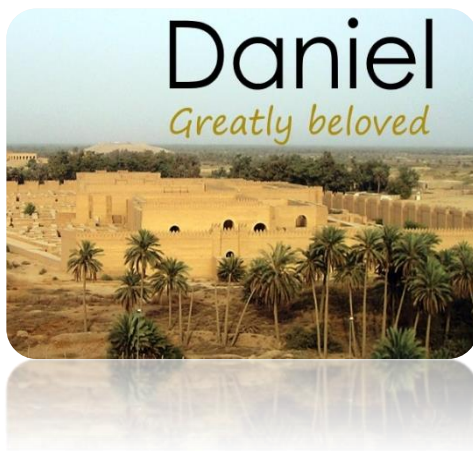


The six previous chapters of this book were historical; now we enter with fear and trembling the last six, which are prophetic; in which are many dark things, difficult to be understood; yet they are plain and profitable, which God will enable us to make of good use. In this chapter we have Daniel's vision of four beast govt's; which have both a speedy fulfilment of history 2500 years ago; as well as elements reaching to the end of the time of the Gentile nations. – Matthew Henry.



这本书的前六章是历史性的;现在在我们战战兢兢地进入具有先知性的后六章。其中有许多黑暗的东西,难以理解;然而这些事是朴素的,是有益的,神必使我们得益处。在这一章中,我们看到了但以理对四兽政府的看法;它们都在 2500 年前的历史上取得了快速的成就;以及延伸到外邦民族时代的末期。——马太亨利。

¹ **In the first year of Belshazzar the last king of Babylon** / that would be 553BC. In 1854, the archaeologist Rawlinson discovered this name: Belshazzar. Historically, this chapter fits in time before Daniel chapter 5.

¹ 巴比伦王伯沙撒元年, /那是在公元前 553 年。1854 年, 考古学家罗林森发现了这个名字:伯沙撒。从历史上看, 这一章发生在《但以理书》第五章之前。

Daniel had a dream and visions in his head upon his bed:

但以理在床上作梦, 见了脑中的异象,

then he wrote the dream, and told the summary / the prominent details, the chief substance... including the proverbial elephant in the room! Which will be in the room, until the kingdom of Christ our Rock comes and crushes the final govt gone wild! Which is what we're reading now.

就记录这梦, 述说其中的大意。/突出的细节, 主要的内容, 包括众所周知的事情!直到基督的国度来临, 我们的石头碾碎了最后的政府。这就是我们现在读的。

² **Daniel spoke and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold** / pay attention,

² 但以理说, 我夜里见异象, /请注意

the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea / the rab sea; the sea of humanity.

看见天的四风陡起, 刮在大海之上。/ rab 海; 茫茫的人海。

³ **And four great beasts** / in Aramaic, this cardinal number was previously used in chapter 3, when Nebuchadnezzar is full of fury... that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego refused to bow down to government; and he commanded the 3 men be burned in the furnace.

³ 有四个大兽 /在亚兰语中, 这个重要的数字在第三章中也使用过, 当时尼布甲尼撒盛怒之下, 沙得拉、米煞、亚伯尼歌拒绝向政府低头; 于是吩咐把这三个人放在炉里烧了。

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But to his amazement, in broad daylight... the king sees 4 men... walking among the fire. same word!

Perhaps, these verses should equally amaze the people who appreciate God's word. We learn from Daniel, **only 4** great, brutal govts are in focus. **That is all; not really complicated... only 4!** And history even written by Rome... is not timid to tell us: After Babylon, Medo-Persia took the stage... then Greece; and finally, Rome. 3 times in this chapter, we read about these 4 great beasts; **4** times in this chapter Daniel speaks of **the 4th great beast** -- that had Daniel's attention.

In education, we call this: dinning in the information; even when the student says, I heard you the first time! There are logical reasons why some who claim to be the sole authority of the church... who have spent years, even centuries causing people **not** to read the Word of God; substituting their dogma, revelation and tradition!

It makes perfect sense why the roman church would want to avoid reading God's Word. and seek to discredit its authority. It makes perfect sense! Perhaps, like Daniel this 4th savage govt should have our attention, too.

four great beasts / this word is: **rab-rab**. four **very great** beasts – 4 governments gone wild, monstrous, brutal and inhumane...

came up from the sea of humanity, diverse one from another / each one was different from the others; and we learn at least 2 identifiable details of each of these beasts.

4 The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings / we learn that's **BABYLON**, the head of GOLD -- in chapter 2... next for clarity, we change the order of those two details,

I beheld / Daniel says... I paid attention, **[1]** **and it stood upon the feet as a man, and a heart of a man was given to it** / and we know that was Nebuchadnezzar,

但令他惊讶的是，在光天化日之下，国王看到四个人…在火中行走。同一个词!

也许，这些经文同样会让那些欣赏神话语的人感到惊奇。我们从但以理身上学到的是，只有 **4 个** 伟大而残酷的政府是焦点。**这是所有;不太复杂…只有 4 个!**甚至由罗马书写的历史……也不怕告诉我们:巴比伦之后，玛代波斯登上了舞台……然后是希腊;最后是罗马，这一章我们读了三次这四种巨兽;在这一章中，但以理四次提到**第四个野兽**，这引起了但以理的注意。

在教育领域中，我们称之为:进食信息;甚至当学生说，我第一次听到这种说法!有些人声称自己是教会唯一的权威，他们花了数年甚至数世纪的时间让人们**不去**读神的话语，这是有逻辑原因的;取代他们的教条，启示和传统!

这就解释了为什么罗马教会想要避免阅读上帝的话语。并试图败坏其权威。这完全讲得通!也许，像但以理一样，这个第四野蛮政府也应该引起我们的注意。

有**四个大兽**/ 这个单词是:**rab-rab**。四个**非常伟大**的野兽——四个疯狂的、可怕的、残忍的、非人道的政府……

从海中上来，形状各有不同/ 每个都各不相同;我们至少了解了这两只野兽的两个可识别的细节。

4 头一个像狮子，有鹰的翅膀。 / 我们知道在第二章中**巴比伦**，黄金之头，为了清楚起见，我们改变了这两个细节的顺序，

我正观看的时候 /但以理说，**[1]** **兽从地上得立起来，用两脚站立，像人一样，又得了人心。**
/ 我们知道那是尼布甲尼撒，

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[2] till its wings were plucked, and it was lifted up from the **earth** / till what made the kingdom to soar, Belshazzar being the last plucked by Darius the Mede,

⁵ And behold / pay attention,

another beast, a second, like a bear, **[1]** and it raised up itself on one side / the **MEDO-PERSIA** kingdom of SILVER. This kingdom started out with Darius of the MEDES... being stronger than Persia; but by the time of Esther... ended with Cyrus and the Persians being stronger than the others. One side was raised up higher,

[2] and had three ribs in the mouth of it between its teeth / and was it chewing on the 3 major conquests of Medo-Persia? Lydia... and Egypt... and Babylon; the stiff ribs that prohibited their advance; they were in the news back then; they're still in the news, today:

and they said thus to it, Arise, devour much flesh / Moffat said, It was told to go, devour much. And who is *they*? Well, whoever it was who commanded... and got them up off their butts... and moving.

⁶ After this I beheld / Daniel paid attention,

and lo / mark this; another, like a leopard / the third kingdom... the **GRECIAN**, BRONZE kingdom,

[1] like a leopard which had upon its back four wings of a fowl / notice, the beast couldn't move without those 4 wings enabling it to move swiftly and swoop down like a bird, and attack like an eagle or a vulture; and that is what Alexander the great did to the Medo-Persians until he died;

[2] the beast also had four heads; and dominion was given to it / so we know there is life in the Grecian beast after Alexander died, his four generals took over his kingdom.

[2] 兽的翅膀被拔去，兽从地上得立起来 / 直到使国兴旺，伯沙撒被玛代人大流士除掉，

⁵ 又有一兽如熊，

就是第二兽，**[1]** 旁跨而坐 / **玛代波斯王国**，这个王国开始时是米代人大流士...比波斯更强大；但到了以斯帖时代，赛鲁士和波斯人的力量超过了其他民族。一边被抬高了，

[2] 口齿内衔着三根肋骨 / 它是在吞吃三次征服波斯的战役吗？吕底亚，埃及，巴比伦；僵硬的肋骨阻止了它们前进；他们在当时的新闻中出现；今天它们仍然在新闻中出现：

有吩咐这兽的说，起来吞吃多肉。

/ 莫法特说，它被告知要去吞噬很多东西。他们是谁？好吧，是谁指挥...，并把他们从屁股上拉起来...，并行动起来。

⁶ 此后我观看 / 但以理注意，

又有一兽如豹 / 第三个王国，**希腊王国**，青铜王国

[1] 又有一兽如豹，背上有鸟的四个翅膀 / 注意，如果没有这 4 只翅膀，这只猛禽就无法移动，无法像鸟一样快速俯冲，也无法像鹰或秃鹰那样攻击；这就是亚历山大大帝在死前对我多波斯人所做的事情；

[2] 这兽有四个头，又得了权柄 / 亚历山大死后，他的四位将军接管了他的王国。

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But it is interesting how Daniel races past those first 3 kingdoms... as he approaches this fourth very great beast -- this government gone wild, monstrous, brutal and inhumane.

7 After this I / Daniel... saw in the night... visions,

and behold / pay attention, a fourth beast / not given a familiar beast as its description,

dreadful and terrifying, and exceedingly strong; and it had great iron teeth / very great iron teeth. This non-descript fourth beast is found in 2 Esdras in much more detail... describing it as the 3-headed eagle that became the Roman Caesars, the Russian Tsars, and the German Kaisers... beginning with the **ROMAN** empire of IRON... until it morphed into this terrifying beast of the 20th century; **but it doesn't stop there.**



Where is this last beast now? It still is at work. **Revelation 17 and 18**, John says, like a faithless Mother of whores... others are impressed with her faithless successes, and attempt to imitate their mother -- not a bride, but a whore... sitting in the saddle of govt, riding it in pursuit of world dominance!

Behold / Daniel says, pay attention: [1] and it / the 4th beast devoured and broke in pieces, and stamped the residue with its feet / all it does best is break and destroy... including the remnant of God's people even today, as it tries to stamp out God's people!

Daniel says...

[2] and it / the 4th beast was different from all the beasts that were before it / this 4th beast... this govt gone monstrously wild... was different than the first 3;

但有趣的是，但以理如何超越了前三个王国，当他接近第四个伟大的野兽时，这个疯狂、可怕、残忍、不人道的政府。

7 其后我/但以理... 在夜间的异象中观看，

见第四兽/没有仔细描述这只野兽，

甚是可怕，极其强壮，大有力量，有大铁牙，/非常大的铁牙。这只难以描述的第四种野兽在《埃斯德拉斯记》中有更详细的记载，它被描述为后来的罗马凯撒、俄国沙皇和德国皇帝的三头鹰，从罗马铁器帝国开始，直到 20 世纪变成了这只可怕的野兽;但它还不止于此。

最后这只野兽在哪里呢？它还在工作。 **启示录 17 和 18 章**，约翰说，像一个不忠的妓女的母亲……其他人被她不忠的成功所打动，并试图模仿他们的母亲——不是新娘，而是一个妓女……坐在政府的马鞍上，骑着它追求世界统治!

[1] 吞吃嚼碎，所剩下的用脚践踏。/它所能做的就是破坏和毁灭，包括神的子民，直到今天，因为它试图消灭神的子民!

但以理说...

[2] 这兽/第四只 与前三兽大不相同。/这第 4 只野兽……这届政府变得疯狂得可怕……与前 3 只不一样;

and it had ten horns / 10 power centers trying to keep all in delicate balance, including: all information, all entertainment... all commerce and trade... all monetary markets... and of course, all the people, too.

In an earlier dream Daniel chapter 2... he saw 10 toes. So these 10 horns seem to be the earlier vision's 10 toes... keeping everything in balance. And in these few short verses, Daniel has fast-forwarded us to our time. He's told us about many years of world history.

And next, we come to a gap... in the prophetic vision... that continues now in our days...

8 I considered the horns / 10 power centers... we know horns are hard, pointed, outgrowths from the head; and horns denote power,

and, behold / Daniel says, pay attention, there came up among them another little horn / most likely associating with 10 heads of state in the last days... among them an 11th rogue horn of power... grabbed Daniel's attention.

And, in this phrase we find some heavenly humor about this powerful leader. Now, he won't be mayor of Vesta or Amboy Minnesota; he won't be the head of state from Tristan de Cunha, Tuvalu or Vanuatu.

Although he got Daniel's attention... from heaven's perspective he is called: little, this word means.... insignificant; puny like a gnat or a mosquito; but from the world's perspective... where size seems to matter, they probably think they are looking at a great global marvel.

there came up... a little horn, before whom / in the presence of this scoundrel... this 11th little horn,

头有十角 / 十个权力中心试图保持平衡, 包括: 所有的信息, 所有的娱乐, 所有的商业和贸易, 所有的货币市场, 当然, 还有所有的人。

在之前的一个梦里, 但以理第二章, 他看见了 10 个脚趾。所以这 10 个角似乎是早期视觉的 10 个脚趾...保持一切平衡。在这几句简短的诗句中, 但以理把我们带到了我们的时代。他给我们讲了很多年的世界历史。

接下来, 我们来到了一个缺口...在预言的异象中...在我们现在的日子里...

8 我正观看这些角 / 10 个权力中心...我们知道角是硬的, 尖的, 从头上长出来的;角表示力量,

见其中又长起一个 **小角** / 很可能在过去的几天里与 10 位国家元首有联系, 其中第 11 位的权力之角引起了但以理的注意。

而且, 在这句话中, 我们发现了一些关于这位强大领袖的天堂般的幽默。现在, 他将不会成为维斯塔或明尼苏达州安博伊的市长;他不会成为特里斯坦·德库尼亚、图瓦卢或瓦努阿图的国家元首。

虽然他引起了但以理的注意, 但从 **天堂的角度** 来看, 他被叫做: **little**, 这个词的意思是...无关紧要的;像小昆虫或蚊子一样弱小的;但从世界的角度来看, 规模似乎很重要, 他们可能认为自己看到的是一个世界奇迹。

先前的角中有三角在这角前/在这恶棍面前...这第 11 个小角



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there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots / and is this like Egypt's ruler... and Libya's ruler... and another ruler... for example, being up-rooted and replaced?

and, behold / grab your mind and pay attention,

in this horn / this 11th horn **were eyes like the eyes of man,**

and a mouth speaking great things / **rab-rab**; very great things, boastful things. This puny 11th horn uses his loudmouth... his oratory talent... his speaking ability... he makes good speeches.

Daniel said, he's different from all the others before him; so maybe, one of many differences will be he is really not a military guy. Perhaps, he's an excellent campaigner! And with his rab-rab speeches -- and his acting ability too, this pretender razzle-dazzles people far and wide. He even had Daniel's attention. He is the substitute-deliverer; the anti-christ.

And having learned this, Daniel now discovers the meaning of this chapter: **Enter ETERNITY**: Almighty God takes His front row seat: and His Messiah King is on the way! And heaven and earth shout Hallelujah!

⁹ I beheld, till the thrones of judgment were set in place,

and the Ancient of days... took His seat,

whose garment was white as snow,

and the hair of His head like pure wool: / God Almighty, is the reason for this chapter... because whatever Daniel saw was very troubling; yet, God our Father in heaven is a loving Father... who cares for His children... who always speaks: grace and peace. God is not the author of fear -- never has been; never will be!

连根被它拔出来。 / 这是不是像埃及的统治者...利比亚的统治者...和另一个统治者...例如,被盘根拔起并被取代?

这角有眼,

像人的眼/ **rab-rab**;非常伟大的事情,非常自负的事情。这个弱小的 11 号角用他的大嘴巴……他的演讲天赋……他的演讲能力……他的演讲很好。

但以理说,他和在他以前的人都不一样;所以,也许,许多不同之处之一是,他真的不是军人。也许,他是一个优秀的竞选者!而他那刺耳的演讲——以及他的表演能力,让世界各地的人都为之倾倒。他甚至引起了但以理的注意。他是替补投手;反基督者的。

知道了这一点,但以理现在发现了这一章的意义:**进入永恒**:全能的神坐在他的前排:他的弥赛亚王正在路上!天堂和大地呼喊哈利路亚!

⁹ 我观看,见有宝座设立,

上头坐着亘古常在者。

他的衣服洁白如雪,

头发如纯净的羊毛。 / 这一章的原因是全能的神,因为但以理所看见的,使人非常不安;然而,我们在天上的父神是慈爱的父…他关心他的儿女…他总是说:恩典与平安。上帝不是恐惧的始作俑者——从来没有;永远不会!

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That is the work of the fool in eternity, the enemy of our souls. The Lord wants to assure His people at the end of the time of the Gentiles; He is still the Boss! He is still in charge!

His throne was like a fiery flame, and the wheels of the throne as burning fire / where the Ancient of days sits is powerful and consuming; we read about those wheels of the throne... all that activity, all that movement; read about it in Ezekiel chapter 1.

¹⁰ A fiery stream issued and came forth from before Him:

thousand thousands ministered to Him,

and ten thousand times ten thousand who stood before Him ministered to Him / millions and billions; untold numbers joyously ministered to the Ancient of days,

Daniel reminds us once again,

The Judge took His seat / the Ancient of days sat down,

and the Books of Ownership were opened.

¹¹ Then I beheld / Daniel paid attention,

because of the voice of the great words which that horn spoke / those **rab-rab**; very boastful words this puny horn, the Antichrist spoke; God heard some screechy noise disturbing the peace; this 4th govt gone wild... hard as iron, smashing and destroying until the whole world was broken, in league with this puny horn, probably using this little horn's resources... stole from its tax-payers.

even till the beast was slain and its body destroyed, and given to the burning flame / God heard that screechy noise and put a complete end to it;

那是愚人在永恒中的工作，他们是我们灵魂的敌人。主希望在外邦人时代的末期让他的子民确信他还是老大!他还在掌权!

宝座乃火焰，其轮乃烈火。/ 上古之人所坐之处，势大毁灭。我们读到宝座的轮子，所有的活动，所有的运动;阅读以西结书第一章。

¹⁰ 从他面前有火，像河发出。

事奉他的有千千，

在他面前侍立的有万万。/ 数以千万上亿;无数的人在古时快乐地侍奉上帝，

但以理再次提醒我们，

他坐着要行审判/ 亘古常在的人坐下

案卷都展开了。

¹¹ 那时我观看/ 但以理注意，

见那兽因小角说夸大话的/ 这些 **rab-rab**; 这弱小的号角非常自吹自擂，敌基督说了; 上帝听到一些刺耳的噪音扰乱了平静; 第四届政府疯狂了... 硬如铁，粉碎和破坏，直到整个世界被摧毁，与这个小角联盟，可能使用这个小角从纳税人那里偷来的资源...

声音被杀，身体损坏，扔在火中焚烧。/ 上帝听到了那刺耳的声音，就把它完全消灭了;

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but He refuses to give gory details to satisfy our perverse curiosity.

We read all God wants us to know... about this 4th beast He slew in **Revelation 19**.

12 As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time / Daniel learns more about old Babylon - **Iraq**, old Medo-Persia – **Iran**, and old Greece;

Daniel tells us the Lord God raised up these nations to work His purposes... and though their ability to dominate on the world stage, in particular over Jerusalem... would be taken from them, yet they would exist; which is what happened. We see them tired, but still in the news today.

Daniel says, and I bet he wrote excitedly...

13 I saw in the night visions, and, behold / Daniel says, pay attention,

one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought Him near before Him / the heavenly host joyously presented this Son of man to the Ancient of days; their conquering Messiah-King... to the Ancient of days; to our great God of creation. It makes you want to shout: **Hallelujah!** Doesn't it?

14 And there was given Him / this Son of man; the Messiah of God, **dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve Him: His dominion -- an everlasting dominion, will not pass away, His kingdom will not be destroyed. Hallelujah!**

但他拒绝提供血淋淋的细节来满足我们反常的好奇心。

我们读了神要我们知道的一切，关于**启示录 19**中他杀死的**第 4 只**野兽。

12 其余的兽，权柄都被夺去，生命却仍存留，直到所定的时候和日期。 / 但以理更多地了解了古巴比伦-**伊拉克**、古波斯-**伊朗**和古希腊；

但以理告诉我们，主神抬举这些民族，使他们遵行他的旨意……虽然他们在世界舞台上，尤其是在耶路撒冷的统治能力……将被剥夺，但他们依然存在;这就是所发生的。我们看到他们很累，但仍然在今天的新闻中。

但以理说，我打赌他写得很兴奋…

13 我在夜间的异象中观看/但以理说，请注意

见有一位像人子的，驾着天云而来，被领到亘古常在者面前，/主欢欢喜喜地把人子献给亘古之人。他们征服弥赛亚的国王…直到远古;献给我们伟大的创造之神。你想大喊:**哈利路亚!**不是吗?

14 得了权柄，荣耀，国度，使各方，各国，各族的人都事奉他/人子阿，上帝的弥赛亚。他的权柄是永远的，**不能**废去。他的国必**不**败坏。**哈利路亚!**