Daniel 8 Bible Study 12/21/22

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8 Inthe third year of the reign of King Belshazzar a vision appeared *to* me—to me, Daniel—after the one that appeared to me the first time.

2I saw in the vision, and it so happened while I was looking, that I *was* in Shushan, the citadel, which *is* in the province of Elam; and I saw in the vision that I was by the River Ulai.

3Then I lifted my eyes and saw, and there, standing beside the river, was a ram which had two horns, and the two horns *were* high; but one *was* higher than the other, and the higher *one* came up last.

4I saw the ram pushing westward, northward, and southward, so that no animal could withstand him; nor *was there any* that could deliver from his hand, but he did according to his will and became great.

5And as I was considering, suddenly a male goat came from the west, across the surface of the whole earth, without touching the ground; and the goat *had* a notable horn between his eyes.

6Then he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing beside the river, and ran at him with furious power.

7And I saw him confronting the ram; he was moved with rage against him, attacked the ram, and broke his two horns. There was no power in the ram to withstand him, but he cast him down to the ground and trampled him; and there was no one that could deliver the ram from his hand.

8Therefore the male goat grew very great; but when he became strong, the large horn was broken, and in place of it four notable ones came up toward the four winds of heaven.

9And out of one of them came a little horn which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the Glorious *Land.*

10And it grew up to the host of heaven; and it cast down *some* of the host and *some* of the stars to the ground, and trampled them.

11He even exalted *himself* as high as the Prince of the host; and by him the daily *sacrifices* were taken away, and the place of His sanctuary was cast down.

12Because of transgression, an army was given over *to the horn* to oppose the daily *sacrifices;* and he cast truth down to the ground. He did *all this* and prospered.

13Then I heard a holy one speaking; and *another* holy one said to that certain *one* who was speaking, “How long *will* the vision *be, concerning* the daily *sacrifices* and the transgression of desolation, the giving of both the sanctuary and the host to be trampled underfoot?”

14And he said to me, “For two thousand three hundred days; then the sanctuary shall be cleansed.”

15Then it happened, when I, Daniel, had seen the vision and was seeking the meaning, that suddenly there stood before me one having the appearance of a man.

16And I heard a man’s voice between *the banks of* the Ulai, who called, and said, “Gabriel, make this *man* understand the vision.”

17So he came near where I stood, and when he came I was afraid and fell on my face; but he said to me, “Understand, son of man, that the vision *refers* to the time of the end.”

18Now, as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep with my face to the ground; but he touched me, and stood me upright.

19And he said, “Look, I am making known to you what shall happen in the latter time of the indignation; for at the appointed time the end *shall be.*

20The ram which you saw, having the two horns—*they are* the kings of Media and Persia.

21And the male goat *is* the kingdom of Greece. The large horn that *is* between its eyes *is* the first king.

22As for the broken *horn* and the four that stood up in its place, four kingdoms shall arise out of that nation, but not with its power.

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.  
24His power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; He shall destroy fearfully, And shall prosper and thrive; He shall destroy the mighty, and *also* the holy people.

25“Through his cunning  
He shall cause deceit to prosper under his rule;  
And he shall exalt *himself* in his heart.  
He shall destroy many in *their* prosperity.  
He shall even rise against the Prince of princes;  
But he shall be broken without *human* means.

26“And the vision of the evenings and mornings Which was told is true;  
Therefore seal up the vision, For *it refers* to many days *in the future.*”

27And I, Daniel, fainted and was sick for days; afterward I arose and went about the king’s business. I was astonished by the vision, but no one understood it.

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# 8Therefore the male goat grew very great; but when he became strong, the large horn was broken, and in place of it four notable ones came up toward the four winds of heaven.

# *Four kingdoms were formed out of his empire known today as Greece, Turkey, Syria and Egypt.*

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# 9And out of one of them came a little horn which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the Glorious *Land.*

# *Out of one of these four divisions of the old Grecian empire will come the horn, or the future Antichrist , who will become great in Egypt, Iraq, and Palestine.*