

WORLD HISTORY IN ADVANCE

A 2500-Year Old Prophecy Reveals The Sweep of History To Our Day

DANIEL CHAPTER 2 CONTAINS one of the most fascinating, informative and faith building of all Bible prophecies. The amazing dream given to King Nebuchadnezzar and interpreted by Daniel reveals a sweeping timeline that extends over a period of 2500 years, reaching right down to our very day and beyond. This is the “mother of all eschatological prophecies.” Military leaders like Napoleon and Hitler knew this prophecy and tried to thwart it, only to discover that what God says will be, will be, because He alone knows and can reveal history in advance.

Amos 3:7—Surely the Lord GOD does nothing, unless He reveals His secret to His servants the prophets.

Five Main Reasons Why God Gives Prophecy

No. 1—To set the God of the Bible apart as the only true God

Isaiah 46:9-10—⁹ Remember the former things of old, for I *am* God, and *there is* no other; I *am* God, and *there is* none like Me, ¹⁰ declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times *things* that are not *yet* done, saying, “My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure.”

No. 2—To accurately foretell the future and thus create faith in the Bible

John 14:29—Now I have told you before it comes, that when it does come to pass, you may believe.

No. 3—To Show His servants what to expect in the future

Revelation 1:1—The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants—things which must shortly take place.

No. 4—To point people to Christ as the only Savior

2 Peter 1:19, ESV—We have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts.

No. 5—To effect conversion/change in the hearts of the hearers/readers

Daniel 4:37— Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, all of whose works *are* truth, and His ways justice. And those who walk in pride He is able to put down.

Only God can reveal the _____ with perfect _____.

NOTE: Daniel and Nebuchadnezzar lived around 600 year before Christ, about 2500 years ago. Neb was the king of Babylon. Daniel was a captive slave in Babylon, taken to Babylon as a teenage boy.

NOTE: Of the alleged 946 predictions attributed to Nostradamus, only about 70 are considered to have had some kind of fulfillment. That works out to less than a 7-percent success rate. And yet people are wowed by his prophecies. HE was far less than a prophet. He can't even be considered a good guesser. By contrast, Bible prophecy does not have a good even high percentage of accuracy. Rather it is 100% accurate. What it says, absolutely comes to pass.

The Metal Man Reveals A Timeline

Daniel 2:28, 29—There is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, and He has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what will be in the latter days... He who reveals secrets has made known to you what will be.

Daniel 2:31-35—³¹ You, O king, were watching; and behold, a great image! This great image, whose splendor *was* excellent, stood before you; and its form *was* awesome. ³² This image's head *was* of fine gold, its chest and arms of silver, its belly and thighs of bronze, ³³ its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay. ³⁴ You watched while a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces. ³⁵ Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed together, and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; the wind carried them away so that no trace of them was found. And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.

Head of Gold= _____ -----605-539 BC

Arms and Chest of Silver= _____ -----539-331 BC

Belly and Thighs of Brass= _____ -----331-168 BC

Legs of Iron= _____ -----168 BC-476 AD

Feet of Iron and Clay= _____ -----476 AD-Present

The Divided Roman Empire

1. Alamanni — Germans
2. Brugundians — Swiss
3. Franks — French
4. Lombards — Italians
5. Saxons — English
6. Suevi — Portugese
7. Visigoths — Spanish
8. Heruli — Extinct
9. Ostrogoths — Extinct
10. Vandals — Extinct

Daniel 2:45— Inasmuch as you saw that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold—the great God has made known to the king what will come to pass after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure.”

Zechariah 3:9, NASB—“For behold, the stone that I have set before Joshua; on one stone are seven eyes Behold, I will engrave an inscription on it,” declares the LORD of hosts, “and I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.”

NOTE: “Upon that one stone are seven eyes or facets”(AB). The idea here may be that the stone had seven facets or sides, a heptagon hewn stone, and the words engraved on each of the seven sides were the same: “I will remove the iniquity of that land in one day.” The removal of the world’s sin “in one day” here foretold was accomplished in Christ. See Hebrews 1:3; 10:12.

“Behold Your God”—Isaiah 40:9

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