Media and Persia (20)</p>	<p>Came from west - over entire earth - not touching the ground (5)                      Conspicuous horn between his eyes (5) - Greece - Alexander (21)                      Shatters the horns of the ram, tramples him (7)                      Magnifies himself - the horn was broken (8) - Alexander's death                      4 horns come up towards the winds of heaven (8) - 4 kingdoms which come from his nation - but not his power (22)</p> <p>Out of one of the kingdoms came a small horn - grew exceeding great - towards south, east, Beautiful Land (Israel) (9)                      Host and the stars being thrown down and trampled - Jews? (Dan 12:3; Jer 33:22)</p> <p>Magnify himself - exalt himself to be equal to God (11)                      Removes the sacrifice, overthrows God's sanctuary (11)                      The host and sacrifice will be given to the horn and truth will be flung to the ground (12)                      The horn will do its will and prosper (12)</p> <p>He will oppose the Prince of princes - he will be broken without human agency (25)</p> <p>Antiochus Epiphanes is set forth as a type of the antichrist</p>

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Greek Empire - 331-63 BC

Alexander the Great - died in 323 BC

4 horns = 4 Generals that split the kingdom

- Cassander - took west (Greece)
- Lysimachus - north (Thrace, Macedonia)
- Seleucus - east (Babylon, Syria, Persia - Beautiful land - Israel)
- Ptolemy - south (Egypt)

Seleucus Empire

6 kings (generations) into the empire - Antiochus IV Epiphanes 175 -164 BC

- persecutes the Jews - August 171 BC
  - Took the temple treasures
  - Stopped the sacrifices
  - Dedicated the temple to Zeus - put statue of Zeus in the temple
  - Sacrificed a pig on the altar of incense
  - Forbid any religious practice
  - Commanded all the copies of the Law be burned

Maccabees

- had enough with foreign interlopers
  - Mattathias - killed a Hellenized Jew who was going to sacrifice to the idols
    - He and his 5 sons fled
    - Judah Maccabee (son) - destroys Greek altars
    - Maccabbeus - "The Hammer"
    - Many battles
    - Cleansed the temple
      - Hanukkah - celebration of the oil lasting for 8 days
      - Reestablished worship
  - Antiochus persecutes until December 165 BC - dies in 164 BC - insanity and bowel disease
- Rome conquers Greece in 146 BC