
end times

The fulfilment of salvation and judgement at the appointed time.

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End Times - Part 1

Welcome to the Kingdom of God Interpreting Scripture Short Course Sessions on understanding God's intended meaning in the End Times books of the Bible.

To get the most out of these sessions, as you watch each video, follow the 00:00 [TIMECODES] in this workbook and ⏸ [PAUSE] the video to write your answers.

The books of the Bible that are categorised as end times literature are:

Daniel and the Revelation of Jesus Christ

What are the four main aspects of end times literature? ⏸ [01:21 - 01:30]

1. and 2.

3.

4. and

Who receives salvation? ⏸ [01:36]

Who comes under judgement? ⏸ [01:42]

Within end times' literature, how are numbers most commonly used? ⏸ [02:11]

Why is end times literature extremely difficult to interpret? ⏸ [02:30 - 02:53]

We will now journey through a vision given to Daniel and a vision given to John.



	Daniel	**Revelation of Jesus Christ**
What does the book proclaim?	⏸ [03:31 - 03:36] 1. 2.	⏸ [03:42 - 03:52] 1. 2.
Where did the writer receive the vision?	Read **Daniel 1:1** and **1:6** ⏸ [04:41]	Read **Revelation 1:9** ⏸ [05:58]
Who was in power and **what** did the ruler of the time do?	⏸ [04:46 - 04:53]	⏸ [05:58 - 06:14]
	Daniel	**Revelation**
What is the context of the vision in God's whole love story, the Bible?	⏸ [05:01 - 05:21] 1. 2. 3. 4.	⏸ [06:36 - 06:56] 1. 2. 3. 4.





	Read **Daniel 7:9-14**	Read **Revelation 20:10-15**
Who are the characters?	⏸ [08:40 - 09:08]	⏸ [10:25 - 10:51]
	1.	1.
	2.	2.
	3.	
	4.	3.
	5.	4.
	6.	5.
	7.	6.
		7.
	8.	
	9.	



	⏸ [11:05 - 12:04]	⏸ [12:11 - 13:04]
How do the characters interact?	1.	1.
	2.	2.
	3.	3.
	4.	4.
	5.	5.
	6.	6.
	7.	
	8.	
	9.	

What is the first similarity between the two visions? ⏸ [13:10]

What is this symbolic of? ⏸ [13:14]

	Daniel	**Revelation**
How is the ruler referred to?	⏸ [13:23]	⏸ [13:31]

What is white in the vision? ⏸ [13:32 - 13:41]

What is white symbolic of? ⏸ [13:47]

Why is God the only one who can determine or judge what is good and evil? ⏸ [13:48 - 14:02]

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In the vision in Revelation, **who** are those who are judged? ⏸ [14:18]

What is the work they are judged by? ⏸ [14:19 - 14:28]



What is the only work Jesus stated we must do? ⏸ [15:01] Read **John 6:29**

Let us go back to comparing the visions given to Daniel and John.

What is the next thing that is in both visions? ⏸ [15:05]

	Daniel	**Revelation**
How was it represented in each vision?	⏸ [15:06 - 15:14]	⏸ [15:25 - 15:32]
What is it symbolic of?	⏸ [15:23] 1. 2.	⏸ [15:37] 1. 2.

What does the fire represent to those who have aligned themselves with God? ⏸ [15:45 - 15:55]

1. 3.

2.

What does the fire represent to those who have chosen to align themselves with evil? ⏸ [16:04]

What is the next similarity in both visions? ⏸ [16:10]



What do the books that were opened contain? ⏸ [16:19]

Who are those whose names are written in the book of life? ⏸ [16:33]

What happens to those whose names are written in the book of life? ⏸ [16:37]

In the vision given to Daniel, **how** many are standing before the throne? ⏸ [16:47]

What is the number 10 symbolic of? ⏸ [16:39]

What does 10,000 times 10,000 represent in the vision given to Daniel? ⏸ [17:06]

Who are the 10,000 times 10,000 in the vision given to John? ⏸ [17:13]

What is happening to the 10,000 times 10,000 who are standing before God? ⏸ [17:20]

What are the thousand thousands doing in the vision given to Daniel? ⏸ [17:26]

Who are the thousand thousands? ⏸ [17:35]



How is judgement upon evil depicted in the vision given to John? ⏸ [17:50 - 18:04]

What happens to the beast (which is the fourth beast depicted earlier in Daniel chapter 7)? ⏸ [18:12]

What do the four beasts depicted earlier in Daniel 7 represent? ⏸ [18:20]

What comes out of the fourth empire? ⏸ [18:30]

What does the horn do? ⏸ [18:35]

What happens to them? ⏸ [18:36 - 18:44]

Personal reflection

From the End Times - Part 1, what is something about God and His character that has resonated with you?



What is your response/prayer?

Heavenly Father we thank you that you reveal to us the secrets of your heart. We thank you that your eternal plan will be fulfilled and that having received Jesus, we have been passed from judgement to honour, and from death to life. May all of those who have received you, be a true witness of you to those who have yet to hear your truth. Thank you Father, in Jesus' name, amen.

End Times - Part 2

As we learnt in End Times - Part 1, end times literature uses symbolism, especially through numbers. It also contains prophecy of what has yet to be fulfilled and history of what has already taken place. Both Daniel and Revelation were written in times of global persecution against those who had received the one true God, and His right to rule and reign.

We will discover more about God and His eternal plan by continuing to compare the vision in Daniel chapter 7 with the vision in the Revelation of Jesus chapter 20. So let us continue our journey through End Times literature.

To discover more about the judgement, let us go to **Revelation 19:11-16**.

	Daniel	**Revelation**
How is one who has the right to judge the nations referred to?	⏸ [04:00 - 04:09]	⏸ [04:13 - 04:23]

Read **Revelation 1:5-7**

Who is the ultimate ruler, the King of all kings? ⏸ [05:19]

Who will see him coming with the clouds? ⏸ [05:26]

Read **Matthew 26:63-64**

Who does Jesus confirm is the Son of God and also the Son of Man? ⏸ [06:42]

Who has been given ultimate power, dominion and glory, and a kingdom that shall never be destroyed? ⏸ [07:17]

Read **Revelation 5:8-14**

Who has redeemed people from every tribe, tongue and nation by His blood sacrifice? ⏸ [09:14]

Who has been given all power and honour and glory? ⏸ [09:21]

Read **Revelation 17:14**

What are some aspects that describe the Lamb who was slain? ⏸ [09:52 - 10:18]



Read **Daniel 7:18**, **21-22** and **27**

Who does the one with ultimate power give all of His kingdom to? ⏸ [11:36]

Who are the saints? ⏸ [11:42]

When will the fullness of God's kingdom occur? ⏸ [12:08]

Why were these two visions (**Daniel 7** and **Revelation 20**) written? ⏸ [12:46]

What is the fulfilment of God's eternal plan in regards to judgement? ⏸ [12:57]

1.

2.

What is the fulfilment of God's eternal plan in regards to salvation for all those who have received God's right to rule and reign? ⏸ [13:05]

Who is the only one who can determine what is good and what is evil? ⏸ [13:14]

What does the book of the Revelation of Jesus bring together? ⏸ [13:33]

Who is the one in whom everything will be brought into one? ⏸ [13:44]



What does end times literature reveal about God's eternal plan? ⏸ [14:03]

What can we remember with great hope? ⏸ [14:08]

What will be made complete for all those who have received Jesus, received God when Jesus returns? ⏸ [14:11]

Personal reflection

From End Times - Part 2, what is something about God and His character that has resonated with you?

What is your response/prayer?

Heavenly Father, we thank you for revealing your eternal plan to us and your love for all people. Like the Apostle Paul prayed for all the saints throughout the ages, together we pray according to your will, that each of the saints may receive a deeper revelation of your love, truth and power. Together with your Spirit, we testify of Jesus, and say thank you Father, in Jesus' name, amen.



End Times Further Study

As we discovered through our journey of the end times literature, there are many visions and symbolic word pictures included. One such word picture is that of four beasts. To gain a greater understanding of God's intended meaning of what the four beasts represent, we will study other visions given to Daniel and John.

Read **Daniel 7:2-8**

Who are the characters? Read **verses 2**, **3** and **8**

1. 3.

2.

Who is speaking? Read **verse 2**

Who are they speaking to? Read **verses 1-2**

Who are they speaking about? Read **verses 2-3**

Let us discover the details of the four beasts.

Where did the four beasts come from? Read **verse 3**

What was the first beast like? Read **verse 4**

What was the second beast like? Read **verse 5**

What was the third beast like? Read **verse 6**



What were the characteristics of the fourth beast? Read **verse 7**

How is the little horn described? Read **verse 8**

What did Daniel watch happen to the first beast? Read **verse 4**

What did Daniel watch happen to the second beast? Read **verse 5**

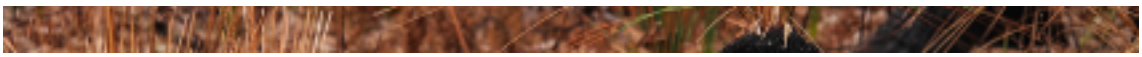
What did the second beast have in its mouth? Read **verse 5**

What was the second beast told to do? Read **verse 5**

What was given to the third beast? Read **verse 6**

What was the fourth beast doing? Read **verse 7**

Where does the little horn come from? Read **verse 8**



What was the little horn doing? Read **verse 8**

To understand the symbolism and what the four beasts represent, we will go to another passage of scripture. This time to a vision given to King Nebuchadnezzar. This vision is about the same subject as the vision given to Daniel of the four beasts, however this time it is looking through the eyes of prideful humanity.

Read **Daniel 2:27-35**

Who are the characters? Read **verses 27** and **28**

1. 5.
2. 6.
3. 7.
4.

Who is speaking? Read **verse 27**

Who are they speaking to? Read **verse 27**

Who are they speaking about? Read verses **27**, **28** and **29**

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3.

What was the head of the great image (statue) made of? Read **verse 32**

What were the chest and the arms of the great image (statue) made of? Read **verse 32**



What were the belly and thighs of the great image (statue) made of? Read **verse 32**

What were the legs and feet of the great image (statue) made of? Read **verse 33**

What were the characteristics of the stone (rock)? Read **verse 34**

How do the characters interact?

1. Daniel's interaction with the king. Read **verse 27**

2. God in heaven's interaction with King Nebuchadnezzar. Read **verse 28**

3. The stone's (rock) interaction with the image (statue). Read **verse 34**

What happened to the image (statue) of iron, bronze, silver and clay? Read **verse 35**

What happened to the stone (rock)? Read **verse 35**

To gain a greater understanding of God's intended meaning of Nebuchadnezzar's dream, let us read the interpretation of this vision given to Daniel by the God of heaven.

Read **Daniel 2:36-45**



Who does the head of gold of the image represent? Read **verse 38**

What kingdom did Nebuchadnezzar rule over? Read **Daniel 1:1**

Back to **Daniel 2:36-45**

What does the silver and the bronze of the image represent? Read **verse 39**

What does the iron of the image represent? Read **verse 40**

What is the strongest and most brutal of the four kingdoms? Read **verse 40**

What does the fourth kingdom do to all the others? Read **verse 40**

What do the toes of the statue represent? Read **verse 41-43**

What will happen in the time of these kings (represented by the toes of the statue)? Read **verse 44**

Unlike the kingdoms of humanity that come and go, **what** are the characteristics of God's kingdom that He shall set up on the earth? Read **verse 44**

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Now let us compare the details of the beasts with the great image (statue).

The depiction of the first kingdom of humanity in Daniel 7:4 is a lion with eagle's wings. In the vision of the great image (statue) in Daniel 2:32, it is the head of gold. As we previously discovered, this is the kingdom of Babylon.

After King Nebuchadnezzar died, his son Belshazzar inherited the Babylonian kingdom (also referred to as the kingdom of the Chaldeans). Upon the death of Belshazzar, the second kingdom rose up.

The depiction of the second kingdom of humanity in Daniel 7:5 is a bear raised up on one side with three ribs between its teeth. In the vision of the great image (statue) in Daniel 2:32, it is the chest and arms of silver.

Let us now discover what kingdom of humanity is represented by this imagery. We will do this by reading about the death of Belshazzar and another vision given to Daniel where the second kingdom is depicted as a ram.

Read **Daniel 5:30-31**, **Daniel 8:3-4** and **Daniel 8:20**

Which kingdom of humanity is depicted as the second kingdom in the visions?

After the rule of the alliance of Media and Persia, a third kingdom of humanity swept across the whole earth with furious power. The depiction of the third kingdom of humanity in Daniel 7:6 is a leopard with four wings. In the vision of the great image (statue) in Daniel 2:32, it is the belly and thighs of bronze.

Let us now discover what kingdom of humanity is represented by this imagery. We will again go to another vision given to Daniel where the third kingdom is depicted as a male goat from the west.

Read **Daniel 8:5-8** and **Daniel 8:21-22**

Which kingdom of humanity is depicted as the third kingdom in the visions?



After the kingdom of Greece was broken into four regions, a fourth kingdom of humanity seized power.

The depiction of the fourth kingdom of humanity in Daniel 7:7 is a beast more dreadful and terrible than all the others. This beast is exceedingly strong, depicted with iron teeth that devour, break into pieces and trample the regions it overtakes. In the vision of the great image (statue) in Daniel 2:33, it is the legs of iron and the feet which are made partly of iron and partly of clay.

Let us now discover what kingdom of humanity is represented by this imagery.

It was during the reign of the fourth kingdom of humanity depicted in the vision given to Daniel that the Son of God became the Son of Man. This was the beginning of the fulfilment of the kingdom of God being established on the earth.

In the New Testament in Luke 2:1 we discover that Caesar Augustus was in power when Jesus, the Son of God, became the Son of Man. He was the ruler of the Roman Empire, which was the world power of that time.

Back to the vision given to Daniel, both history and the New Testament confirm that the Roman Empire was more dreadful and terrible than all the previous empires of humanity. It was exceedingly strong and dominated the world, establishing unjust systems and delighting in extreme cruelty. The empire was willing to torture, shame, mock and publicly execute an innocent man. Therefore, the fourth empire depicted as more dreadful and terrible than all the others is the Roman Empire.

In Daniel 2:41 we discover the feet and toes are subsequent kingdoms that come out of the fourth kingdom (the Roman Empire). In Daniel 7:24 these ten empires of humanity that arise from the fourth kingdom are depicted as ten horns and ten kings.

As we learnt in the end times videos, numbers in end times literature are primarily symbolic and not literal. Generally speaking, the number ten throughout the bible represents humanity in the context of their rejection of God and who they choose to worship or align themselves with.



The ten empires which come out of the fourth kingdom (the Roman Empire) represent all the subsequent empires of humanity. Let us go to the book of the Revelation of Jesus to discover the root of their allegiance and who they have aligned themselves with.

Read **Revelation 13:1-9**

To help us gain a greater understanding of God's intended meaning, let us ask questions of the text.

Who are the characters?

1. **verse 1**
2. **verse 1**
3. **verse 2**
4. **verse 3**
5. **verse 6**
6. **verse 6**
7. **verse 7**
8. **verse 8**
9. **verse 9**

As we discovered earlier, 'I' is John. He is describing what he sees to anyone who is willing to listen.

What is the description of the beast who rises out of the sea? Read **verses 1-2**



Who did all the world follow? Read **verse 3**

Who did they worship? Read **verse 4**

Who gave the beast its power and authority? Read **verse 4**

Who is the dragon? Read **Revelation 12:9**

Remembering that ten in the visions given to Nebuchadnezzar (the ten toes of the image (statue)) and Daniel (ten horns of the fourth beast) represent the empires of humanity that come after the demise of the fourth empire, let us go to a later passage in Revelation where an angel is explaining to John the vision of the beast rising out of the sea.

Read **Revelation 17:12-14**

What do the ten horns of the beast that rises out of the sea represent? Read **verse 12**

Who do the ten rulers (representing humanity's empires) give their power and authority to? Read **verse 13**

Who do they make war with? Read **verse 14**



In summary, while Nebuchadnezzar perceived the empires of humanity as a towering image (statue) to be admired, through the visions given to Daniel and John the root of humanity's empires are revealed. They have aligned themselves with evil, given power to evil and are at war with God. They have chosen their eternal destination, which is the same destination as evil.

In Daniel 7:3 and Revelation 13:1 the beast/s (empires of humanity) rise out of the ocean. The ocean in end times literature is symbolic of the world without God.

Reading further on in Revelation 13, we discover there is another beast. This one rises out of the earth and has two horns like a lamb. This represents both a person who portrays themselves as Christ (the antichrist) and the false prophet (which is the power and spirit of evil).

The beast/s that rise out of the ocean (who are the empires of humanity) give their power to the beast that rises out of the earth.

It's important to understand that humanity gives evil the power and authority to rule and reign. Having aligned themselves with evil, the empires of humanity come under God's wrath which is the judgement of evil. This judgement includes the eternal destination of the lake of fire burning with brimstone where they are tormented day and night forever and ever.

In Revelation 20:10 we read that this is the eternal destination for the devil (Satan), the beast (that rises out of the earth) and the false prophet. Having rejected God, rejected Jesus, each individual and the empires of humanity have chosen the same eternal abode as the beast, the false prophet and Satan.

Let us remember that each individual has a free choice. The choice to align themselves with God and only good or the choice to align themselves with Satan and only evil. For those who have chosen to align themselves with God and only good, the fulfilment of our salvation will occur when evil is judged and is totally eliminated. We will then be free to live with God and only good for all eternity.



Personal reflection

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