

Rev. 13:1, "And I stood on the sand of the sea. Then I saw a beast coming up out of the sea, having ten horns and seven heads, and on his horns were ten diadems, and on his heads were blasphemous names.

13:2, "And the beast which I saw was like a leopard, and his feet were like those of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. And the dragon gave him his power and his throne and great authority."

Dan. 8:5, “While I was observing, behold, a male goat was coming from the west over the surface of the whole earth without touching the ground; and the goat had a conspicuous horn between his eyes.”



Dan. 8:8, “Then the male goat magnified himself exceedingly. But as soon as he was mighty, the large horn was broken; and in its place there came up four conspicuous horns toward the four winds of heaven.”

Dan. 8:21, “And the shaggy goat represents the kingdom of Greece, and the large horn that is between his eyes is the first king.”

Dan. 8:22, “And the broken horn and the four horns that arose in its place represent four kingdoms which will arise from his nation, although not with his power.”



The Empire of Alexander

- Limits of Alexander's empire 323 B.C.
- Alexander's route
- Major battles
- - - - Nearchus' voyage
- Cities founded by Alexander

0 100 200 300 400 500 Miles
 0 200 400 600 800 Kilms

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Rival Powers ca. 192 B.C.

- Major Hellenistic states
- Lesser Hellenistic states
- Roman domain
- Carthaginian realm



Antiochus IV Epiphanes

The Antichrist Foreshadowed

- **Character: brilliant, arrogant, cunning**
- **Culture: destroy all Divine viewpoint influence**
- **Control: taxation, power, deification**

Dan. 8:12, “And on account of transgression the host will be given over to the horn along with the regular sacrifice; and it will fling truth to the ground and perform its will and prosper.”

Dan. 8:13, “Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to that particular one who was speaking, ‘How long will the vision about the regular sacrifice apply, while the transgression causes horror, so as to allow both the holy place and the host to be trampled?’ ”

Dan. 8:14, “And he said to me, ‘For 2,300 evenings and mornings; then the holy place will be properly restored.’ ”

Dan. 8:15, “And it came about when I, Daniel, had seen the vision, that I sought to understand it; and behold, standing before me was one who looked like a man.”

Dan. 8:16, “And I heard the voice of a man between the banks of Ulai, and he called out and said, ‘Gabriel, give this man an understanding of the vision.’ ”

Dan. 8:17, “So he came near to where I was standing, and when he came I was frightened and fell on my face; but he said to me, ‘Son of man, understand that the vision pertains to **the time of the end.’ ”**

Dan. 8:18, “Now while he was talking with me, I sank into a deep sleep with my face to the ground; but he touched me and made me stand upright.”

Dan. 8:23, “And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors have reached their fullness, a king shall arise, having fierce features, who understands sinister schemes.”

1. He is insolent, 8:23

עַז־פָּנִים *‘az panim* “strong of face” Heb. Indicating used figuratively to indicate someone who is arrogant, impudent, audacious, presumptuous.

2. Skilled in intrigue, 8:23

וּמְבִין חִידוֹת *umebin chidot* “discerning riddles” able to solve seemingly difficult problems

Dan. 8:24, “And his power will be mighty, but not by his own power, and he will destroy to an extraordinary degree and prosper and perform his will; he will destroy mighty men and the holy people.”

Dan. 8:25, “And through his shrewdness he will cause deceit to succeed by his influence; and he will magnify himself in his heart, and he will destroy many while they are at ease [at peace]. He will even oppose the Prince of princes, but he will be broken without human agency.”

Shrewd, 8:25

שֵׂכֶל, *sekel* – Wisdom, understanding, but in the negative context it refers to cunning, shrewdness.

**Dan. 9:26, “And after the sixty-two weeks
Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself; and
the people of the prince who is to come shall
destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it
shall be with a flood, and till the end of the war
desolations are determined.**

**Dan. 9:27, “Then he shall confirm a covenant with
many for one week; but in the middle of the week
he shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering.
And on the wing of abominations shall be one
who makes desolate, even until the
consummation, which is determined, is poured
out on the desolate.”**