

Daniel

Daniel 1

- ¶1. In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim, King of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar, King of Babylon, came to Jerusalem and laid siege against it.
2. And the Lord gave Jehoiakim, King of Judah, into his hand, along with some of the vessels of the house of God. And he brought them into the land of Shinar to the house of his god, and he carried the vessels into the treasure house of his god.
3. And the king spoke to Ashpenaz, the master of his eunuchs, to bring in some of the sons of Israel, including some of the royal seed and of the nobles,
4. young men in whom there was no blemish, and of good appearance, skillful in all wisdom, possessing knowledge, and insightful, and who had the capacity to stand in the king's palace, and to teach them the learning and the language of the Chaldeans.
5. And the king ordered that they should have a portion of the king's daily food and of the wine which he drank and that they should be nourished three years, and at the end of their *appointed time*, that they should stand before the king.
6. Now, among those of the sons of Judah were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah.
7. And the chief of the eunuchs assigned names to them: to Daniel, Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, Shadrach; and to Mishael, Meshach; and to Azariah, Abed-nego.
8. But Daniel determined in his heart that he would not defile himself with the king's food or with the wine which he drank. And so, he besought the chief of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself.
9. And God gave Daniel favor and compassion before the chief of the eunuchs.
10. And the chief of the eunuchs said to Daniel, "I fear my lord the king, who has appointed your food and your drink. For why should he see your countenances more haggard than the young men who are of your age? So, you would endanger my head with the king!"
11. But Daniel said to the steward, whom the chief of the eunuchs had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah,
12. "I pray, test your servants for ten days, and let them give us food from plants for us to eat and water for us to drink.
13. And let our appearance and the appearance of the young men who eat the king's food be examined by you, and then deal with your servants according to what you see."
14. And he consented to them in this matter, and he tested them ten days.
15. And at the end of ten days, their forms appeared better and fatter in flesh than any of the young men who ate the king's food.
16. So, the steward took away their portion and the wine that they were to drink and gave them food from plants.
17. And as for these young men, the four of them, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom, and Daniel had understanding in every vision and in dreams.

18. Now, at the end of the days that the king had said he should bring them in, the chief of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar.
19. And the king spoke with them, and among them all, there was not found any like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah. And they stood before the king.
20. And in all matters of wisdom and understanding about which the king inquired of them, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters that were throughout his kingdom.
21. And Daniel continued until the first year of King Cyrus.

Daniel 2

- ¶1. In the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams by which his spirit was troubled, and his sleep broke from him.
2. Then the king commanded to call the magicians, and the enchanters, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans to explain to the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king.
3. And the king said to them, "I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit is desperate to understand the dream."
4. Then the Chaldeans spoke to the king in Aramaic, "O King, live forever! Tell your servants the dream, and we will make the meaning known."
5. The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, "The thing is completely gone from me! Now, if you do not tell me the dream, with its meaning, you shall be cut in pieces, and your houses shall be made a dunghill!
6. But if you do show the dream and its interpretation, you will receive gifts, and a reward, and great honor from me. Therefore, you show me the dream and its interpretation!"
7. They answered a second time and said, "Let the King tell his servants the dream, and we will show the interpretation."
8. The king answered and said, "I know for certain that you are buying time because you know that the thing is gone from me!
9. So, if you do not make the dream known to me, there is but one decree for you! For you all, alike, would declare a false and offensive thing to me until the time changes. Therefore, you tell me the dream, and then I will know that you can show me the interpretation!"
10. The Chaldeans answered the king, and said, "There is not a man on the earth who is able to show the king's matter, because there is no king, *howsoever* great and powerful, who has ever asked such a thing of any magician, or astrologer, or Chaldean.
11. The thing that the king has asked is extraordinary, and there is no one who can show it to the king except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh."
12. At that, the king was angry and full of fury, and he gave a command to destroy all the wise men of Babylon.

13. So, the decree went forth, and they began killing the wise men, and they intended to kill Daniel and his fellows.
- ¶14. Then Daniel, with counsel and wisdom, responded to Arioch, the captain of the king's guard, who had gone out to slay the wise men of Babylon.
15. He answered and said to Arioch, the king's captain, "Why is the decree so hasty from the king?" Then Arioch explained the matter to Daniel.
16. And so, Daniel went in and requested of the king that he would give him time, and he would declare the interpretation to the king.
17. Then Daniel went to his house, and he explained the matter to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his fellows,
18. that they would desire mercies of the God of heaven concerning this secret, so that Daniel and his fellows would not perish with the rest of the wise men of Babylon.
19. Then the secret was revealed to Daniel in a night vision, and Daniel blessed the God of heaven.
20. Daniel answered and said, "Blessed be the name of God forever and ever! Wisdom and might belong to Him!
21. He changes the times and the seasons; He removes kings, and He establishes kings; He gives wisdom to wise men and knowledge to those who have understanding;
22. He reveals deep and secret things; He knows what is in the darkness, and the light dwells with Him.
23. To you, O God of my fathers, do I give thanks and offer praise for the wisdom and the strength you have given me! And now, you have revealed to me what we asked of you, for you have revealed to us the king's matter."
24. Then Daniel left and went in to Arioch, whom the King had appointed to destroy the wise men of Babylon. And he told him this: "Do not destroy the wise men of Babylon! Bring me in before the king, and I will tell the king the interpretation."
25. Then Arioch hurriedly brought Daniel before the king, and spoke thus to him: "I have found a certain man from among the exiles of Judah who will make known the interpretation to the king."
26. The king answered and said to Daniel (whose name was Belteshazzar), "Are you able to make known to me the dream that I saw, and its interpretation?"
27. Daniel answered before the king and said, "The wise men, the astrologers, the magicians, and the soothsayers cannot reveal to the king the secret which the king has demanded.
28. But there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, and He is making known to king Nebuchadnezzar what shall be in the latter days. This is your dream and visions of your head on your bed:
- ¶29. As for you, O King, your thought kept coming upon your bed: 'What will be after this?' And now, He who reveals secrets has made known to you what will come to pass.

30. But as for me, this mystery was not revealed to me because I have more wisdom than all the living, but so that the interpretation may be made known to the King, and so, you might know the thoughts of your heart.
31. You, O King, were watching, and behold, a great image! This great image stood before you in its extraordinary brightness, and its appearance was terrifying.
32. The head of this image was of fine gold; its chest and its two arms were of silver; its middle and its thighs were of bronze;
33. its legs were of iron; its feet were part iron and part clay.
34. You watched until a stone was cut out, without hands, which struck the image on its feet which were of iron and clay, and it broke them to pieces.
35. Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were altogether crushed and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors, and the wind carried them away so that no place was found for them. And the stone which struck the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.
36. This is the dream. And now, we will declare its interpretation before the King.
37. You, O King, are a King of kings, for the God of heaven has given you the kingdom, the power, and the might, and the glory.
38. And every place inhabited by the sons of men, the beasts of the field, and the birds of heaven has He given into your hand, and He has made you ruler over them all. You are the head of gold.
39. And after you, another kingdom inferior to you will arise, and then another, a third kingdom that is of bronze which will rule over all the earth.
40. And the fourth kingdom will be strong like iron because, just as iron breaks to pieces and shatters everything, and like iron that brings ruin, it will break to pieces and bring ruin upon all these *kingdoms*.
41. And whereas you saw the feet and the toes partly of potter's clay and partly of iron, the kingdom will be divided; yet, some of the strength of iron will be in it, inasmuch as you saw the iron mixed with soft clay.
42. And as for the toes of the feet being partly iron and partly clay, at the end, the kingdom will be strong, but some of it will be broken.
43. In that you saw the iron was mixed with soft clay, they will mix themselves together with the seed of man, but they will not cleave to one another, just as iron does not mix with clay.
44. And in the days of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed. And the kingdom will not be passed on to another people. It will break in pieces and put an end to all these kingdoms, and it will stand forever.
45. Forasmuch as you saw a stone was cut out from the mountain without hands, and it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold, the great God has made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter. And the dream is certain, and its interpretation, sure."

- ¶46. Then King Nebuchadnezzar fell on his face and worshipped Daniel, and said to offer him a gift and incense.
47. The king answered Daniel and said, “Truly, your God is a God of gods, and a Lord of kings, and a revealer of secrets, seeing that you are able to reveal this secret.”
48. Then the king made Daniel great, and he gave him many great gifts, and he made him ruler over all the province of Babylon, and chief prefect over all the wise men of Babylon.
49. And Daniel made request of the king, and he appointed Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego over the affairs of the province of Babylon, and Daniel *sat* in the gate of the king.

Daniel 3

- ¶1. Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold. Its height was sixty cubits, and its width was six cubits. He set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.
2. And Nebuchadnezzar the king sent out to gather the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces to come for the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.
3. Then the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the officials of the provinces gathered together for the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up. And they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.
4. And the herald cried aloud, “To you it is commanded, O peoples, nations, and tongues:
5. When you hear the sound of the cornet, the pipe, lyre, trigon, psaltery, bagpipe, and all kinds of music, you will fall down and you will worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar has set up.
6. And whoever does not fall down and worship will immediately be cast into the midst of the burning, fiery furnace.”
7. Therefore, at the moment when all peoples heard the sound of the cornet, the pipe, lyre, trigon, psaltery, and all kinds of music, then would all the peoples, nations, and tongues fall down and worship the image of gold that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.
8. At that time, therefore, certain men, Chaldeans, approached *the king* and brought slanderous accusations against the Jews.
9. They answered and said to Nebuchadnezzar the king, “O King, live forever!
10. You, O King, issued a decree, that every man who hears the sound of the cornet, the pipe, lyre, trigon, psaltery, and bagpipe, and all kinds of music shall fall down and worship the image of gold
11. and that whoever does not fall down and worship shall be thrown into the midst of the burning, fiery furnace.
12. There are certain men, Jews, whom you appointed over the affairs of the province of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. These men have disregarded your

decree, O King! They neither serve your gods nor worship the image of gold that you set up.”

13. At that, Nebuchadnezzar, in rage and fury, commanded Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego to be brought. Then those men were brought before the king.
14. Nebuchadnezzar answered and said to them, “Is it true, O Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego that you do not serve my gods nor worship the image of gold that I have set up?
15. Now, if you are in range at the time you hear the sound of the cornet, the pipe, lyre, trigon, psaltery, and bagpipe, and all kinds of music, you will fall down and worship the image which I have made! But if you do not worship, you will immediately be thrown into the midst of the burning, fiery furnace. And who is the god that will deliver you out of my hands?”
16. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego answered and said to King Nebuchadnezzar, “We do not lack a response to you regarding this matter.
17. Should that happen, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning, fiery furnace, and He will deliver *us* out of your hand, O King.
18. But if not, be it known to you, O King, that we will not serve your gods, nor worship the image of gold that you set up.”
19. At that, Nebuchadnezzar was filled with rage, and the expression of his face changed toward Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego. He answered and commanded to heat the furnace seven times more than it was usually heated.
20. And he commanded the mightiest men of valor in his army to bind Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, to throw them into the burning, fiery furnace.
21. Then these men were bound in their mantles, their tunics, and their headwear, and their *other* garments, and they were thrown into the midst of the burning, fiery furnace.
22. But because the king’s command was vehement, and the furnace was made extremely hot, the flame of the fire killed the men that carried up Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego.
23. And these three men, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, fell, bound, into the midst of the burning, fiery furnace.
- ¶24. But then, King Nebuchadnezzar was startled, and he jumped up. And he spoke and said to his counselors, “Did we not throw three men into the midst of the fire, bound?” And they answered and said to the king, “Assuredly, O King.”
25. He answered and said, “Behold, I see four men walking unbound in the midst of the fire, and they are unharmed! And the appearance of the fourth is like a son of God!”
26. Then Nebuchadnezzar approached the opening of the burning, fiery furnace, and he spoke and said, “Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, servants of the Most High God, come out and come here!” Then, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego came out from the midst of the fire.

27. And the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, and the king's counselors gathered together and saw these men, that the fire had had no effect on their body. Not even a hair of their head was singed, nor were their mantles changed, nor was there any smell of fire on them.
28. Nebuchadnezzar spoke and said, "Blessed be their God, the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, who sent His angel and delivered His servants who trusted in Him. They even refused the king's command and gave up their body rather than serve or worship any god except their God.
29. Therefore, I make a decree: Any people, nation, or tongue that speaks anything remiss concerning the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego shall be cut in pieces and their house shall be made a dunghill, for there is no other god who is able to deliver in this manner."
30. Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego in the province of Babylon.

Daniel 4

- ¶1. "Nebuchadnezzar the King, to all peoples, nations, and tongues who dwell on all the earth: Peace be multiplied to you.
2. It seemed good to me to proclaim the signs and wonders that the Most High God has done concerning me.
3. How great are His signs, and how mighty are His wonders! His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and His dominion is from generation to generation.
4. I, Nebuchadnezzar, was at rest in my house and faring sumptuously in my palace.
5. I saw a dream, and it frightened me. Yea, the thoughts on my bed and the visions of my head alarmed me.
6. So, I made a decree that all the wise men in Babylon should be brought before me, that they might make known to me the interpretation of the dream.
7. Then the magicians, the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers came in, and I told them the dream, but they could not reveal to me its interpretation.
8. At last, before me stood Daniel, whose name is Belteshazzar, after the name of my god, and in whom is the spirit of the holy gods, and I told him the dream.
9. 'O Belteshazzar, chief of the magicians, since I know that the spirit of the holy gods is in you and no mystery confounds you, you tell the interpretation of the visions of my dream that I saw!
10. Now, the visions of my head upon my bed were these: behold, a tree was in the midst of the land, and its height was great.
11. The tree grew great and became strong, and its height reached to the heavens, and it was visible to the end of all the earth.
12. Its foliage was lovely, and its fruit was abundant, and in it was food for all. The beast of the field found shade under it, and the birds of heaven dwelled in its branches, and all flesh was fed from it.

13. While upon my bed, in the visions of my head as I watched, there was a watcher, even a holy one, descending from heaven,
14. crying aloud and saying thus: "Chop down the tree, and cut off its branches. Strip off its foliage, and scatter its fruit. Let the beasts get away from under it, and the birds, from its branches.
15. Nevertheless, leave the stump with its roots in the ground, even with a band of iron and bronze, in the tender grass of the field, and let him be wet with the dew of heaven and his portion be in the grass of the earth with the beasts.
16. Let his heart will be changed from a man's, and a beast's heart be given to him, and let seven times pass over him.
17. The sentence is by decree of the watchers, and this decision is by command of holy ones, that the living may know that the Most High is Ruler in the kingdom of man, and He gives it to whomsoever He will, and He sets the lowliest of men over it."
18. This is the dream that I, King Nebuchadnezzar, saw. Now, you, O Belteshazzar, tell the interpretation, for none of all the wise men in my kingdom are able to make the interpretation known to me. But you are able, for the spirit of the holy gods is in you.'
19. Then Daniel, whose name is Belteshazzar, was immediately horrified, and his thoughts frightened him. The king responded and said, 'Belteshazzar, do not let the dream and the interpretation frighten you!' Belteshazzar answered and said, 'O my lord, the dream be to them that hate you, and its interpretation to your enemies!
20. The tree which you saw grow great and become strong, with its height reaching to the heavens so that it was visible to all the earth,
21. and whose foliage was beautiful, and that bore much fruit, and in it was food for all, under which the beast of the field dwelled, and in whose branches the birds of heaven lived—
22. it is you, O King, that has grown great and become strong, and your greatness has increased and has reached to the heavens, and your dominion is to the end of the earth.
23. And then the king saw a watcher, even a holy one, descending from heaven, and saying, "Chop down the tree and destroy it! Nevertheless, leave the stump with its roots in the ground, even with a band of iron and bronze, in the tender grass in the field, and let him be wet with the dew of heaven and his portion be with the beast of the field until seven times pass over him."
24. This is the interpretation, O King. This is a decree of the Most High which has come upon my lord the King.
25. They will drive you away from man, and your dwelling shall be with the beast of the field, and they will feed you grass like oxen, and they will wet you with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over you until you know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of man and that He gives it to whomsoever He will.
26. And inasmuch as they said to leave the stump of the tree with its roots, your kingdom shall be secured for you until you know that Heaven rules.

27. Now, O King, may my counsel be acceptable to you. Break off your sins by righteousness and your iniquities by showing mercy to the poor, if there may be a prolonging of your prosperity.'
28. All this came upon Nebuchadnezzar the king.
29. At the end of twelve months, as he walked atop the royal palace of the kingdom of Babylon,
30. the king answered and said, 'Is this not Babylon the Great, which I have built as a royal residence by the might of my power and for the glory of my majesty?'
31. While the word was in the king's mouth, a voice fell from heaven: 'They have spoken concerning you, O King Nebuchadnezzar. The kingdom is departed from you!
32. And they will drive you away from man, and your dwelling will be with the beast of the field. They will feed you grass like oxen, and seven times will pass over you until you know that it is the Most High who rules in the kingdom of man and that He gives it to whomsoever He will.'
33. That very moment, the thing was fulfilled concerning Nebuchadnezzar, and he was driven away from man, and he ate grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven until his hair grew long like eagles' *feathers* and his nails like birds' *claws*.
34. Then, at the end of the days, I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes toward heaven, and my reason returned to me, and I blessed the Most High, and I praised and honored Him who lives forever, whose dominion is an eternal dominion, and His kingdom is from generation to generation.
35. And all the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing, and He does according to His own will among the host of heaven and the inhabitants of the earth, and there is none who can stay His hand, or say to Him, 'What have you done?'
36. At the time my reason returned to me, the honor of my kingdom, my majesty, and my splendor also returned to me, and my counselors and my nobles sought me, and my kingdom was re-established, and surpassing greatness was added to me.
37. I, Nebuchadnezzar, now praise and extol and give glory to the King of heaven, all whose works are right, and His ways, just. And those who walk in pride, He is able to abase."

Daniel 5

- ¶1. Belshazzar the king made a great feast for a thousand of his nobles, and he drank wine before the thousand.
2. Under the influence of the wine, Belshazzar commanded that the gold and silver vessels which Nebuchadnezzar his father had taken from the temple in Jerusalem be brought, so that the king, and his nobles, and his wives, and his concubines might drink from them.
3. Then they brought in the gold vessels that they had taken from the temple, which was in the house of God that was in Jerusalem, and the king and his nobles, his wives and his concubines, drank from them.

4. They drank the wine and praised the gods of gold, and silver, bronze, iron, wood, and stone.
5. All of a sudden, fingers of a man's hand came forth and began writing opposite the lampstand on the plaster of the wall of the king's palace, and the king saw the part of the hand that was writing.
6. Then the king's countenance changed, and his thoughts so terrified him that the joints of his loin were loosed and his knees began knocking together.
7. The king cried aloud for the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers to be brought in. And the king answered and said to the wise men of Babylon, "Whosoever reads this writing and tells me its interpretation will be clothed in purple with a chain of gold around his neck, and he shall rule as third in the kingdom."
8. Then all the king's wise men went in, but they could not read the writing nor make known the interpretation to the king.
9. Then Belshazzar the king became very alarmed, and his countenance changed even more, and his nobles were dumbfounded.
10. Because of the words of the king and his nobles, the queen came into the banquet house. The queen answered and said, "O King, live forever! Do not let your thoughts alarm you, nor your countenance be changed."
11. There is a man in your kingdom in whom is the spirit of the holy gods, and in the days of your father, light, and understanding, and wisdom like wisdom of the gods was found in him. And your father, the King Nebuchadnezzar, *even* your father the king, appointed him master of the magicians, astrologers, Chaldeans, and soothsayers
12. because an excellent spirit, and knowledge, and understanding in interpreting dreams, and revealing mysteries, and unraveling riddles was found in him, even in Daniel, whom the king named Belteshazzar. Let Daniel now be summoned, and he will tell the interpretation."
- ¶13. Then Daniel was brought in before the king. The king answered and said to Daniel, "You are that Daniel who is of the exiles from Judah, whom my father the king brought from Judah."
14. And I have heard of you, that the spirit of the gods is in you, and light, and understanding, and excellent wisdom are found in you.
15. And the wise men and the astrologers were just now brought in before me to read this writing and make its interpretation known to me, but they could not show the interpretation of the thing.
16. But I have heard of you, that you are able to give interpretations and to unravel riddles. If you are able to read the writing now and make its interpretation known to me, you shall be clothed with the purple, with the chain of gold around your neck, and you shall rule as third in the kingdom."

17. Then Daniel answered and said before the king, "Let your gifts be for yourself, and give your rewards to another. Nevertheless, I will read the writing to the King and make known its interpretation to him.
18. O King, the Most High God gave Nebuchadnezzar, your father, the kingdom, and greatness, and glory, and honor.
19. And because of the greatness that He gave him, all peoples, nations, and tongues trembled and were terrified before him. Whomever he would, he killed, and whomever he would, he kept alive, and whomever he would, he lifted up, and whomever he would, he abased.
20. But because his heart was lifted up, and his spirit had become hardened in pride, he was cast down from the throne of his kingdom, and they took his honor from him.
21. And he was driven away from men, and his heart was made like that of a beast, and his dwelling was with the wild asses. They fed him grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, until he knew that the Most High God is Ruler in the kingdom of man and that He sets over it whomever He will.
22. Yet, you, his son, O Belshazzar, have not humbled your heart even though you know all this,
23. but you have lifted yourself up against the Lord of the heavens. For they brought the vessels of His house before you, and you, and your nobles, your wives, and your concubines, drank wine from them, and you praised the gods of silver, and gold, bronze, iron, wood, and stone, which neither see, nor hear, nor know. But the God in whose hand is your breath and all your ways, to Him, you gave no honor!
24. Then, from His presence, He sent forth the part of the hand, and this writing was written.
25. And this is the writing which it inscribed *on the wall*: 'MENE MENE TEKEL and PARSIN.'¹
26. This is the interpretation of it. NUMBERED: God has numbered your kingdom and brought it to an end.
27. WEIGHED: You have been weighed in the balances and are found wanting.
28. DIVIDED: Your kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians."
29. Then Belshazzar commanded, and they clothed Daniel with the purple, with the chain of gold about his neck. And he made a proclamation concerning him, that he was to be the third ruler in the kingdom.
30. In that very night, Belshazzar, the King of the Chaldeans, was killed,
31. and Darius the Mede received the kingdom, at the age of sixty-two years.

Daniel 6

- ¶1. Darius was pleased to set over the kingdom one hundred and twenty satraps, that they might be throughout the kingdom.

¹ In the Aramaic language, *mene* means "numbered", *tekel* means "weighed", and *parsin* means "divided".

2. And over these, *he set* three officials, of whom Daniel was first, that the satraps should give an account to them so that the king might suffer no damage.
3. Then it came to pass that this same Daniel distinguished himself above the officials and the satraps, for an excellent spirit was in him, and the king thought to set him over all the kingdom.
4. Then the officials and the satraps began trying to find an occasion against Daniel pertaining to the kingdom, but they were not able to find any occasion or fault, for he was faithful, and not a single error or fault could be found in him.
5. Afterward, these men said, "We will not find any occasion against this Daniel, unless we find something against him in connection with the law of his God."
6. Then these officials and satraps assembled together before the king and said thus to him:
"O King Darius, live forever!
7. All the officials of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the counselors and the governors, have consulted together to establish a royal statute and make a strong interdict, that for thirty days, whosoever makes a petition to any god or man, except to you, O King, shall be cast into the den of lions.
8. O King, establish the interdict now, and sign the decree so that it cannot be changed, according to the law of the Medes and Persians which cannot be rescinded."
9. Therefore, on account of this, King Darius signed the decree and the interdict.
10. And when Daniel knew that the decree had been signed, he went to his house, and his windows were open in his upper chamber facing Jerusalem, and three times each day, he would get down on his knees and pray and offer praise before his God, all of which he had been doing before this.
11. Then those men came together and found Daniel making a petition and asking for mercy from his God.
12. Thereupon, they approached and spoke before the king concerning the king's interdict:
"Did you not sign an interdict that for thirty days, any man who makes a petition to any god or man, except to you, O King, shall be cast into the den of lions?" The king answered and said, "That is true, according to the law of the Medes and Persians which cannot be rescinded."
13. At that, they answered and said to the king, "This Daniel, who is of the exiles from Judah, has no regard for you, the royal decree, or the interdict that you signed, but three times a day he makes his petition."
14. Then the king, when he had heard this thing, was greatly displeased with himself, and he set *his* mind on Daniel, to save him, and he labored until the setting of the sun to deliver him.
15. Then those men assembled together against the king, and they said to the king, "Know, O King, that it is a law of the Medes and Persians that no interdict or statute which the king establishes can be changed!"

16. At that, the king gave command, and they brought Daniel and cast him into the den of lions. The king answered and said to Daniel, “Your God, whom you serve continually— oh, may He save you!”
17. And a stone was brought and laid over the mouth of the den, and the king sealed it with his signet, and with the signet of his nobles, so that nothing might be altered concerning Daniel.
18. Then the king went to his palace, and he spent the night fasting, nor were diversions² brought before him, and his sleep fled from him.
19. Then the king arose with the dawn, at the break of day, and went in haste to the den of lions.
20. And as he drew near to the den, the king cried out in an anguished voice to Daniel, and he began to say to Daniel, “O Daniel, servant of the living God, was your God whom you serve continually able to deliver you from the lions?”
21. Then Daniel said to the king, “O King, live forever!
22. My God sent His angel and shut the lions ’mouth, and they did not hurt me because before Him, innocence was found in me, and also before you, O King, I have done no wrong.”
23. At that, the king was exceedingly glad for him, and he commanded Daniel to be taken up out of the den. So, Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no wound of any kind was found on him, for he had believed in his God.
24. And then the king commanded, and they brought those men who had slanderously accused Daniel, and they cast them into the den of lions, with their children and their wives. And they did not reach the bottom of the den before the lions overpowered them and crushed all their bones.
25. Afterwards, King Darius wrote to all peoples, nations, and tongues who dwell on all the earth: “Peace be multiplied to you.
26. From me is made a decree, that in every dominion of my kingdom, men are to tremble and fear before the God of Daniel, for He is the living God, and He will endure forever, and His kingdom is one that will not be destroyed, and His dominion will be unto the end.
27. He delivers, and rescues, and performs signs and wonders in the heavens and in the earth, who has delivered Daniel from the power of the lions.”
28. So, this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

Daniel 7

1. In the first year of Belshazzar, king of Babylon, Daniel saw a dream and visions of his head while on his bed. Then, he wrote down the dream *and* told the sum of the events.

² Aramaic uncertain.

2. Daniel began, and he said, "In my vision during the night, I was watching, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the Great Sea.
3. And four great beasts came up from the sea, different from one another.
4. The first was like a lion, but it had the wings of an eagle. I kept watching until its wings were plucked. Then it was lifted up from the earth and made to stand on two feet like a man, and a man's heart was given to it.
5. Then there was another beast, a second one, resembling a bear. And it was raised up on one side, and three ribs were in its mouth between its teeth. And they said this to it: 'Arise! Devour much flesh!'
6. After this, I continued watching, and there was another *beast*, like a leopard. And on its back, it had four wings of a bird. And the beast had four heads, and dominion was given to it.
7. After this, in visions of the night, I was watching, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful, and terrifying, and exceptionally strong! And it had great iron teeth, devouring and breaking in pieces, and it trampled the rest with its feet. And it was different from all the beasts before it, and it had ten pairs of horns.
8. I was contemplating the horns, when behold, another horn, a small one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were uprooted before it. And behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.
9. I continued watching until thrones had been cast down, and then, the Ancient of Days sat down, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, *and* its wheels were a burning fire.
10. A fiery stream flowed and came forth from before Him; a thousand thousands served Him, and ten thousand ten thousands stood before Him. The Judgment sat, and books were opened.
11. I kept watching then because of the sound of the great words that the horn was saying. I watched until the beast was slain and its body destroyed when it was given to the burning fire.
12. And the dominions of the remaining beasts were taken away, yet, a lengthening of their lives was granted to them until an appointed season and time.
13. In the visions of the night, I was there, watching, and behold, one like a son of man was coming with the clouds of heaven, and he approached the Ancient of Days, and they ushered him in before Him.
14. And dominion was given to him, and majesty, and a kingdom. And all peoples, nations, and languages will serve him. His dominion will be an eternal dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingdom shall not be destroyed.
- ¶15. "As for me, Daniel, my spirit was overwhelmed within me, and the visions of my head terrified me.
16. I approached one of those who stood by, and I asked of him the meaning of all this. And he told me, and made me understand the interpretation of these things:

17. "These great beasts, which are four, are four kingdoms that shall arise on earth,
18. but the saints of the Most High will receive the kingdom, and they will take possession of the kingdom forever, even forever and ever."
19. Then I earnestly desired to know about the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, extremely terrifying, whose teeth were of iron, and whose claws were of bronze, which devoured, broke in pieces, and trampled the rest with its feet,
20. and about the ten horns which were on its head, and the other one which came up, and before whom three fell, even that horn and its eyes and a mouth speaking great things, and whose appearance was greater than that of its fellows.
21. I continued to watch, and this horn waged war against the saints and prevailed against them
22. until the Ancient of Days came. Then judgment was given to the saints of the Most High. And the time came, and the saints took possession of the kingdom.
23. He said this: 'The fourth beast is the fourth kingdom which will be on the earth, which will be different from all kingdoms, and it shall devour the whole earth, and it will tread it down and break it to pieces.
24. And the ten horns of this kingdom are ten kings who shall arise. But another will rise up after them, and he will be different from the previous *horns*, and he will bring down three kings.
25. And he will speak words against the Most High, and he will wear out the saints of the Most High, and he shall think to change seasons and law. And they shall be given into his hand until a time, and times, and half a time.
26. But the Judgment will sit, and they will forever take away his power to destroy and put to death.
27. And the sovereignty, and dominion, and greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven was given to the people, the saints of the Most High. His kingdom will be an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey Him.'
28. This is the end of the account. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts greatly troubled me, and my color changed, but I kept the matter in my heart."

Daniel 8

- ¶1. In the third year of the reign of King Belshazzar, a vision appeared to me, Daniel, after that which appeared to me at the first.
2. And I saw in the vision (when I saw it, I was in Shushan the citadel, which is in the Province of Elam), and I saw in the vision that I was by the Ulai River.³
3. Then I lifted up my eyes and looked, and there was a ram standing before the River! And he had two horns, and both horns were high, but one was higher than the other, and the higher one came up last.

³ Unknown location. Perhaps, Ulai Canal.

4. I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward, and no living thing could stand before him, and there was none who could deliver from his power. And he did as he pleased, and he became great.
5. As I was contemplating this, behold, a buck of the goats came from the west over the face of the entire earth, and nothing was touching the ground, and the buck had a prominent horn between its eyes.
6. Then it came to the ram having two horns that I saw standing before the river. And it ran at him in the fury of its strength.
7. And I saw it coming near the ram, and it was enraged at him, and it struck the ram and shattered his two horns, and there was no power in the ram to withstand it. So, it threw him to the ground and trampled him, and there was no one to save the ram from its power.
8. Then the buck grew very great, but when it became strong, the great horn was broken, and four prominent ones came up in its stead toward the four winds of heaven.
9. And out of one of them came one little horn, and he grew very great toward the south and toward the east, even to the beautiful *land*.
10. He grew great even to the host of heaven, and he caused some of the host and some of the stars to fall to the earth, and then he trampled them.
11. Even to a prince of the host did he magnify himself, and he took away from him the continual burnt offering, and the place of his sanctuary was thrown down.
12. A host will also be set against the continual burnt offering because of transgression, and he will cast truth down to the ground. And he will do *exploits* and prosper.
13. Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to the one who was speaking, "For how long is the vision of the continual burnt offering and the transgression that makes desolate, to give both the sanctuary and the host to trampling?"
14. And he said to me, "For two thousand three hundred evenings and mornings, and then, the sanctuary will be put right."
15. And it came to pass that when I, Daniel, saw the vision, I sought understanding. And behold, standing before me, was one having the appearance of a man!
16. And I heard the voice of a man in the midst of Ulai, and he called out and said, "Gabriel! Make this man understand what has been shown!"
17. So he came near where I stood, and when he came, I was terrified, and I fell on my face. And he said to me, "Understand, O son of man, that the vision is for the time of the end."
18. Now, when he spoke with me, I fell into a deep sleep with my face on the ground. But he touched me, and stood me upright.
19. And he said, "Behold, I am making known to you what will happen at the latter end of the indignation, for the end shall be at an appointed time.
20. The ram which you saw with two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.

21. And the shaggy buck is the king of Greece, and the great horn that is between his eyes, it is the first king.
22. But it shall be broken, and four will arise in its place. Four kingdoms will rise up from the nation, yet not with its strength.
23. And at the end of their kingdom, when the transgressors have fulfilled their measure, a king with a fearsome countenance and who understands dark sayings will arise.
24. And his power will be great—but not by his own power—and he will bring about supernatural disasters, and he will prosper, and do *exploits*, and will destroy mighty men and holy people.
25. Moreover, through his cunning, he will also make deceit prosper by his hand to prosper, and with his mind, he will make him great, and with peace will he destroy many. He will even rise up against the Prince of princes, but he will be broken without hand.
26. And the vision of the evening and the morning which was spoken is true. But as for you, seal the vision, for *it is* for many days.
27. Then I, Daniel, was overcome, and I was weak for days. Then I arose and attended to the king's business, but I was astounded by the vision, and there was no understanding *it*.

Daniel 9

- ¶1. In the first year of Darius, son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, who was made king over the kingdom of the Chaldeans,
2. in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, understood by books that the number of the years (which was the word of Jehovah to Jeremiah the prophet) to fulfill the desolations of Jerusalem was seventy years.
3. And so, I set my face to seek the Lord God in prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes.
4. And I prayed to Jehovah my God, and I made confession and said, "I beg you, my Lord, O great and fearsome God, keeping the covenant and lovingkindness for those who love Him and who keep His commandments!
5. We have sinned and committed iniquity, and we have done wickedly, and rebelled, and have turned aside from your commandments and your judgments.
6. And we have not listened to your servants the prophets who spoke in your name to our kings, our rulers, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.
7. Righteousness belongs to you, my Lord, but to us belongs shame of face, as at this day, to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and to all Israel, to those close by and those away in all the lands to which you banished them because of their treachery which they have committed against you.
8. O LORD, shame of face belongs to us, to our kings, to our rulers, and to our fathers because we have sinned against you.

9. Abundant compassion and forgiveness belong to the Lord our God, for we have rebelled against Him,
10. and we have not obeyed the voice of Jehovah our God, to walk in His laws that He set before us by the hand of His servants the prophets.
11. Yea, all Israel have transgressed your law, and they have turned aside so that they would not hear your voice. And so, the curse is poured out upon us, even the oath written in the law of Moses the servant of God, for we have sinned against Him.
12. He has confirmed His words which He spoke to us and to our judges who judged us, bringing great evil upon us. Such has not been done under the whole heaven as that which was done in Jerusalem.
13. Just as it was written in the law of Moses, all this evil came upon us; yet, we have not entreated the favor of Jehovah our God, that we might turn from our iniquities and understand your truth.
14. Therefore, Jehovah has watched over the evil and brought it upon us. Truly, Jehovah our God is righteous in all that He has done, for we have not obeyed His voice.
15. And now, O Lord our God, you are the one who brought your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and you made a name for yourself, as it is this day. We have sinned; we have done wickedly.
16. My Lord, according to all your righteousness, I beg you, turn away your wrath and your burning anger from your city Jerusalem, your holy mountain, for on account of our sins and the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and your people are a reproach to everyone around us.
17. O our God, hear now the prayer of your servant and his supplications, and make your face to shine on your sanctuary that is devastated, for *your name's* sake, O Lord.
18. Incline your ear, O my God, and hear! Open your eyes and see our desolations and the city which is called by your name! It is certainly not because of our righteousness that we lay our supplications before you, but because of your great compassions.
19. O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! O my God, for your own sake, do not delay, for your city and your people are called by your name.”
20. And while I was speaking and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people, Israel, and presenting my supplication before Jehovah my God for the holy mountain of my God,
21. yea, while I was yet speaking in prayer, the man Gabriel whom I saw in the first vision, being made to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening offering.
22. And he caused me to understand, and he talked with me and said, “O Daniel, I have come forth now to give you wisdom and understanding.
23. At the beginning of your supplications, the word came forth, and I have come to declare it, for you are greatly beloved. So then, heed the word and understand the vision:
24. Seventy weeks are determined regarding your people and regarding your holy city, to put an end to the transgression and cause sins to cease, and to atone for iniquity, and to

bring in eternal righteousness, and to seal up vision and prophet, and to anoint the most holy place.

25. Know, therefore, and understand that from the going forth of the commandment to return and to rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince will be seven weeks, and sixty and two weeks. (It will be rebuilt, street and wall⁴, but in troubled times.)
26. And after sixty and two weeks, Messiah will be cut off and will have nothing, and the people of the ruler that will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. Its end will be with a flood, and until the end there will be war; desolations are determined.
27. And he will confirm the covenant with many for one week, and in the middle of the week, he will cause the sacrifice and the offering to cease, but because of the ubiquitousness of detestable things, he who causes horrible desolation *will come*, even to the point of annihilation, and then, that which is determined will be poured out upon the desolator.

Daniel 10

- ¶1. In the third year of Cyrus, King of Persia, something was revealed to Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar, and the thing was certain, even a great tribulation. And he understood the thing and had understanding of the vision.
2. “In those days, I, Daniel, was mourning three full weeks.
3. I ate no delicacies, nor did flesh or wine come into my mouth, nor did I anoint myself at all until three full weeks were completed.
- ¶4. “And on the twenty-fourth day of the first month, I was on the bank of the great river, that is, the Hiddekel.
5. And I lifted up my eyes and looked, and there was a man wearing linen clothes! And his loins were girded with gold of Uphaz,
6. and his body was like beryl, and his face had the appearance of lightning, and his eyes were like flaming torches, and his arms and his feet were like burnished bronze, and the sound of his words was like the sound of a multitude.
7. And I, Daniel, I alone, saw the visitant. For the men who were with me did not see the visitant, but a great trembling fell on them, and they fled, so as to hide themselves.
8. So I was left alone, and I saw this great visitant, and no strength was left in me, and my majesty was turned in me to ruin, and I retained no strength.
9. And then I heard the sound of his words, and when I heard the sound of his words, I fell into a deep sleep on my face, with my face to the ground.
10. And behold, a hand touched me, and it left me trembling on my knees and the palms of my hands.

⁴ Or, moat.

11. And he said to me, 'O Daniel, O man greatly beloved, understand the words that I speak to you, and stand upright, for I have now been sent to you.' And when he spoke this word to me, I stood up, trembling.
12. Then he said to me, 'Do not be afraid, Daniel. For from the first day you set your heart to understand and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard. And I am come because of your words.'
13. But the prince of the kingdom of Persia withstood me for twenty-one days, but, behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I was left there, beside the kings of Persia.
14. And I have come to make you understand what will happen to your people in the last days, for there remains a vision for those days.'
15. And when he had spoken these things to me, I turned my face to the ground and was speechless.
16. And behold, one in the form of the sons of man touched my lips, and I opened my mouth and spoke, and I said to him who stood before me, 'My lord, at the visitation, anguish overwhelmed me, and I retained no strength.'
17. And how can the servant of this my lord, speak with this my lord? For there is no strength in me now to stand, nor does breath remain in me.'
18. Then, again, one having the appearance of a man touched me, and strengthened me.
19. And he said, 'Do not fear, O man greatly beloved! Peace be to you. Be strong! Yea, be strong!' And when he spoke to me, I was strengthened, and I said, 'Speak, Lord, for you have strengthened me.'
20. And then he said, 'Do you know why I have come to you? And I am now returning to fight with the prince of Persia, and I am leaving, but, behold, the prince of Greece has come.'
21. Nevertheless, I will tell you what is inscribed in the writing of truth, and there is not one who holds with me in these things except Michael, your prince.'

Daniel 11

- ¶1. "As for me, in the first year of Darius the Mede, I stood to confirm and to strengthen him.
2. But I will now show you the truth. Behold, three kings shall yet arise in Persia. But the fourth, he will gain riches, greater riches than *they* all. And with his strength through his riches, he will stir up the whole realm of Greece.
3. Then a mighty king will arise, and he will rule a vast dominion. And he will do as he pleases.
4. But when he arises, his kingdom will be broken and divided to the four winds of heaven, but not to his posterity, nor according to his dominion which he ruled, for his kingdom was uprooted and *divided* to others besides them.
5. And the king of the south will be strong, but of his princes, one will be stronger than he, and he will rule. His dominion shall be a great dominion.

6. And after *some* years, they will make an alliance, and a daughter of the king of the south will come to the king of the north in order to make an agreement, but she will not retain the strength of the arm, and neither he nor his arm will stand, and she will be delivered up, and those who brought her, and he that fathered her, and he that strengthened her in those times.
7. But from a shoot of her roots one will stand up in his place, and he will go to the army and come against the fortress of the king of the north, and he will deal against them, and will prevail.
8. Moreover, he will bring their gods captive into Egypt, together with their images and their precious vessels of silver and gold, and he will continue more years than the king of the north.
9. And so, the king of the south went against a kingdom, and then returned to his own land.
10. But his sons were stirred up for war and assembled a multitude of great forces. Then, he will surely come, and overflow, and pass over, but then he will go back. However, they will wage war up to its stronghold.
11. And the king of the south will be enraged, and he will go out and fight with him, with the king of the north. And he will assemble a great multitude, but the multitude will be given into his hand,
12. and when the multitude is taken away, his heart will be exalted, and he will cause tens of thousands to fall though he be not strong.
13. And the king of the north will return and assemble a multitude greater than the first, and after some years pass, he will surely come with a great army and with abundant supplies.
14. And in those times, many will rise up against the king of the south, and the robbers among your people will lift themselves up to fulfill the vision, but they will fall.
15. And the king of the north will come and raise up a siege work and take a well-fortified city, and the forces of the south and its choice men will not stand, for there will be no strength to withstand *him*.
16. And the one who comes against him will do as he pleases and no one will stand before him, and he will stand in the beautiful land with destruction in his hand.
17. And he will set his face to come in with the strength of his whole kingdom, with upright ones with him, and he will do it. Then will he give him a daughter of his wives, to use her to destroy, but she will neither stand with nor be for him.
18. Then, he will turn his face to the coastlands and will capture many places, but a commander will cause his insolence against him to cease. Instead, he will make his insolence turn back on him.
19. So he will turn his face back to the strongholds of his land, but he will stumble and fall, and he will not be found.
20. Then, in his place, one will stand who sends an oppressor throughout the splendor of the kingdom, but in a few days, he will be broken, yet not in anger, nor in battle.

21. And in his place, a vile man will stand up, but upon whom they had not bestowed the glory of the kingdom; yet, he will come in peaceably and obtain the kingdom through intrigues.
22. And the flood of forces will be swept away before him and be broken, as well as the prince of the covenant.
23. And after they have made a league with him, he will deal treacherously, and he will rise up and become mighty with a few people.
24. Then, he will enter peaceably into the richest parts of the province and do what neither his fathers nor his fathers' fathers did. He will disperse among them plunder, and spoil, and goods (but he will be devising his plans against the fortified cities), but only for a time.
25. Then, he will stir up his strength and his will against the king of the south with a great army. The king of the south also will rouse himself for the battle with a very great and mighty army, but he will not stand because they will devise plans against him,
26. and they that eat of his food will break him. And his army will overflow, and many will fall down slain.
27. And the two kings' hearts will be set on evil, and they will speak falsehood at one table, but it will not prosper, for the end will still be at the appointed time.
28. Then, he will return to his own land with great riches, and his heart will be against the holy covenant. And he will do *exploits*, and then return to his land.
29. At the appointed time, he will return and go into the south, but this latter time will not be like the former.
30. For ships from Kittim will come against him, and he will be cowed and go back, but he will be enraged against the holy covenant and take action. And then he will return, and he will show regard for those who forsake the holy covenant.
31. And forces from him will arise and desecrate the temple fortress. And they will take away the daily sacrifice, and will set up the abomination that makes desolate.
32. And violators of the covenant will he make profane through flatteries, but the people who know their God will be strong and will do *exploits*.
33. And the wise among the people will cause many to understand, but they will be brought low by sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by plunder for some days,
34. but when they are brought low, they will receive a little help. And many will join themselves to them with flatteries.
35. And some of the wise will be brought low, to try them, and to purify and make them white until the time of the end, for it is yet for the appointed time.
36. And the king will do as he pleases, and will exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, even above the God of gods. He will speak astonishing things, and he will prosper until the indignation is finished, for what has been determined shall be done.
37. He will have no regard for the God of his fathers or for the delight of women. Yea, he will have no regard for any god, for he will magnify himself above all.

38. But he will honor the god of those who support his office; even a god whom his fathers did not know will he honor with gold, and with silver, and with precious stone, and *other* valuable things.
39. And with a foreign god will he take the most secure fortresses. Whoever acknowledges him, he will greatly honor, and make them rulers over many, and will divide land for a price.
40. And at the time of the end, the king of the south will push at him, and the king of the north will come against him like a storm, with chariotry, and horsemen, and many ships, and he will enter the lands, and overflow, and pass over.
41. He will also enter into the beautiful land, and many will fall. (But these will escape out of his hand: Edom, and Moab, and the choice part of the children of Ammon.)
42. Yea, he will stretch his hand out over the lands, and the land of Egypt will not be for an escape.
43. And he will have control over the treasures of gold and silver and over all the precious things of Egypt, with Libyans and Ethiopians in his train.
44. But reports from the east and from the north will alarm him, and he will go forth with great fury to annihilate and destroy many.
45. And he will pitch the tents of his palace between the seas at the glorious holy mountain, but he will come to his end, and there will be no help for him.

Daniel 12

1. "And at that time, Michael, the great prince who is appointed over the children of your people, will take a stand. But it will be a time of distress such as has not occurred since there was a nation, even to that time. And at that time, your people will be delivered, everyone who is found written in the Book.
2. And multitudes who are asleep in the dust of the ground shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to reproaches and to everlasting abhorrence.
3. And those who have understanding will shine like the brightness of the firmament, and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.
- ¶4. "As for you, Daniel, shut up the words and seal the scroll until the time of the end. Many will rush to and fro, and knowledge will multiply."
5. Then I, Daniel, looked, and behold, two others were standing, one on this bank of the river and one on the other bank of the river.
6. And one said to the man dressed in linen garments who was above the waters of the river, "How long will it be until the end of these wonders?"
7. And I heard the man dressed in linen garments who was above the waters of the river when he raised his right hand and his left hand toward heaven and swore by Him who lives forever that it will be for a time, and times, and a half, and when He completes the shattering of the power of the holy people, all these things will be completed.
8. And I heard, but I did not understand. And I said, "My lord, what will the end of these things be?"

- ¶9. But he said, “Go, Daniel! The words are shut up and sealed until the time of the end.
10. Many will be purged, and made pure, and refined, but the wicked will do wickedly, and none of the wicked will understand, but the wise will understand.
 11. And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away to the setting up of the abomination that makes desolate will be one thousand two hundred and ninety days.
 12. Blessed is he that waits and reaches a thousand three hundred and thirty-five days.
 13. But as for you, you go your way until the end. Then, at the end, you will rest and stand in your lot, on the right.