UNVEILED!

Part 1

The Ancient Secrets of Daniel

But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, *even* to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased. (Dan. 12:4)

Revelation 17 introduces Daniel 7 to affirm its place in time. Put on your thinking cap; it's a jigsaw puzzle. Here's the picture: Seven supernatural kings ruled seven empires; ostensibly, each had one king, but the scarlet beast was the most cunning of all.

Young's Literal Translation is underscored on critical points:

⁸ 'The beast that thou didst see: it was, and is not; and it <u>is about to come up out of the abyss</u>, and to go to away to destruction, and wonder shall those dwelling upon the earth, whose names have not been written upon the scroll of the life from the foundation of the world, beholding the beast that was, and is not, although it is.

⁹ [']Here is the mind that is having wisdom; the seven heads are seven mountains, upon which the woman doth sit, ¹⁰ and there are seven kings, the five did fall, and the one is, the other did not yet come, and when he may come, it behoveth him to remain a little time; ¹¹ and the beast that was, and is not, he also is eighth, and out of the seven he is, and to destruction he doth go away.

¹² `And the ten horns that thou sawest, are ten kings, who a kingdom did not yet receive, but authority as kings the same hour do receive with the beast,¹³ these have one mind, and their own power and authority to the beast they shall give over; (Rev. 17:8-13 YLT)

Imagine living with John in the days of Rome to see his vision as he did: the scarlet beast was once here on earth, and now it's not, but it still exists. (cf. 17:8) After Jesus ascended to the Father, the *fiery red dragon* was not here, but was losing a war in heaven. (12:9) Cast from heaven down to earth, the *scarlet beast* ... was *about to come up out of the abyss (in 17:8 YLT)*.

Five [kings] are fallen <u>and one is</u>. (17:10) John is on Patmos under Roman rule in 95 AD; the sixth king rules Rome. But the scarlet beast was absent and was not king of Rome; however, the Huns were <u>about to come up</u> with the dragon to force the fall of Rome. Soon the dragon deceived the church, using a Roman emperor to shelter and comfort her; now she depended on Rome for security till 476 when the empire fell to savages.

In 752 invading jihadists terrified the church, but her pope used the "Donation of Constantine," which fraudulently offered the power of an empire to the church.^f Her illegitimate king, the dragon, snatched the sixth capital, Rome but as another empire.^g In 800 the pope crowned the king of France Charlemagne as the first "Holy" Roman Emperor.^h In 962 the pope called for the German king Otto I to co-rule hundreds of fiefs and duchies by the Roman Empire of the German Nation, a title since forgotten.ⁱ

The apostasy began when a deceived, fearful church turned from the Bible. Artfully gaining a Roman empire by exploiting the church as a cover, the dragon kept it for one thousand and six years. His illegitimate empire fell to the newly crowned French consul, and Rome was conquered by the last of seven kings.

And the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue <u>a short space</u>. (17:10b) Through Napoleon Bonaparte, the seventh king vanquished Rome in 1806. In 1814 and 1816, a coalition of kings twice defeated and exiled Napoleon whose reign lasted only eight years.^j By then he had merged the fiefdoms from a few hundred to one hundred; after his defeat, the Treaty of Vienna consolidated them into thirty-nine states.

Seventy years later, the Prussian chancellor Bismarck set out to conquer those states for the kaiser. He established Berlin as a capital city and formed the German Federation of Prussia, aka the Second German Reich.

Five preconditions describe the scarlet beast John sees: 1.) He's the *eighth of the seven [kings]*. 2.) He rises after ten kings receive authority over kingdoms. 3.) In a short time, the scarlet beast receives authority too. 4.) *These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength to the beast*. And 5.) he *goes into perdition (in 17:11-13)*. When the time is ripe, the dragon returns as the *eighth king of the seven*, ruling from Berlin.

When Prussia's kaiser lost WW1,^k its Treaty of Versailles (1920) formed twelve new nations out of the rival empires; two were politically neutral.¹ The ten remaining kings *received their power* by a treaty, not by force. (17:12) Since seven kings had all fallen, after ten kings received their kingdoms, an eighth king, the dragon, returned to rule as king of the Third German Reich.^m

In 1932 Adolf Hitler was rising when the dragon, the eighth king, had *eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth speaking great things (in Dan. 7:8).*^{*n*} Out of the lands of the Roman Empire of the German Nation, ten kings gave their authority to the führer who left the two mountainous neutral lands undisturbed. (17:13) The trail of evidence from Revelation 17 leads to Daniel 7 where the terrible beast lost the greatest war yet.

The Ancient Secrets

CHAPTER 1 • Wild Beasts!

7 In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel saw a dream and visions of his head as he lav in his bed. Then he wrote down the dream and told the sum of the matter. ² Daniel declared, "I saw in my vision by night, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the great sea. ³ And four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. ⁴ The first was like a lion and had eagles' wings. Then as I looked its wings were plucked off, and it was lifted up from the ground and made to stand on two feet like a man, and the mind of a man was given to it. ⁵ And behold, another beast, a second one, like a bear. It was raised up on one side. It had three ribs in its mouth between its teeth; and it was told, 'Arise, devour much flesh.' ⁶ After this I looked, and behold, another, like a leopard, with four wings of a bird on its back. And the beast had four heads, and dominion was given to it. ⁷ After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, terrifying and dreadful and exceedingly strong. It had great iron teeth; it devoured and broke in pieces and stamped what was left with its feet. It was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns. 8I considered the horns, and behold, there came up among them another horn, a little one, before which three of the first horns were plucked up by the roots. And behold, in this horn were eves like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking great things.

⁹ "As I looked,

thrones were placed, and the Ancient of Days took his seat;
his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames;
its wheels were burning fire.
¹⁰ A stream of fire issued and came out from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the court sat in judgment,

and the books were opened.

¹¹ "I looked then because of the sound of the great words that the horn was speaking. And as I looked, the beast was killed, and its body destroyed and given over to be burned with fire. ¹² As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.

¹³ "I saw in the night visions,

and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him.
¹⁴ And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

¹⁵ "As for me, Daniel, my spirit within me was anxious, and the visions of my head alarmed me. ¹⁶ I approached one of those who stood there and asked him the truth concerning all this. So he told me and made known to me the interpretation of the things. ¹⁷ 'These four great beasts are four kings who shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸ But the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever, forever and ever.'

¹⁹ "Then I desired to know the truth about the fourth beast, which was different from all the rest, exceedingly terrifying, with its teeth of iron and claws of bronze, and which devoured and broke in pieces and stamped what was left with its feet, ²⁰ and about the ten horns that were on its head, and the other horn that came up and before which three of them fell, the horn that had eyes and a mouth that spoke great things, and that seemed greater than its companions. ²¹ As I looked, this horn made war with the saints and prevailed over them, ²² until the Ancient of Days came, and judgment was given for the saints of the Most High, and the time came when the saints possessed the kingdom. (Daniel 7:1-22 ESV) [v, 9: Aram.; $r^e m \hat{a}h$, set up/placed/set] (Continued)

²³ Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

²⁴ And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

²⁵ And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

²⁶ But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

²⁷ And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

²⁸ Hitherto is the end of the matter. As for me Daniel, my cogitations much troubled me, and my countenance changed in me: but I kept the matter in my heart.

(Daniel 7:23-28) [Beasts are invisible but lead great rulers.]

The Sea

The Great Sea appears fourteen times in the Word, clearly the waters of the Mediterranean, the western border of Israel.¹ A vision carries Daniel far from Babylon to the Mediterranean Sea, agitated by four winds. In perilous days four beasts rise, not just from *a sea* or *many waters*, but out of the Great Sea. The beasts are great kings with thrones who rise *out of the earth (in 7:17)*.

The Lion

⁴ The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings. I watched till <u>its wings were plucked off</u>; and it was lifted up from the earth and made to stand on two feet like a man, and a man's heart was given to it. (Dan. 7:4 NKJV)

The rampant lion upright on two feet stood for England since the 17th century. Other nations have had lions, but hers began on all fours when Richard the Lion Heart first adopted the lion on the Great Seal in the 12th century.² Later King James I set its lion up on two feet in 1603;³ then in 1611 he commissioned the first official translation of the Holy Bible into the English language. In the 18th century, her colonies in America were freed from their motherland just as the eagle's wings were plucked off the lion's back. The Revolutionary War was the price of freedom.

Sixty years later in 1837, Queen Victoria was on the throne. The Christian queen chose Benjamin Disraeli as prime minister. PM for two terms, he was the first Jew with an important role in the British government and the queen's closest confidante till her reclusion after her husband, Albert, died.⁴

When she gained international sovereignty in the Near East, Disraeli named her, "Empress of India."⁵ In 1900 her empire was the largest in history, with one-fourth the land mass on earth and one-fifth of its population.⁶ English became the world's second language, and the gospel circled the globe.

In a letter to Lord Rothschild in 1917, England's Secretary of State Balfour proposed British-ruled Palestine for the Jews. After WW1 on April 25, 1920, the "Balfour Declaration of Intent to Establish a Zionist State for the Jews"⁷ became international law by the "Palestine Mandate" at the San Remo Conference in Italy.⁸ Its borders were defined by the Allies until April 1921 when oil-rich Arabs pressed Great Britain for more land.⁹

Arabs allegedly populated 90% of all the land, so Churchill partitioned 77% as Trans-Jordan, east of the river. The League of Nations offered 23% of the original land grant for the Jews, but the league lacked the military power to enforce its decisions.

In 1938 Hitler invaded German-speaking European lands. In an effort to avoid conflict with the Nazis, Neville Chamberlain proposed annexing the land around Czechoslovakia and added its natural resources for Hitler in the infamous "Munich Pact."¹⁰ The dictator proved land for peace wasn't what he wanted after all. When he attacked Poland on September 1, 1939, Britain and France declared war—but too late.¹¹ If they'd foreseen what was coming, they would have challenged Germany at the start.

Out of Parliament, Winston Churchill who loved the Jews could only watch as Britain's "White Paper" suppressed Jewish immigration and limited their land holdings in what had become British Palestine.¹² He was incensed. Then in May 1940 politics changed; after appeasement failed, the prime minister resigned. The king chose Churchill to lead the empire for the remainder of the war; his passion for Israel helped guide the course of history when *a man's heart was given to it.¹³ (7:4) [Aram.: l*bab, heart]*

Churchill proved his gifts of oratory and diplomacy, winning Roosevelt's favor. When Germany bombed London, newsreels caught Winston walking her streets and lifting people from the rubble. Above the chaos his courage inspired the nation. He bolstered the Brits, and they were thrilled by the king's choice; however, after the war he lost reelection to a socialist with no sympathy for the Jews.

The Bear

Following the fall of the Russian Tsar Nicholas II, during the February 1917 Revolution, various parties vied for power.¹⁴ A provisional government stepped in.¹⁵ Soon the fallen bear rose up on one side when three fascist leaders incited a socialist revolution. The bear had taken them in. Their voices established the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in 1922.¹⁶

⁵ "And suddenly another beast, a second, like a bear. It was raised up <u>on one side</u>, and <u>had three ribs</u> in its mouth between its teeth. And they said thus to it: 'Arise, <u>devour much flesh</u>!' (Dan. 7:5 NKJV)

Karl Marx and Friedrich Engels were Germans who lived in England when they wrote and published "The Communist Manifesto" in 1848.¹⁷ After their deaths its theory grew popular. In twenty-five years Vladimir Lenin, Josef Stalin, and Leon Trotsky founded the USSR by its revolutionary ideas. Lenin spearheaded its Bolshevik October Revolution of 1917 and overthrew the provisional government, making the state its people's god.¹⁸ A bear *raised up on one side* was soon fascist, deceitful, and brutal.

After executing the tsar and his family, Lenin's leadership was undisputed. Trotsky led its Red Army.¹⁹ Stalin was general secretary of the Central Committee of the Communist Party until Lenin's death in 1924 when he replaced him. The new premier ordered the execution of the intelligentsia, killing or imprisoning millions of political enemies with Christians and Jews. Trotsky, a Jew himself, absconded to Mexico where his comrade ordered his assassination in 1940.²⁰

The Terrible Beast

Pillaged by the Visigoths in 410, Rome fell to the Vandals in 476. The city paid the Huns, the fiercest tribe of all, to stay out, but Huns drove the other tribes in. After Attila's death in 453,

most of the tribes disbanded throughout Europa, but the Huns migrated to Austria and Germania where they raised families.²¹

In about 752, her pope Stephen II (III) took the papal states, using a forged donation of the Roman Empire from Constantine and hiring Pippin the Short of France to conquer the Lombards and win Italia's central cities for the church of Rome.²²

In 800 Leo III crowned Charlemagne, Pippin's first son. The first allegedly "holy" emperor was king of France and of the Lombards.²³ Lords of fiefs and kinglets were called "holy" as Rome's emperors, at times with kingless years between them.²⁴

In 962 John XII was a pope who sought protection from the jihadists, looking to the more brutal king of Germania Otto the Great to shield the church.²⁵ Otto had no formal government or capital, often true of her emperors. German kings warred on behalf of the "Holy Roman Empire of the German Nation," the (H)REGN, periodically, for eight hundred forty-four years.

⁷ After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, a fourth beast, terrifying and dreadful and exceedingly strong. It had great iron teeth; it devoured and broke in pieces and stamped what was left with its feet. It was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns. (Dan. 7:7 ESV)

The main city of the empire was Rome, a façade of a capital, whose government was virtually unformed. Her amalgamation of hundreds of private lands—fiefs, territories, hamlets, duchies—people without nations, was a church empire whose citizens were unable to defend themselves.²⁶ She hired mercenaries to enforce her dogma, indoctrinating and oppressing millions.

Prior to 1059 emperors chose or deposed popes by disputes, power grabs, corruption, and scandals. For hundreds of years, the popes controlled kings, threatening them with excommunication, which they feared would send them to hell. Meanwhile believers in Jesus Christ were imprisoned, tortured, and burned at the stake for having a Bible, preaching the gospel, praying in their native tongue, or objecting to the church *orthodoxy*, its "right opinion"; others were killed simply for being born Jewish or Muslim.²⁷

Napoleon's victory of 1806 ended the era of the imperialist church. His French Confederation, a watershed in history, was independent of the Vatican. He revolutionized education, revived the arts, and reformed the government, quickly consolidating its 26

lands, reducing hundreds to one hundred. The dissolution of the REGN was his greatest contribution to history.²⁸ After his loss at Waterloo, defeated by England, Holland, and Prussia, the Congress of Vienna further merged its states to thirty-nine by 1816.²⁹

In 1871 following the Franco-Prussian War, Berlin became a capital city for the German Federation by its founder, Otto von Bismarck. The "Iron Chancellor" subjected its states to Prussian authority in an effort to regain the REGN.³⁰

The Little Dictator

As he lay in bed dreaming, Daniel envisioned the tumultuous waves of the Mediterranean, *and four great beasts came up from the sea, <u>diverse one from another</u>—supernatural kings at work by men. The most formidable beast had ten horns on its head, the same ten horns John would see over six centuries later, but here, look—(in 7:8) a little horn rose up after them!*

Exactly five years after a political assassination incited the First World War, on June 28, 1919, the Treaty of Versailles was signed to go into effect in January 1920. It split the empires into twelve nations; two were politically neutral. Ten kings <u>received</u> their crowns (in Rev. 17:12), not by war, but by its peace treaty.³¹ On cue in twelve years, a corporal was rising in Germany.

Gabriel foretold these events centuries ago. The kingdom the angel described to Daniel would be Roman, out of which the ten horns rose in central Europe about a century after her church empire fell. The little horn rose after them, a corporal became a chancellor! How could a little horn be greater than the others?

The little horn gave his heart to the terrible scarlet beast from a hundred thirty years before him. (7:7-8) ... *in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.* (*Dan.* 7:8c) After the seventh, ten kings rose; after them, the dragon came up as a man in a little horn. (Dan. 7:8, p. 21)

They said the Great War would end all war, but hard times were in the air. For twelve years Germans lived in the ashes and memories of ruined hopes when the Great Depression overcame them. Having lost their sons in the war, poverty deepened their despair. Disheartened they cried out for hope and a future.

Convicted of treason as a political seditionist, Adolf Hitler was released from prison, serving just eight months of an already lenient five-year sentence.³² He applied for citizenship and then

membership in the National Socialist German Worker's Party, or Nazis. Thirty years after Bismarck, he mesmerized the Germans, captivating their population with his passionate speeches, full of promises, flatteries, and convictions.

In 1930 construction was finished, and Berlin's Pergamos Museum housed the Altar of Zeus, aka "the Altar of Satan."³³ In 1932 Hitler ran for president. With only one-third the vote, he lost; but Hindenburg, the incumbent, returned to office in failing health and chose the former corporal as his chancellor, leading the armed forces, the second highest office in the land.

Hitler supervised the nation's emergency powers and used them to subvert his competitors. When the Parliament building burst into flames, it provided the crisis by which he quickly put its laws, civil rights, education, and culture under Nazi control.³⁴

It didn't take long, near the time of Hindenburg's last breath in August 1934, Adolf Hitler merged the roles of president and chancellor and created a new government.³⁵ He put his actions to the vote and won by an overwhelming margin as *der führer*, the leader. After pinning runaway inflation on the Jews, he vowed, "Change!" and seemed like a hero to them, commanding their confidence.³⁶ What was it about the man that gave him power and authority over millions who clung to his every word?

After crafting a pledge of personal allegiance, he ordered his army to honor its words as each soldier dedicated his life. The people followed suit en masse as he dismissed the constitutional republic to form a national socialist government.³⁷

Bismarck took lands the dragon had shattered to pieces by ten kings centuries before, but they were lost in WW1. The same ten received their crowns by a treaty in 1920 but gave them back to the beast; that's how he won his battles till he lost. (7:7-11)

Impassioned crowds idolized the man, hanging his picture on their walls. His minions were quick to silence his opponents, being fascists like their leader. After *three of the first horns were plucked up by the roots (in 7:8),* the ten kings empowered him for more (in Rev. 17:13). He uprooted them, like pulling up weeds, roots and all!³⁸ The following are the first three of the prophecy:

1.) **Germany**'s republic fell after President Hindenburg died. From corporal to chancellor to *führer*, Hitler put the issue to a vote. 95% of registered voters allegedly cast votes; 88% of the

plebiscite approved a dictatorship.³⁹ A soft coup gave a seditionist control over the former republic of Germany.

2.) **Austria**'s military conflicts and power transfers made her government weak and vulnerable. Her instability encouraged the malcontents to riot for their native son. Weighing his options, their king conceded without a shot as thousands went to the streets to welcome the dictator.⁴⁰ Her people complied with a lie.

3.) **Czechoslovakia** was a gift to Hitler from the Munich Pact, signed September 30, 1938, by Italy, Germany, France, and Britain. The agreement infamously gave the Sudetenland, i.e., the German-speaking areas around the nation, to Hitler as "land for peace." With rights to electrical power, coal, and steel, added to the nation's grief, he owned Czechoslovakia in a day.⁴¹

⁸ "I was considering the horns, and there was another horn, <u>a little one</u>, coming up among them, before whom <u>three of the first horns were plucked out by the roots</u>. And there, in this horn, *were* eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking pompous words. (Dan. 7:8 NKJV)

A little horn rose after the first ten; three of them were easily taken. The devil led Germany by the eyes and mouth of a man. The Rhineland loved him, but Belgium resisted. Once part of the Axis, Hungary declared war on him, but Hitler defeated her.⁴²

Three fell without a shot though all ten *on its head* agreed: *These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast. (Rev. 17:13)* Whoever tried to end it failed.

²⁰ and <u>the ten horns that were on its head</u>, and the other *horn* which came up, <u>before which three fell</u>, namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth which spoke pompous words, whose appearance *was* greater than his fellows. (Dan. 7:20 NKJV)

He easily plucked up Germany, Austria, and Czechoslovakia to take Poland, France, Luxembourg, Belgium, the Netherlands, Slovenia [Yugoslavia], and Hungary, marking the map for more.

The beast *prevailed over* the saints, but God gave them the Kingdom and sent him to perdition. (7:21-22; Rev. 17:8) Daniel's saints were Jews—set apart, sanctified, like the saints in 165 BC (in Dan. 8:24).

The Ancient Secrets

The Altar of Pergamos

In 1889 the Altar of Zeus went to Berlin from Pergamos. (Rev. 2:13) Two thousand years earlier, Romans had joined the Greeks in worship when Greeks offered human sacrifices on that altar.⁴³ Romans were visiting its site when killing Christians was a sport. In 1941 Nazis were murdering the Jews in Europe.

Neither the kaiser [caesar] of Prussia nor von Bismarck the chancellor was a little horn. The prophecy waited for the man to rise after the ten horns received their crowns. Soon thereafter, the terrible beast spoke by a corporal, boasting of a super race while targeting the Jews. A staunch Darwinist, the fascist touted ethnic cleansing as the blasphemous beast who'd taken him in.⁴⁴

On May 22, 1939, Mussolini and Hitler signed an agreement for international defense. The "Pact of Friendship and Alliance" was called the "Pact of Steel." ⁴⁵ On September 1, 1939, Nazis invaded Poland, violating the Munich Pact by the act of war.

Hirohito of Japan joined the "Friendship Alliance." ⁴⁶ It was allegedly formed to "... establish and maintain a new order of things calculated to promote the mutual prosperity and welfare of the peoples concerned. ... to extend cooperation to such nations in other spheres of the world as may be inclined to put forth endeavors along lines similar to their own, in order that their <u>ultimate aspirations for world peace</u> may be realized." ⁴⁷ Though multitudes believed them, they were all liars.

A truculent strategist groomed an army of terrorists, and the ten kings whose nations he'd gain agreed. "Change!" appealed to the masses, no matter what it meant. By his leadership, men committed unspeakable crimes against humanity while Catholic and Protestant clergy ignored the genocide. They overlooked the apostle's warning not to boast against the Jews. (Rom. 11:18) The Vatican agreed to it by "compromise and conciliation" (like the 4th century bishops); thus the dragon led a nation into the Jewish holocaust and another world war, hoping to conquer the world.⁴⁸

Germany was one of the largest nations in Europe, yet Hitler convinced its people to shed blood for more land as in the Far East Hirohito did the same. The founder of radical Islam also colluded with Hitler.⁴⁹ Mussolini and Hirohito added to the war dead—sixty million souls; one-tenth were Jews.

Martin Luther discovered the scripture for everlasting life by grace through faith and turned men's blindness into sight, but in later writings, he was blinded by his animus for the Jews. Yet they were blinded for the nations to be saved. He neglected the letter to the Romans, saying Jews will be grafted in again.⁵⁰ As unnatural branches, we can be cut off from their tree—unless we continue in His kindness. (Rom. 11:22) Generations of Protestants had read his scornful words that abetted their murders in WW2.

On November 9, 1938, *Kristallnacht*, the "Night of Broken Glass," authorized Germans to pillage Jewish shops, smash their windows, ruin merchandise, and vandalize their homes, making the Jews pay for damages. Nazis banned their religious meetings and burned synagogues and books, even Holy Bibles!⁵¹ Bigotry intensified from denigration to rock-throwing; from molestation to public murder.

In 1942 Hitler led his army against his allies in Leningrad, Moscow, and Stalingrad, killing perhaps a million Jews on the way.⁵² An icy Russian winter was more than the returning troops could endure; many froze to death in fields. God rules nature and kings, judging men whether at war or in peace. (Ecc. 3:8)

Quick like a Leopard!

President Woodrow Wilson made the former senator from New York Franklin D. Roosevelt his secretary of the navy from 1912–20. F.D.R. contracted infantile paralysis while visiting an orphanage in 1921. He was thirty-nine. Determined to persevere though polio had paralyzed half his body, he met the challenge to win the 1932 election.⁵³ Across the world, von Hindenburg chose Hitler as his chancellor, the role his hero Bismarck had enjoyed.

Eleven years after WW1, the sobering reality of the 1929 Stock Market Crash stifled the Roaring Twenties and yielded to the Great Depression.⁵⁴ The world's economies dried up before her Great Drought that lasted ten years.⁵⁵ By the grace of God, America became undefeatable, strengthened by His judgments.

She had known the grief of WW1, having lost her sons in its battles. In early 1941 Americans resisted the idea of engaging in another foreign war, but one hundred sixty-five years of distrust ended when Congress passed the Lend-Lease Act on March 11, 1941, lending destroyers to the British, Chinese, and Russian forces.⁵⁶ Thus the American government supported the British

Royal Navy, supplying ships in the Atlantic where the conflict was close to her home shores.

December 7, 1941, Japan attacked the U.S. naval base, Pearl Harbor, Hawaii, where most of her ships were anchored. Out of the blue, bombers demolished her fleet in the Pacific and forced the end of America's isolationism.⁵⁷ Two thousand four hundred and three died in the harbor attack.⁵⁸

The next day Roosevelt addressed both houses of Congress, delivering the "Declaration of Intent to Declare War" December 8th.⁵⁹ The Senate voted 82–0 and the House, 388–1.⁶⁰ December 11th: Hitler and Mussolini declared war on the U.S.⁶¹

After the catastrophes that preceded the Second World War, the president was able to see the way to victory over adversaries who might have otherwise consumed the world. His fortitude was required, and providentially, his attitude was contagious.

WW1 politics had weakened her armed forces. She'd begun rebuilding her air force, but America still needed trained troops, artillery, tanks, submarines, ships, machine guns, rifles, bombers, canons, and munitions, as well as uniforms, backpacks, canteens, and k-rations, and all the essentials of warfare.

Draft notices flooded post offices, calling men to duty, and long lines formed around recruiting stations. Furniture, clothing, and automobile factories were redesigned to make war products. Nylon wasn't for stockings anymore—it was for parachutes.

In 1942 in his "State of the Union" message, the president spoke to Congress and the national radio audience: "<u>Speed</u> will count. Lost ground can always be regained—but time, never. Speed will save lives; speed will save this Nation which is in peril; speed will save our freedom and our civilization, and slowness has never been an American characteristic!" ⁶²

F.D.R. emphasized "speed" four times, the main asset of the four-winged beast that had already shot through this writer like a high-speed documentary on America at war! The eagle became a leopard with four heads and four wings, flying in sync. [Aram. & Heb.: *owph*, bird $\{73x\}$. KJV and YLT have "fowls" eating flesh and flying in the air $\{42x\}$, an archaic word. (Hens can't fly or eat flesh.)]

"In 1940, the U.S. army was smaller than that of Rumania: only 174,000 men in uniform, wearing tin hats and leggings issued during WW1, and carrying rifles designed in 1903." ⁶³ Entering the conflict two years and three months late, "American industry provided nearly two-thirds of all the Allied military equipment produced during the war." ⁶⁴

Americans sacrificed what had seemed essential but paled in comparison to helping their boys fight for freedom. Hollywood inspired us to buy war bonds and use ration cards. Unemployed people of color, homemakers, retirees, and the physically and mentally challenged formed its workforce. Our union's adage in every household was, "The War was won at home."

Joash the king sought Elisha for advice to defeat Aram. The prophet told him to strike a bunch of arrows on the ground. He hit dirt three times, angering Elisha. Three times weren't enough. Five or six times would have completely consumed the enemy. The triumph relied on its king's passion to win. (2 Kg. 13:14-19)

When Roosevelt ordered, "Speed!" he called for the leopard, and his resonant voice led to America's most important victory. A leopard's greatest asset is its speed. The camouflaged beast had been an eagle but became a leopard to rescue freedom from the jaws and claws of the terrible beast. As the leopard propelled America to oppose tyranny, she redirected the course of the war when, at its tipping point, her troops were among its great heroes who rescued the Jews from the death camps of Europe where her battle-hardened generals wept for the gaunt survivors.

The president infuriated his Republican critics when the Supreme Court agreed to pass his "Executive Order [90669] for the Internment of Japanese Citizens."⁶⁵ He argued it would avert a national crisis, but the country never forgot its national offense.

At the time of Daniel's vision, none of these nations existed, but twenty-five hundred years later, God used a world war to end His vengeance, favoring His chosen people by returning them to their land and establishing the nation for His Kingdom to come. (Is. 40:1-5; Jer. 16:16-18) Any attempt to divide God's nation ends in divisions of our own; divided nations are an easy catch.

America rushed to a war half a world away, conscripting her sons into the greatest war in history. Her leaders publicly prayed for the wisdom and strength to win by the help of God, and the God of Israel was with her. As the Lamb is a Lion, and the serpent is a dragon, the eagle became a leopard by peril and by necessity. [He stays the same, but Yeshua's mission alters as from a Lamb to a Lion.] Invisible kings and kingdoms are metaphors by the attributes of beasts; visible as rulers, they impact the world. Though we see them as flesh and blood, the kings in these battles are the spiritual kind. The scarlet beast *devoured and broke in pieces* the lands it got with ten kings many centuries before they received their kingdoms.

Three beasts, *each different from the other (in 7:3)*, won the war. In Dan. 8:24 Jews are the saints—set apart for God. At the end, *the beast was slain, and his body destroyed and given to the burning flame (in 7:11)*. Decades later Hitler's bodyguard said he'd ordered it burned and buried to prevent its discovery.⁶⁶

Having promised the land to their forefathers, God favored His Jews. ... and judgment was given to the saints of the Most High, and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom. (7:22) The Kingdom of David would be established by restoring the Jews to their homeland first, thus fulfilling God's promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob and the oracles of His prophets.

Following Roosevelt's death, Japan killed over half as many of the Allies in the Pacific as since its war began. His advisors assured President Truman a land invasion would cost a million lives. Weighing the alternatives, on August 6 he dropped the H–bomb on Hiroshima.⁶⁷ Without a truce in sight, three days later, he targeted Nagasaki, and it was suddenly clear: *the leopard was given dominion (in Dan. 7:6)*.

Now watch the dates: September 1, 1939, Germany invaded Poland. On the 3rd, Britain and France declared war on Hitler. The Pacific conflict officially ended with a treaty September 2, 1945, on Tokyo Bay.⁶⁸ Peace came in the midst of its dates.

God messaged the nations by events on Gregorian calendar dates: In the Bible, "one" represents unity or singularity; "three" stands for God; "four," for earth; "six," for man; "seven," perfection or completion; "eight," for beginnings; "ten" concerns law or judgment; "fifty" is of liberty; "five" is of grace or provision.

David had more than enough stones to fell the giant when he took five; with five loaves, Jesus fed five thousand men besides women and children; five talents went to a servant who doubled them. Each time the provision had plenty left over. God showed the Jews grace and provision by granting them the Kingdom, not by their own merit, or else grace is no longer grace. (Rom. 11:6)

Hitler's "Final Solution" sent its first shipment of Jews from ghettos to concentration camps in late 1941. Europe's first death camp was in Chelmno, Poland, operational December 8, the day

America declared war on Japan.⁶⁹ The war in Europe ended May 8, 1945, three years and five months after the U.S. committed to fight, entering Europe first.

Exactly six years and six months after Kristallnacht, the last death camp, Stutthof, was closed by the Allies on May 9, 1945, after an estimated six million Jews were murdered in Europe.⁷⁰

The history of Israel proves God judges sin. If we sin, we too must repent or be judged like Israel. Historically, God sent His enemies to judge His people, and the judgments were horrible. Their sin was odious to Him since the time He scattered them:

¹⁹ And I scattered them among the heathen, and they were dispersed through the countries: according to their way and according to their doings I judged them. ...

²³ And I will sanctify my great name which was profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; And the heathen shall know that I am the LORD, saith the Lord GOD, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. ²⁴ For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land. (Ezk. 36:19, 23-24)

²⁴ Who gave up Jacob to the looter, and Israel to the plunderers?
Was it not the LORD against whom we have sinned? in whose ways they would not walk, and whose law they would not obey? (Is. 42:24 ESV)

What's a Head?

The heads on the leopard are its leaders. Most often *rosh* described Israel's tribal leaders $\{349x\}$. [Aram.: *rë'sh*, head. In Heb.: *rö'sh*, top, foremost, first.] The leopard is a beast with four *heads*, unlike the other's ten *horns*, or kings.

 6 "After this I looked, and there was another, like a leopard, which had on its back four wings of a bird. The beast <u>also had four heads</u>, and dominion was given to it. (Dan. 7:6 NKJV) – It was the camouflaged beast of prophecy.

The U.S. Constitution names four officers as its legislative, executive, and judicial leaders: the president, the speaker of the House of Representatives, president of the Senate, and the chief justice of the Supreme Court serve the people's checks and balances as heads over the four houses in three branches of the government.⁷¹

The leaders' duties are in three Articles of the Constitution. In Article 1 the speaker of the House and the president of the Senate lead the legislators, ensuring both the populace and their various states are well served. The Senate and House create and vote on legislative bills, taxation, and declarations of war and all the laws necessary for the operation of the national government.

The House can impeach a president for bribery, treason, or high crimes and misdemeanors. The Senate holds impeachment trials. Importantly, its two houses represent the interests of our states and citizens. These powers are in Sections 7–10, Article 1.

In Article 2 the president preserves, protects, and defends the Constitution of the United States and is commander-in-chief of the armed forces and national militia. As head of the executive branch, he/she commissions officers and, by advice and consent of the Senate, makes treaties and appoints ambassadors, judges, justices of the Supreme Court, and other public ministers.

The president also grants pardons and reprieves; ensures laws are rightly executed; may issue executive orders, and may convene or adjourn one or both houses of Congress. He/she ratifies or vetoes congressional bills, but Congress can overturn a veto by a $\frac{2}{3}$ vote in each house. He/she makes policy and trade pacts, approved by Congress. See the four sections of Article 2.

In Article 3 the chief justice is head of the Supreme Court, approved by Congress. The court determines the constitutionality of laws and treaties; tries cases of public ministers, consuls, and ambassadors; of individuals and states; those between states, and those of national concern. See the eight sections of Article 3.

Approaching the Throne

^{12a} And the ten horns that thou sawest, are ten kings ... ¹³ these have one mind, and their own power and authority to the beast they shall give over; ¹⁴ these with the Lamb shall make war, and the Lamb shall overcome them, because Lord of lords he is, and King of kings, and those with him are called, and choice, and stedfast.' (Rev. 17:12a-14 YLT) [His supernatural army is in Heb. 11.]

In the distant future, the apostles would watch Him ascend to a cloud, but in the mystery of eternity, Daniel saw the Son of

man rise into heaven out of the clouds after the victory of WW2. At that time they brought Him near before the Judge, the Ancient of Days:

¹³ "I was watching in the night visions,
And behold, One like the Son of Man,
Coming with the clouds of heaven!
He came to the Ancient of Days,
And they brought Him near before Him.
¹⁴ Then to Him was given dominion and glory and a
kingdom,
That all peoples, nations, and languages should
serve Him.
His dominion <i>is</i> an everlasting dominion,
Which shall not pass away,
And His kingdom the one
Which shall not be destroyed. (Dan. 7:13-14 NKJV)

Now Jews are turning to Yeshua, and gentiles are wondering if it's the end of the age!⁷² The Savior is given dominion, glory, and a Kingdom, wearing a crown when He comes for the elect:

¹⁴ 'Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and seated on the cloud one like a son of man, with a golden crown on his head, and a sharp sickle in his hand.¹⁵ And another angel came out of the temple, calling with a loud voice to him who sat on the cloud, "Put in your sickle, and reap, for the hour to reap has come, for the harvest of the earth is fully ripe." (Rev. 14:14-15 ESV; cf. 1 Thes. 4:15-18)

February 4–11, 1945: Churchill, Stalin, and Roosevelt met in Yalta, Ukraine, with plans to partition Germany and to form the United Naions.⁷³ Seven weeks after the war, its Allies signed the UN charter in a skating rink in Flushing Meadows, NY. Article 80, page 15, avers the Balfour Declaration as international law.⁷⁴

Not long afterward, the UN agreed to change their own international law by granting the Golan Heights to Syria for her oil, despite her alliance with Hitler that cost them their sons. Then on November 29, 1947, UN Resolution 181 gave the Jews a meager portion of the original land grant.⁷⁵ The general secretary of the United Nations announced its tally as Jews listened to their RCA Victors at home: "33 yes; 13 against; 10 abstentions."⁷⁶

African and European borders were decided in Italy twentyfive years earlier. In 1947 they increased, but the Jewish borders were reduced.⁷⁷ May 14, 1948, the Jews acquiesced, and Israel was reborn with 12% of her legal borders from 1920.⁷⁸ Hours later, their celebration ended when Egyptian planes roared overhead at midnight, and their War of Independence began.⁷⁹ Even so, history has proven the prophecy of their return.

Jacob was in their genes with God by their side when they reentered the Promised Land to face the giants once again. Like Gideon, a small, poorly equipped army battled the sophisticated troops of Egypt, Lebanon, Trans-Jordan, Saudi Arabia, Syria, and Iraq till the war ended in March 1949 with Israel holding her ground for the nations to know her Redeemer is the LORD.

Arab nations built up their arms, announcing their intentions to the world, but in June 1967 the Six Day War began with a preemptive strike by the Jews. Israel regained Samaria ["the West Bank"]; Mt. Hermon [her Golan Heights], and Jerusalem; then, restored the oil-rich Sinai to Egypt for peace.⁸⁰ (See Lk. 21:24)

In 1947 the British reduced the Jews' land and soon lost an empire. One of a commonwealth of fifty-four nations, England's queen is a figurehead, but now the UK is just England, Wales, Scotland, and Northern Ireland.⁸¹ Great Britain no longer exists.

Under socialism in 1989 the USSR collapsed.⁸² Not cherishing the ideals of our founding fathers, we too will fall.

And <u>the rest of the beasts have caused their dominion to pass</u> <u>away</u>: (7:12a YLT) All three took control of Germany after the war, but dissolved their dominion when its first government regained power, and the Allies left Germany as its people's republic. The Big Three also planned the UN, which replaces their dominion, but *their lives are prolonged for a season and a time (in 7:12b)*.

A Deceiver's Diversity

He recalls the vision, but Daniel wants to hear more about the last beast. The heavenly man sounds redundant—is he? (7:23-27) The fourth beast would return: ²³ The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom ... diverse from all kingdoms ... and <u>shall</u> <u>devour the whole earth</u>. ²⁴ And the ten horns <u>out of this kingdom</u> are ten kings that <u>shall arise</u>: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first. (7:23-24) The next empire (in Rev. 13:1) would have the power and throne of the dragon. The angel is not repeating himself when he tells Daniel that the ten horns of this kingdom rise once more, and another [beast] shall

rise after them ... diverse from the first. The *first* to rise after the ten was a little horn; *another rises* as a duplicitous empire.

Babylon was his first capital; next Rome; then Berlin, his Third Reich, but the last beast is a fourth empire: at Berlin's fall, the dragon gave *his power, his throne, and great authority* to the leopard, the bear, and the lion. (Rev. 13:2) The Big Three created the UN; Alger Hiss wrote its charter after WW2, and all twenty-six allies signed it June 26, 1945.⁸³ By the dragon's power in his ten horns, unlike all other kingdoms, the next beast *devours the whole earth (7:23) ... and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues and nations. And all who dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. (Rev. 13:7b-8)*

Out of this kingdom, the ten horns shall arise [out of the Third Reich up from the next beast (in 13:2)]; *and another shall rise after them* that is *diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings (in Dan. 7:24).* Another one rises after the ten, but not like the little <u>horn</u> that first rose after them to pluck up three; he gives his throne to a fourth beast, then puts down three.

The next beast with ten horns (in Rev. 13:1) is before <u>another</u> <u>rising after them</u> who is not like *the first*—not as the little horn that rose after them, nor as a beast rising before him with his throne. He has neither seven heads nor ten horns and neither iron teeth nor brass claws, but rises with another appearance (in 13:11).

And he shall subdue three kings (in 7:24)—namely, the three that got his throne. He rises out of perdition, the heart of the earth, with horns like a lamb and abases the three by his own authority though he'd given the beast great authority.

To differentiate the times of the beasts, the writing turns to poetry and future tense, alluding to the elusive fiery red dragon. He's hard to spot, winding his way like a snake, hiding himself, but being unveiled by the history that hounds him.

In another religious empire *diverse from the first* he had, he deceives the world for worship in Revelation. He may deceive its saints by his false prophet who does fake miracles by devils, but the one with horns like a lamb is the father of lies. Long ago Jesus foretold the returning *abomination of desolation* as a sign at the end of the age. (Mat. 24:15-22; 2 Thes. 2; Dan. 7:24; 11:31; 12:11)

The one with the dragon's throne has the mike till the beast with two horns like a lamb rises with all his authority and takes the microphone to subdue the coalition of the three beasts. The ten kings return to the scarlet beast to give him their power, and by them the dragon destroys his former throne (in Rev. 17:15-18).

 24 And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and <u>another</u> shall rise after them; and he shall be <u>diverse from the first</u>, and he shall subdue three kings. (Dan. 7:24)

Not *plucking up three* by the roots as the first, he abases the three, putting them to shame. The ten crowns were restored after WW2. *The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom*, rising as *another* after them (in 7:23-4). He gives *his power, his throne, and great authority* to a beast that arrives before him (in Rev. 13:2). His power was in ten horns; his dominion, over seven cities; his throne was once his capital (in Rev. 13:2-3; 17:1-5).

Centuries ago he'd stomped the land to pieces, but his fourth empire takes *the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces* too. The Third Reich was Berlin; his fourth devours the world (in Dan. 7:23). Are these things happening today?

Bestial forms can alter. [Aram.: $sh^e n\hat{a}^\circ$, diverse {5x}, but more often, change/alter {16x}] He's *slain and his body destroyed*, but another rises after the ten. The fiery red dragon is a serpent, a scarlet beast, and a terrible beast; now he looks like a lamb but still speaks like a dragon.

Divisions, Divisions!

²⁵ And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time. (Dan. 7:25) [This is about the next beast in Rev. 13:2, 11.]

Time, times, and half a time [in most versions] is literally time, times, and <u>a division of a time</u>. (Dan. 7:25c YLT) [Aram.: p^e lag, split] In KJV and Geneva Bible of 1599, it reads, the dividing of time {1x} as it is in the Authorized KJV {1x} and in the Complete Word Study OT {1x}. It is otherwise used for dividing the earth and its watercourses {4x}, unequally split, not halved. Here the times are years. Time, times, and a division of a time pass till the great tribulation ends; then immediately, its sun is dark, its moon is red, and the earth is shaken. (Mat. 24:29-31). The elect are taken up, but the beast fulfills the remainder of his days.

Biblical Hebrew months are thirty days long. The number of *times* is more than three, but 1,260 days or *forty-two months* are not the *times* here. Unlike *time, times and half a time* as *forty-two* [30-day] *months*, or 1,260 days; it is *time, times, and the dividing of a time,* making an unequal division to shorten its time—split short: And except those days be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but <u>for the elect's sake</u>, those days shall be shortened. (Mat. 24:22, 29) The beast overcomes the elect in fewer than forty-two months; then during the wrath, he musters the UN to war.

At the end of Daniel 7, the Kingdom is *given to the people of the saints*—the inheritance of Messiah promised to Abraham—believers of all nations, not just their own (in 7:18), but also those grafted into their tree. New covenant believers are *the people of the saints*. (Gen. 18:18-19; 22:18; 26:4-5; Eph. 2:19) Gentile nations are the Lord's inheritance. (Ps. 2:8; 82:8; Is. 49:6; 54:3; 60:3; Mal. 1:11)

²⁷ And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him. (Dan. 7:27) [Messiah returns like lightning across the skies to mete out destruction on their enemies.]

About a thousand years after God created all things, Noah and his family escaped the flood though it destroyed the world that was; in another thousand years, God called Abram out of Ur to a land unknown. Near Jerusalem's walls, Melchizedek served bread and wine to Abram after the battle of the kings, and he gave him tithes of the spoils (in Gen. 14:18-20). In a thousand years, the prophet Samuel anointed David as Israel's king who overcame its then Jebusite city. A thousand years later, Yeshua was born to be crucified outside her walls.

Six thousand years after the creation of the world, the Six Day War regained the city and made her their capital once again. The trouble over Jerusalem and the Jews of Israel is why the Son of God, their Savior, returns to her in the likeness and order of Melchizedek as King and Priest over a Kingdom of priests. He will reign in righteousness and truth from the Throne God chose over the whole world. (Is. 51:4; 14:25; Jer. 2:7; 16:18; Ezk. 36:1-11; 38:16; Jl. 1:6; 3:2; Rev. 20:6)

The Ancient Secrets

The Promise

¹² When your days are over and you rest with your ancestors, I will raise up your offspring to succeed you, <u>your own flesh and blood</u>, and I will establish his kingdom. ¹³ He is the one who will build a house for my Name, and <u>I will establish the throne of his kingdom</u> forever. ^{14a} I will be his father, and he will be my son. ... (2 Sam. 7:12-14a NIV; cf. Is. 7:14)

The LORD spoke to David by the prophet Nathan, saying He, God Himself, would be the Father of One who would be born in fulfillment of this promise. His Son would come as David's flesh and blood through a virgin birth; otherwise, He could not also be the Son of God:

⁶This is He who came by water and blood—Jesus Christ; not only by water, but by water and blood. And it is the Spirit who bears witness, because the Spirit is truth. ⁷For there are three that bear witness in heaven: the Father, the Word, and the Holy Spirit; and these three are one. ⁸And there are three that bear witness on earth: the Spirit, the water, and the blood; and these three agree as one.

⁹ If we receive the witness of men, the witness of God is greater; for this is the witness of God which He has testified of His Son. ¹⁰ He who believes in the Son of God has the witness in himself; he who does not believe God has made Him a liar, because he has not believed the testimony that God has given of His Son. ¹¹ And this is the testimony: that God has given us eternal life, and this life is in His Son. ¹² He who has the Son has life; he who does not have the Son of God does not have life. ¹³These things I have written to you who believe in the name of the Son of God, that you may know that you have eternal life, and that you may continue to believe in the name of the Son of God. (1 Jn. 5:6-13 NKJV)