

1 Cor. 1:22; 2 Cor. 10:5, margin; Acts 17:16-22; 2 Tim. 3:7. Exalting reason above God's word, sin of ancient Greece. Same spirit is manifested in higher criticism at the present day. E. 227.

Dan. 7:25. All four nations persecuted the people of God more or less, but *Rome* only presumed to *change the law of God*.

Rev. 13:14; Isa. 30:8-12, margin. Some spirit manifest in the closing history of the world. P.K. 187, 188.

Dan. 2:35. God,—Pride, self-exaltation; silver,—cruelty, and over-bearing spirit; brass,—exalt man's reason above the word of God; iron,— change God's law to suit the mind of man. Any of these characteristics cherished in the heart means utter destruction, when God destroys all nations.

Isa. 42:8. God demands full surrender. P.K. 189.

Second Chapter Of Daniel

In this line of prophecy the character of the kingdoms is represented under the symbols of different beasts.

Dan. 7:2. Striving winds and a turbulent sea.

Dan. 11:40; Zech. 7:14. Winds denote war.

Rev. 17:15. Water denotes multitudes and nations.

Dan. 7:3. Beasts diverse one from another.

Dan. 7:4. Babylon represented by a lion.

Jer. 50:17. Same symbol used forty years before.

Hab. 1:6-8. Wings denote rapid conquest.

Jer. 17:9. Man's heart denotes wickedness,—nation ready for destruction.

Isa. 13:17, 18. More than 100 years before, Isaiah said Medes were cruel.

Dan. 7:5. When Daniel saw the bear arise, devouring flesh, he recognized it as the nation of which Isaiah had written.

Dan. 7:6. Leopard,—symbol of Greece. Hab. 1:6-8 gives wings as a signal of rapid conquest. Jeremiah used a leopard to represent evil. Jer. 13:23. The spots would seem to indicate a mixture of good and evil.

Dan. 7:7. The fourth a great and terrible beast.

Dan. 7:15, 16. Asks for the meaning.

Dan. 7:17, 18. Four kingdoms followed by God's kingdom.

Dan. 9:2, 3. Daniel was a student of the prophecies and understood the first three symbols.

Dan. 7:19-23. He asks about the fourth.

Dan. 7:23. Fourth beast, fourth kingdom.

Luke 2:1. Rome, the fourth kingdom.

Dan. 7:24. Ten divisions; divided between 356 and 483 A.D.

Dan. 7:24. A different power arises after the division and subdues three kings. The papacy arose in 538; Heruli, Ostrogoths, and Vandals overthrown to make way for it.

Dan. 7:25. Character of the power and length of supremacy. G.C. 439.

Dan. 11:13, margin; Rev. 13:5; 12:6; Num. 14:34. Explain the period of 1260 years. G.C. 54, 55.