

Mini Series: Daniel's Visions
"The Four Beasts"
Part 3: The Leopard King



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Daniel Mini Series



- ✓ The Great Statue (Dan 2)
- ✓ Four Beasts (Dan 7)
 - ✓ Lion (King #1)
 - ✓ Bear (King #2)
 - ✧ Leopard (King #3) [covering today]
 - ✧ Iron Teeth
- ✧ Ram and Goat (Dan 8)
 - ✧ Little Horn (Dan 7-8)
- ✧ Seventy Weeks (Dan 9)

The first 2 of 4 kings in Daniels' vision rose from Ancient Babylon/Ancient Assyria and where David was born (Bethlehem, the City of David):



Daniel 7



Daniel 7:1-8 (NASB) – Daniel’s Vision of Four Beasts

1 In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel saw a dream and visions in his mind as he lay on his bed; then he wrote the dream down and related the following summary of it. 2 Daniel said, “I was looking in my vision by night, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the great sea. 3 And four great beasts were coming up from the sea, different from one another. 4 The first was like a lion and had the wings of an eagle. I kept looking until its wings were plucked, and it was lifted up from the ground and made to stand on two feet like a man; a human mind also was given to it. 5 And behold, another beast, a second one, resembling a bear. And it was raised up on one side, and three ribs were in its mouth between its teeth; and thus they said to it, ‘Arise, devour much meat!’ 6 After this I kept looking, and behold, another one, like a leopard, which had on its back four wings of a bird; the beast also had four heads, and dominion was given to it. 7 After this I kept looking in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, dreadful and terrifying and extremely strong; and it had large iron teeth. It devoured and crushed and trampled down the remainder with its feet; and it was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns. 8 While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were pulled out by the roots before it; and behold, this horn possessed eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth uttering great boasts.

3rd Beast: like a Leopard



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First we'll look at common interpretations

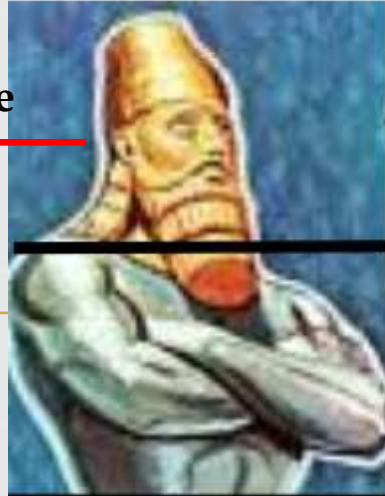
Then we'll look to Scripture



Chapter 2

Chapter 7

Babylonian Empire
(606BC-538BC)



Babylon



**Medo-
Persia**



Greece



Rome



But from Dan 7:2 these four beasts (beginning with the Lion) will arise (in the future) after the Babylon Empire; post 538BC



Identification of the Four Kingdoms of Daniel's visions

Daniel's Captivity Spanned 4 Kings: Babylon's Nebuchadnezzar to Belshazzar who lost his kingdom to the Medo-Persians. Then Darius the Mede took over (who threw Daniel into the lion's den) and finally, during King Cyrus the Persian's 3rd year reign, Daniel disappeared from written texts. Noted historian Josephus reported that Daniel lived until the time of Artaxerxes the Persian king, after repatriation back to Jerusalem which Cyrus allowed, as prophesied by the Jewish prophet Isaiah (Isa. 44:28; 45:1), some 150 years before Cyrus's time.



Chronology of Major Empires as described in the Book of Daniel

| NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S VISION | | DANIEL'S FIRST VISION | | DANIEL'S SECOND VISION | | IDENTIFICATION | HISTORICAL TIME LINE |
|--|--|---|---|--|--|---|----------------------|
| <p>HEAD of GOLD</p> <p>CHEST and ARMS of SILVER</p> <p>BELLY and THIGHS of BRONZE</p> <p>LEGS of IRON</p> <p>FEET of CLAY and IRON</p> | Vision in Daniel CH. 2 NEBUCHADNEZZAR King of Babylon | Vision in Daniel CH. 7 BELSHAZZAR's 1st year King of Babylon | Vision in Daniel CH. 8 BELSHAZZAR's 3rd year King of Babylon | BABYLON CH. 2:48 | RAM Persia - King Darius III | BABYLONIA 626 B.C. - 539 B.C. | |
| | LION Wings Like an Eagle | GOAT Alexander the Great smashes the Ram | MEDO-PERSIA CH. 8:20 | GREECE CH. 8:21 | 539 B.C. - 330 B.C. | | |
| | BEAR Holding Three Ribs in its Jaws | ROME Split into two regions, i.e. two legs. Western Rome of the Catholic church and the Eastern Byzantine Empire later overrun by the Ottoman Turks | 330 B.C. - 167 B.C. | ROME the Western Roman Empire ended in AD 476 but the Eastern half not until 1453. The Modern or New Roman Era is its continuation in Western Europe and now America | ROME 167 B.C. - 63 B.C. | | |
| | LEOPARD 4 Heads & 2 Sets of Wings | SMALL HORN - grows very large Replaces 3 members of a 10-member Group of Nations: The United Nations' Western Trilateral Commission? Antichrist has Muslim faith & is allied w/the Vatican's Pope: The False Prophet | 167 B.C. - 63 B.C. | MODERN AGE West's British Empire East's Ottoman Empire & finally Mystery Babylon appears in the Last Days | REVIVED ROMAN & BABYLONIAN EMPIRES Continues until the Lord's Return | | |
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THE MODERN AGE IS THE TIME OF MYSTERY BABYLON AND THE RISE OF ANTICHRIST. ANTICHRIST WILL CAUSE THE DESTRUCTION OF MYSTERY BABYLON

DANIEL'S LION, BEAR, & LEOPARD ARE MODERN-DAY COUNTRIES

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BY THOMAS TAYLOR

THE STORY OF GREAT BRITAIN, RUSSIA, AND GERMANY IN THE BIBLE

Tradition says the lion, bear, and leopard of Daniel 7 are Babylon, Media/Persia, and Greece. This is based on old theology and commentaries that tried to make sense of the world as they saw it then. But now we can see the modern-day world and what the prophecies say about it accurately because we are now *in* the end times. If it were true that Daniel 7 is ancient Babylon, ancient Media/Persia, and ancient Greece, then it is nothing more than a repeat of Daniel 2 – Nebuchadnezzar's dream of the great image. But this is not true. They are separate because Daniel 2 deals primarily with an image of ancient nations, but the symbolic animals of Daniel 7 are dealing with modern times, which I will prove in this article. Daniel 7 is something we need to understand for today because we are living in the days of the lion, bear, and leopard. We need to understand that the bear, Russia, is on the move!

THE LION AS GREAT BRITAIN

The first is the lion, which is Great Britain. The modern-day symbol of Great Britain is a lion. Great Britain came into being officially in 1707. Great Britain was once the major world power, having power over 1/5 of the world's population. At their height, they were the largest empire in the world and held power for over 100 years. They were known for having a superior navy. But then their zeal to conquer and colonize the world waned and they went from being a voracious lion to having the heart of a man, which is more sensible and restrained.

What other evidence is there? Consider that the lion has eagle's wings that were removed. What nation has an eagle as its symbol? The United States, of course. The United States separated from Great Britain about 250 years ago in 1776.

THE BEAR AS RUSSIA

The bear is the second beast which arises after the lion. A bear is a modern-day symbol of Russia. When the Berlin Wall came down, modern-day Russia was reborn in 1991. However, it is really a rebirth of the Russian Soviet Federative Socialist Republic originally birthed in the October Revolution of 1917. Russia is well known for its ability to devour much flesh as leaders like Lenin and Stalin killed several million people. The bear is raised up on one side with three ribs in its mouth. These three ribs may be the nations the final end-time Russia will conquer in an attempt to gain back former Soviet republics that it once held, such as Ukraine and two unknown others. So we can predict that Russia is on the move to take two more former Soviet republics which will cause a great deal of tension with the West. However, I believe that the West may put up little resistance once a catastrophe takes place like nuclear WWIII.

THE LEOPARD AS GERMANY

Germany's Leopard Tank

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The leopard is the next beast mentioned in Daniel 7. A leopard is not the official symbol of Germany. An eagle is the modern-day symbol of Germany. However, the eagle symbol in these prophetic passages has already been used almost certainly to describe the United States. So how can one learn who the leopard is? We have to look more closely at the passage. It says this leopard has four heads. So there must be four distinct kingdoms within this one kingdom. It also says it has the wings of a fowl. Therefore, another kingdom is associated with it.

Germany seems to fit best as being the leopard because of their ferociousness at war like a leopard on the hunt. Interestingly, Germany has a modern tank is called the Leopard. The four heads are the four reichs (German for “empires”) of Germany. The First Reich was the Holy Roman Empire first ruled by a Frankish king Charlemagne (800 – 1806). The Second Reich was the German Empire under Otto Van Bismark (1870 – 1919). The Third Reich was Adolf Hitler’s rule (1933 – 1945). The Fourth Reich seems to be the European Union (1958 – present), an entity almost entirely held up and controlled by Germany and France. The Germans have a strong alliance with the French as the key players of the European Union. France’s national symbol is a rooster, hence the wings of the fowl prophecy is fulfilled when these two nations come together.

All of the reichs were/are attempting to unite Europe under one government and religion. They are attempting to recreate the original Holy Roman Empire which held so much power for over 1,000 years. The fall of the Berlin wall united East and West Germany into one nation again (and incidentally created modern-day Russia). This resurrection of Germany was prophesied in Revelation as the head that had the mortal wound but lived. *Rev 13:3 KJV And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed; and all the world wondered after the beast.* Germany was mortally wounded as a nation and was thought to never recover after WWII, uniting East and West Germany. But we know that it did happen which created the New World Order.





**4-headed
Leopard**
FOUR
REICHS (EMPIRES)
OF EUROPE

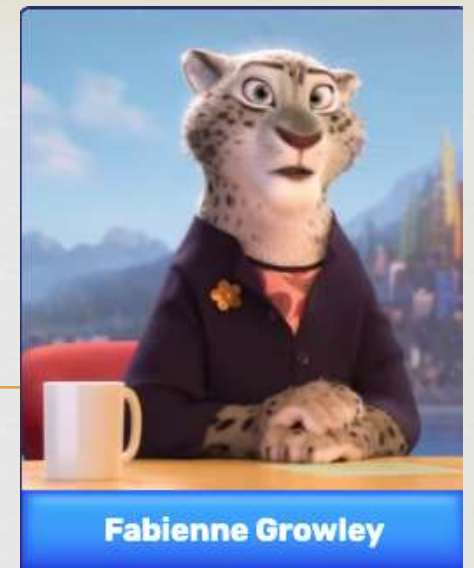


3rd Beast: like a Leopard



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Fabienne Growley



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4-headed Leopard
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The Economist

France faces the future

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Jeremiah gives us our 1st clue:

Jeremiah 5:6

6 Therefore a lion from the forest will slay them (Judah),

A wolf of the deserts will destroy them,

A leopard is watching their (Judah's) cities.

Everyone who goes out of them will be torn in pieces,

Because their transgressions are many,

Their apostasies are numerous.

❧ The lion as we established is Ancient Assyria/ Assyria Babylon

❧ The lion is NOT the leopard

❧ So who is Jeremiah alluding to as this leopard?

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As progressive revelation unfolds, we get our 2nd clue:

Jeremiah 13:23

23 “Can the **Ethiopian** change his skin

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Then you also can do good

Who are accustomed to doing evil.

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❧ Answer: Cush and Nimrod

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Genesis 10:6-8 (Descendants of Noah)

6 The sons of Ham were Cush and Mizraim and Put and Canaan. 7 The sons of Cush were Seba and Havilah and Sabtah and Raamah and Sabteca; and the sons of Raamah were Sheba and Dedan. 8 Now Cush became the father of Nimrod; he became a mighty one on the earth.

❧ Cush was a son of Ham

❧ Cush had a son Nimrod

❧ The Bible calls Nimrod 'a mighty one on the earth'

❧ Nimrod is the first world superpower mentioned in OT

❧ Post-Flood

3rd Beast: like a Leopard



Furthermore, Nimrod started many kingdoms, including Babel:

Genesis 10:10-12

10 The beginning of his [Nimrod's] kingdom was **Babel** and Erech and Accad and Calneh, **in the land of Shinar**. 11 From that land [Shinar] he went forth into Assyria, and built Nineveh and Rehoboth-Ir and Calah, 12 and Resen between Nineveh and Calah; that is the great city.

- ❧ Nimrod is the first world power in the OT
- ❧ Nimrod's kingdom and goal was to make a great name for himself
 - ❧ Thus, God confused their language in the Tower of Babel
 - ❧ Observation: Mystery Babylon in Revelation started with ancient Babel!
- ❧ Note: "the great city" is also mentioned in Revelation
 - ❧ We'll see what city that is when we get there

3rd Beast: like a Leopard



☞ So to determine the geography (nations implicated) in Daniel's four beast vision of a Leopard, we need to determine ancient Nimrod's rule which according to Gen 10 spans from ancient Shinar (Ham) to Assyria

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(Cush)

- ARVADITES
- ZEMARITES
- ARKITES
- SINITES
- SIDONIANS
- AMORITES
- PERIZZITES
- HITTITES
- HUVITES
- JEBUSITES
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ROE: Must use Scripture w/Scripture

What does 'four wings of a bird' mean?

What does 'four heads' mean?



“four wings of a bird”



❧ This is not to be confused with “wings of an eagle”

❧ Like the 1st beast (the Lion with eagle wings)

❧ This leopard has 4 “wings of a bird” (not an eagle)

❧ In Scripture, birds are often associated with

❧ Being in the sky or up (“birds in the sky”)

❧ Feasting on dead carcasses

❧ Full of deceit

Jer 5:27 ‘Like a cage full of birds,

So their (Judah’s) houses are full of deceit;

“four wings of a bird”



❧ Birds are also associated with doom and destruction

Jeremiah 15:3 I will appoint over them (Judah) four kinds of doom,” declares the LORD: “the sword to slay, the dogs to drag off, and the birds of the sky and the beasts of the earth to devour and destroy.

❧ Ok so what about the number four?

❧ Well this leopard has four wings and four heads

❧ So four wings corresponds with four heads

❧ Let's now look at "four heads" ...

“four heads”



Back to Dan 7:6:

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☞ To know what “heads” means in a prophetic vision, we’ll go to Revelation for this one:

Revelation 12:3-4 (John’s vision of a great red dragon)

3 Then another sign appeared in heaven: and behold, a great red dragon having **seven heads** and ten horns, and on his heads were seven diadems. 4 And his tail swept away a third of the stars of heaven and threw them to the earth. And the dragon stood before the woman who was about to give birth, so that when she gave birth he might devour her child.

“four heads”



☞ A few chapters later, an angel gave John the interpretation:

Revelation 17:9-13

9 Here is the mind which has wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains on which the woman sits, 10 and they are seven kings; five have fallen, one is, the other has not yet come; and when he comes, he must remain a little while. 11 The beast which was and is not, is himself also an eighth and is one of the seven, and he goes to destruction. 12 The ten horns which you saw are ten kings who have not yet received a kingdom, but they receive authority as kings with the beast for one hour. 13 These have one purpose, and they give their power and authority to the beast.

☞ In prophetic vision:

☞ “heads” = mountains (kingdoms) = kings (of that kingdom)

☞ Thus in John’s vision he saw:

☞ 7 kings of 7 kingdoms (5 in the past; 1 in the present; 1 in the future)

☞ 10 kings who have not yet received a kingdom (but will receive authority as kings for 1 hour)

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☞ So let's relook at verse 6 with what we uncoded using Scripture:

Catarroja Translation:

☞ Daniel 7:6 After this I kept looking, and behold, another one, like a leopard [from Ancient Ethiopia, Assyria], which had on its back **four wings of a bird [which describes feasting on dead carcasses through deceit, doom and destruction]**; the beast also had **four heads [4 kings]**, and dominion was given to it.

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Thus, we deduced that the 'Leopard' in Daniel's vision is a wicked kingdom comprised of 4 kings from Ancient Nimrod (ancient Ethiopia, Assyria) which is comprised of these modern day countries:

- ✧ Egypt
- ✧ Libya
- ✧ Ethiopia
- ✧ Sudan
- ✧ Saudi Arabia
- ✧ Yemen



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