

How Will it All End? Daniel 7:15-28

i. God will Triumph over Evil

Read Psalm 2

II. God Will Allow Evil to Grow

1. Love for God must be given
It cannot be forced – It must be from the heart
This means there must be an alternative
2. That alternative is sin – Rom. 3:23
Rebellion against God and His will
3. Before judgement rebellion will grow
God will allow it to come to fullness
4. This is the message of the Bible
Matthew 13:36-43; 2 Timothy 3:1-5, 13
5. This is the message of Daniel 7

III. Dream Interpreted - 7:15-18

1. Dream distressed Daniel greatly – 15-16
He asked for help to understand this dream
2. Angel interprets for Daniel – 16-18
Four beasts are four kings or kingdoms
Babylon (winged-lion) – Dan. 7:4
Devoured other nations
Destroyed Jerusalem & the Temple
Blasphemed God (Belshazzar)
Medo-Persia (lop-sided bear) - 7:5
Devoured other kingdoms
Tried to annihilate God's people
As found in the Book of Esther
Greece (4-headed leopard) – 7:6
Devoured other empires & nations
Oppressed God's people
Example – Antiochus Epiphanes
Rome (non-descript beast) – 7:7
Cruelly stamped out other nations
Herod tried to kill Jesus as a baby
Crucified the Son of God
Persecuted the Church
God will prevail for His people – 18
Saints of the Most High will take the Kingdom
They will possess the Kingdom forever

IV. The Final Kingdom of Man – 19-28

1. Focus on 4th beast & 10 horns - 19-22
Daniel asks for more information on this
4th beast is worse than the others in cruelty
10 horns & little horn trouble Daniel
Little horn overcomes 3 of the 10
He appears to have supernatural abilities
He speaks great or blasphemous things
He continues until the Lord intervenes

- Lord comes in triumph to rescue His people
2. The angel explains it to Daniel – 23-27
4th beast is 4th kingdom – 23
It will be different than the other 3
It will devour the whole earth
It will produce man's final kingdom
10 horns are 10 kings that will arise – 24
Note Revelation 17:12-14
A little horn will come at end time – 24-25
He will subdue 3 of the 10 kings – 24
He will blaspheme God – 25 (Rev. 13:5-6)
Note also 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4
He will persecute saints 3 1/2 yrs. – 25
He will change times and laws – 25
His word will become law – Rev. 13:15-17
God will prevail over the horn - 26-28
Horn will be judged & beasts destroyed
God's kingdom will be established - 27
His saints will reign forever
Daniel thought on all this – 28
Even though he did not fully understand it
Note Daniel 12:8-9