

2 Timothy 3:16-17 AMPC

16 Every Scripture is God-breathed (given by His inspiration) and profitable for instruction, for reproof and conviction of sin, for correction of error and discipline in obedience, [and] for training in righteousness (in holy living, in conformity to God's will in thought, purpose, and action),

17 So that the man of God may be complete and proficient, well fitted and thoroughly equipped for every good work.

Luke 24:44-45 AMPC

44 Then He said to them, This is what I told you while I was still with you: everything which is written concerning Me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.

45 Then He [thoroughly] opened up their minds to understand the <u>Scriptures</u>

John 1:1 AMPC

1 In the beginning [before all time] was the Word (Christ), and the Word was with God, and the Word was God Himself.

Isaiah 46:9-10 AMPC

- 9 [Earnestly] <u>remember the former things, [which I did] of old;</u> for I am God, and there is no one else; I am God, and there is none like Me,
- 10 <u>Declaring the end and the result from the beginning</u>, and <u>from ancient times the things that are not yet done</u>, saying, My counsel shall stand, and <u>I will do all My pleasure and purpose</u>

We are going to look at this *Empire* or *Beast* of Bible prophecy called Rome. But, instead of just going back to the book of Daniel, I would like to go to the book of Revelation, chapter 12.

Revelation 12:3 KJV

3 And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having <u>seven heads and ten horns</u>, and seven crowns upon his heads.

Revelation 12:1-3 AMPC

3 Then another ominous sign (wonder) was seen in heaven: Behold, a huge, fiery-red dragon, with <u>seven heads and ten horns</u>, and seven kingly crowns (diadems) upon his heads.

There's a great red dragon that has seven heads and ten horns on his head. Later on these ten horns who are not given crowns in the book of Daniel but they are given crowns in the book of Revelation. So, there are ten actual kings.

In the book of Revelation this idea of seven heads keeps coming up...

Revelation 13:1 KJV

13 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and <u>saw a beast rise up</u> out of the sea, having <u>seven heads and ten horns</u>, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his <u>heads the name of blasphemy</u>.

Revelation 13:1 AMPC

13 [As] I stood on the sandy beach, <u>I saw a beast coming</u> up out of the sea with <u>ten horns and seven heads</u>. On his horns he had ten royal crowns (diadems) and <u>blasphemous titles (names) on his head</u>s.

Revelation 17:3 KJV

3 So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and <u>I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.</u>

Revelation 17:3 AMPC

3 And [the angel] bore me away [rapt] in the Spirit into a desert (wilderness), and <u>I saw a woman seated on a scarlet beast that was all covered with blasphemous titles (names), and he had seven heads and ten horns.</u>

We have the seven heads of the beast, the seven heads of the dragon. So, what are the seven heads again? The seven heads represent seven empires that start from the very beginning of our Bible and natural history. Beginning with Egypt going to the tribulation period.

We need to go into the scriptures and look at what God's Word says "which has been" to help us understand what is about to happen next. According to the Bible, found in the history of God's Word, there has already been six major prophetic empires that have affected Israel and the Jewish people at the time of John's writing thru today. Below is the 7 heads of this Bible prophecy - 6 already have been.

1. Egyptian Empire

Last of Genesis through Exodus 12

2. Assyrian Empire

1 & 2 Chronicles, 1 & 2 Kings

3. Babylonian Empire

Book of Daniel

4. Media - Persian Empire

Book of Daniel, Ezra and Nehemiah

5. Grecian Empire

Strength of the Empire was during gap between Malachi and John The Baptist

6. Roman Empire

In 70 AD they destroyed the Temple and Jerusalem and the Jews were scattered and they renamed the area, Palestine.

7. 7th Head/Beast Or Empire

Revelation 12:3, 13:1, 17:3,7,9 The seventh head is going to continue for a short space...1260 days/42 months or first 3 1/2 years of Tribulation

From the tree stump and back to the image then to the beast... it's all coming together. I believe that the beginning stages or ground work for the seventh empire is forming now and THIS IS GLOBALISM. This is happening very quickly and speedily as the Bible said it would, especially sense the beginning of pandemic how Bible Prophecy can, will and is being fulfilled.

Governments across the world wants to give everyone a chip for: immunization, government money, essential workers, etc. This is called marking or numbering people. This is a foreshadowing of things to come.. this is in the book of Daniel and Revelation.

The U.N., not just the United States, wants to be able to track you and I from the chip that is in your credit card, phone, id/passport but ultimately you right hand or forehead for theft reasons, rationing, control of everyday life. (Rev. 13)



All this tracking and globalism is part of an empire that is going to rule at the End Of Days that it going to be a Global Empire or Beast. The strength of much of this empire will come out of the old Roman Empire (western and eastern) which will form back into the Babylonian Empire.

The stump is the Babylonian Empire and the rings or bands are the Grecian Empire and the Roman Empire indicating that these areas of the Grecian and Roman Empires are all going to be in subjection to, connected to or under the ancient Babylon Empire. This is where the antichrist will first set up His headquarters during the 7th Empire or Beast system.



In Daniel 3 there is the story of an economic summit that is held by King Nebuchadnezzar with a statue of solid gold. This is not a dream or a vision, it is simply worshipping a golden image that was built to exalt King Nebuchadnezzar standing 90 ft high and 9 ft square. It represented the one world currency and government or beast system at that time.

Daniel 3:1 AMPC

- I Nebuchadnezzar the king [caused to be] made an image of gold, whose height was sixty cubits or ninety feet and its breadth six cubits or nine feet. He set it up on the plain of Dura in the province of Babylon.
- 2 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the satraps, the deputies, the governors, the judges and chief stargazers, the treasurers, the counselors, the sheriffs and lawyers, and all the chief officials of the provinces to come to the dedication of the image which King Nebuchadnezzar had [caused to be] set up.
- 3 Then the satraps, the deputies, the governors, the judges and chief stargazers, the treasurers, the counselors, the sheriffs and lawyers, and all the chief officials of the provinces were gathered together for the dedication of the image that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up, and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.
- 4 Then the herald cried aloud, You are commanded, O peoples, nations, and languages,
- 5 That when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, dulcimer or bagpipe, and every kind of music, you are to fall down and worship the golden image that King Nebuchadnezzar has set up.
- 6 And whoever does not fall down and worship shall that very hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.
- 7 Therefore, when all the peoples heard the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, dulcimer or bagpipe, and every kind of music, all the peoples, nations, and languages fell down and worshiped the golden image that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

Daniel 3:1 KJV

I Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.

- 2 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the princes, the governors, and the captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, to come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.
- 3 Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers, the counsellors, the sheriffs, and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered together unto the dedication of the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up; and they stood before the image that Nebuchadnezzar had set up. 4 Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people, nations, and languages,
- 5 That at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up:
- 6 And whoso falleth not down and worshippeth shall the same hour be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.
- 7 Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of music, all the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down and worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

This Economic summit in Daniel Chapter 3 is much like the culmination of or the end game of the current G20 Summits.

What is the G20?

The Group of Twenty (G20) is an international forum that brings together the world's leading industrialized and emerging economies. The group accounts for 85 per cent of world GDP and two-thirds of its population. Much of the important business takes place on the sidelines and in informal meetings.

Initially attendance at G20 summits was limited to the finance ministers and central bank governors of members when it was established 23 years ago. But since an inaugural meeting between G20 leaders in Washington DC following the collapse of Lehman Brothers in 2008, summits between G20 leaders themselves have become an annual event. The first G20 summit occurred in Berlin, in December 1999 - hosted by the German/Canadian finance ministers.

This event has prophetic parallels found in the book of Revelation. This event of King Nebuchadnezzar building an image where you were going to burn and die if you didn't bow and worship it is found in Revelation Chapters 12, 13 and 20.

We are going to start bringing this together with Daniel chapter 3 and the image and how it fits the antichrist and the image of the beast. The Bible says that one day the false prophet will cause this image to speak or be heard by bringing life to it or legitimacy and cause men (all people) worship it or agree to use it. The world will have to literally buy into this currency (cashless) in order to conduct business and live.

Revelation 13 AMPC

- I [As] I stood on the sandy beach, <u>I saw a beast coming</u> up out of the sea with ten horns and seven heads. On his horns he had ten royal crowns (diadems) and blasphemous titles (names) on his heads.
- 2 And the beast that I saw resembled a leopard, but his feet were like those of a bear and his mouth was like that of a lion. And to him the dragon gave his [own] might and power and his [own] throne and great dominion.
- 3 And one of his heads seemed to have a deadly wound. But his death stroke was healed; and the whole earth went after the beast in amazement and admiration.
- 4 They fell down and paid homage to the dragon, because he had bestowed on the beast all his dominion and authority; they also praised and worshiped the beast, exclaiming, Who is a match for the beast, and, Who can make war against him?
- 5 And the beast was given the power of speech, uttering boastful and blasphemous words, and he was given freedom to exert his authority and to exercise his will during forty-two months (three and a half years).
- 6 And he opened his mouth to speak slanders against God, blaspheming His name and His abode, [even vilifying] those who live in heaven.
- 7 He was further permitted to wage war on God's holy people (the saints) and to overcome them. And power was given him to extend his authority over every tribe and people and tongue and nation,

- 8 And all the inhabitants of the earth will fall down in adoration and pay him homage, everyone whose name has not been recorded in the Book of Life of the Lamb that was slain [in sacrifice] from the foundation of the world.
- 9 If anyone is able to hear, let him listen:
- 10 Whoever leads into captivity will himself go into captivity; if anyone slays with the sword, with the sword must he be slain. Herein is [the call for] the patience and the faith and fidelity of the saints (God's people).
- 11 <u>Then I saw another beast</u> rising up out of the land [itself]; he had two horns like a lamb, and he spoke (roared) like a dragon.
- 12 He exerts all the power and right of control of the former beast in his presence, and causes the earth and those who dwell upon it to exalt and deify the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed, and to worship him.
- 13 <u>He performs great signs</u> (startling miracles), even making fire fall from the sky to the earth in men's sight.
- 14 And because of the signs (miracles) which he is allowed to perform in the presence of the [first] beast, he deceives those who inhabit the earth, commanding them to erect a statue (an image) in the likeness of the beast who was wounded by the [small] sword and still lived.
- 15 And he is permitted [also] to impart the breath of life into the beast's image, so that the statue of the beast could actually talk and cause to be put to death those who would not bow down and worship the image of the beast. (have rulership with agreement)
- 16 Also he compels all [alike], both small and great, both the rich and the poor, both free and slave, to be marked with an inscription [stamped] on their right hands or on their foreheads,
- 17 So that no one will have power to buy or sell unless he bears the stamp (mark, inscription), [that is] the name of the beast or the number of his name.
- 18 Here is [room for] discernment [a call for the wisdom [d] of interpretation]. Let anyone who has intelligence (penetration and insight enough) calculate the number (symbol) of the beast, for it is a human number [the number of a certain man]; his number is 666.

From Daniel Chapter 3, we know that the Babylonia Empire held an economic summit with King Nebuchadnezzar bringing all the governmental leaders from all nations under his command. He instructed all of them to bow down or subject themselves to this one world monetary system which was gold. If a leader did not submit or his nation that he represented did not submit to using this currency/system, they would be killed.

This one world economy or globalism parallels the End Times prophetic teaching of John in the book of Revelation. Revelation chapter 13 shows us how the false prophet (spiritual leader) will give validity to the antichrist (government leader) and deceive people into taking a mark on the forehead or right hand in order to buy and sell in this one world economy or beast system.

<u>Isaiah 46:9-10 AMPC</u>

9 [Earnestly] remember the former things, [which I did] of old; for I am God, and there is no one else; I am God, and there is none like Me, 10 Declaring the end and the result from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all My pleasure and purpose



The third vision that we are going to be dealing with in the book of Daniel (chapter 8) - is a vision of animals. The first vision found in Daniel chapter 2 was the metallic empires and showing those empires that were yet to come. We know from history that this was true - thus, Daniel the "Never Wrong" Prophet.

Then, the vision of the stump in Daniel chapter 4 which shows the Babylonian Empire being cut down by the Media Persia Empire and King Nebuchadnezzar being exiled for 7 years. That stump representing Babylon had 2 bands remaining on it representing the Roman and the Grecian Empires or Beast and that Babylon would grow back at the End of Time or End Of Days.

For this 3rd vision we are going to go to chapter 8 of the book of Daniel.

Daniel 8:3-9 AMPC

- 3 And I lifted up my eyes and saw, and behold, there stood before the river a [single] ram which had two horns [representing two kings of Medo-Persia: Darius the Mede, then Cyrus]; and the two horns were high, but one [Persia] was higher than the other, and the higher one came up last.
- 4 I looked and saw the ram [Medo-Persia] pushing and charging westward and northward and southward; no beast could stand before <u>him</u>, neither could anyone rescue from his power, but he did according to his [own] will and pleasure and magnified himself.
- 5 As I was considering, behold, a he-goat [the king of Greece] came from the west across the face of the whole earth without touching the ground, and the goat had a conspicuous and remarkable horn between his eyes [symbolizing Alexander the Great].
- 6 And he came to the ram that had the two horns which I had seen standing on the bank of the river and ran at him in the heat of his power.
- 7 [In my vision] I saw him come close to the ram [Medo-Persia], and he was moved with anger against him and he [Alexander the Great] struck the ram and broke his two horns; and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but the goat threw him to the ground and trampled on him. And there was no one who could rescue the ram from his power.
- 8 And the he-goat [Alexander the Great] magnified himself exceedingly, and when he was [young and] strong, the great horn [he] was [suddenly] broken; and instead of [him] there came up four notable horns [to whom the kingdom was divided, one] toward [each of] the four winds of the heavens.
- 9 <u>Out of littleness and small beginnings one of them came forth,</u> a horn whose [impious presumption and pride] grew exceedingly great toward the south and toward the east and toward the ornament [the precious, blessed land of Israel].

<u>Daniel 8:3-9 KJV</u>

- 3 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last.
- 4 I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great.
- 5 And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes.
- 6 And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power.
- 7 And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand.
- 8 Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and for it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.
- 9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

The ram in the book of Daniel represents the Media-Persia Empire or Medes and Persians. That is the reason for the two horns, Media and Persia. They were two different groups that united together as one front. They had different sets of kings and governments but they did conquer Babylon or the Babylonian Empire.

Daniel 8:20 AMPC

20 <u>The ram you saw having two horns, they are the kings of Media and Persia.</u>



Notice, he has two horns on his head, the Bible says that the one of these horns, the latter, even though both were big, one was more powerful or stronger.

Daniel 8:3 AMPC

3 And I lifted up my eyes and saw, and behold, there stood before the river a [single] ram which had two horns [representing two kings of Medo-Persia: Darius the Mede, then Cyrus]; and the two horns were high, but one [Persia] was higher than the other, and the higher one came up last.

Daniel 8:3 KJV

3 Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last.

The Word says "Higher" and this was because Persia was stronger than Media. So, the Persian Empire became the lead in the latter part of this Empire, they had a stronger military and even though the Media kings started by leading, this prophecy tells us that the Persian kings come out stronger at the end.

According to Scripture, we also have a goat with four horns in the back and one in the front center. These horns represent authority and they represent power. This represents Alexander the Great (front and center), he had four generals that worked with him and he was the chief of the generals. He is the big horn that is on the head of the goat representing one king who has great authority but four smaller kings or rulers working with him. This is all found and confirmed in natural history.

According to the Bible...

Daniel 8:20 AMPC

20 The ram you saw having two horns, they are the kings of Media and Persia.

Daniel 8:20 KJV

20 The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.



Here is the set up for this story. The ram is at a river, and this is history, the Euphrates river. The Persians came into the city and they overthrew the Babylonians secretly. But what happened was the Medes and Persians who were ruling from Babylon and all of a sudden this goat comes, and that is Alexander the Great.

Daniel 8:21 AMPC

21 And the shaggy and rough he-goat is the king of Greece, and the great horn between his eyes is the first king [who consolidated the whole realm, Alexander the Great].

<u>Daniel 8:21 KJV</u>

21 And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.

Why did God use a goat to represent the kingdom of Alexander the



Great or the Grecian Empire? Because this area was known as Macedonia.

The first Macedonians took goats seeking a sign as to where they should build their cities and their communities. So they went to place called Edessa in Macedonia.

They saw the goats running sensing a storm was coming. As they were watching where the goats were running for protection they decided this is where they should build. So they called this place Agio which means the goat people. Very early in history a goat became the emblem of the Grecian Empire or the Greek People.

Once again, the horns on the goat represent Alexander The Great. The big horn in the middle is him and the four horns behind it are his generals.

This is what happened... King Alexander met King Darius at a river and beat the Persians. There were 200,000 Persians and only 35,000 Greeks and they defeated the Medes and Persians.

Here's something very interesting... the early Greeks worshiped a god named Amun and built temples to him. He had a mans face, but also the horns of a ram. Alexander the great who was the noted horn on the goat in Daniels imagery in this vision/dream was called the "Son Of Amun" in Egypt and therefore considered himself a type of god.



There was a silver coin called the Tetradrachm. This had a picture of Alexander The Great with goat horns around his head. To me this is so interesting how God used the emblem of a goat and the Greeks got into this idea of the goat being their symbol and the goats symbol representing authority and leadership.

Remember from earlier in our study, I said that God uses symbols that the people were familiar with. So, now we have this ram with two horns, God used the goat with the horns to represent Alexander the Great, why did God choose rams for Media Persia?

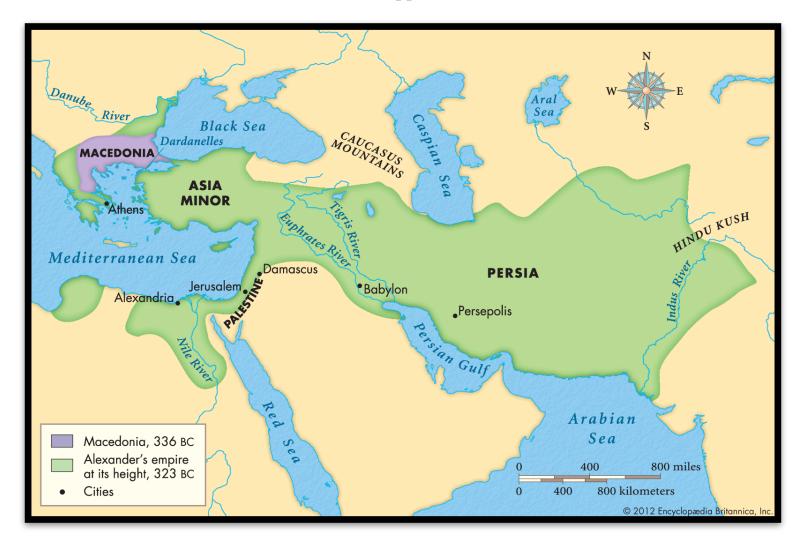


Here's the reason why. In the mountains of Persia, there is mountain rams. This animal has been around sense this empire and it was a strong and ruling animal. It had great power and great authority.

God used these animal symbols that they would be familiar with and at times, these animals were part of the kingdom. The ram representing the Media Persia Empire is an example. The goat being in Greece and goats are known all throughout the world.

But now, let's focus on the 4 horns on the back of the head of the goat and the one in front or the notable one. This is very important.

Alexander the Great after 12 years of fighting conquered the known world and his *Empire or Beast* was established all the way to the edge of India, to northern Africa, to the upper middle east etc.



After conquering the world, he (Alexander the Great) sat on a rock in Babylon and wept for no more worlds to conquer...he thought to rebuild Babylon and a 2nd century Greek historian recorded the ill-fated venture. He was told by wise men (the priest of Baal) not to rebuild Babylon and soon he became sick from drinking and he died (some think he was poisoned). He was buried on June 13th, 323 B.C.. He was buried in Siwa, Egypt, where he had consulted oracles of an idol god who told him he would conquer the world.

So, three empires, Babylon, Media-Persian and the Greeks all ruled from Babylon. Remember, that the tree stump is the Babylonian Empire in Daniel Chapter 4. Three of the four empires mentioned in the book of Daniel all ruled from the same headquarters - ancient Babylon. Using the modern maps of today, that is the country of Iraq.

Another point I want to bring out that is very interesting about the four horns that are on the back side of that goat is the notable horn in the front, Alexander the Great dies, so what happened to his kingdom is this...

His kingdom is divided up amongst his four generals. I wrote out the land that they took over and the modern day land. I didn't include all nations just the basic ones for a general boundary line.

Ptolemy

He took: Egypt and Northern Africa Modern day: Egypt, Libya and Northern Africa

Seleucus

He took: Assyria and Babylon Modern day: Iraq, Syria and Lebanon

Lysimachus

He took: Turkey Modern day: Turkey and Southern Russia

Cassander

He took: Greece and Macedonia Modern day: Romania, Greece and Bulgaria

What I'm about to tell you is something very important prophetically. Many people will say, well, I think that the antichrist is going to live in Washington DC or I think mystery Babylon is New York or I think the United States will have the antichrist.

The Bible plainly gives you and I clues in this Daniel prophecy (and all throughout Daniel) of where the antichrist is coming from and I'm going to give you one of those clues.

When Alexander the Greats kingdom was divided up among his four generals after his death, they divided the world or his empire into four sections. The Bible plainly tells us a clue in the Book of Daniel.

Daniel 8:9 KJV

9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

<u>Daniel 7:8 KJV</u>

8 I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Out of one of the four divisions that Alexander the Greats generals took over comes the antichrist. He becomes great among the small people, he has a mouth that speaks great things. He defies the true God by exalting himself and saying he is the true god.

When the antichrist comes to power, and he will... he will not come from Canada, he won't even come from the western hemisphere. He will come from the middle eastern area of Alexander the Greats old empire.

Let's go back to the stump in Daniel Chapter 4... Why is there 2 rings on that stump...one of them is iron and that represents Rome and one of them is brass representing Greece. So why is it on this tree stump of Babylon? The brass/bronze is because the antichrist comes out of one of the 4 divisions of the Grecian Empire (Daniel Chapter 7)

Using the 4 divisions where the general took and where the nations are the strongest, the antichrist either has to come out of Egypt, Turkey, Greece and Macedonia or Syria and Iraq.

The reason for **Egypt**, is that it used to be an empire but it is no longer an empire it is just a country. **Turkey** was the head of the Ottoman/Turkish Empire (I've done studies on this natural history) which ruled from 1517 to 1917 over the middle east and Palestine and it's power was broken but they (Muslims) are trying to reestablish this. They want a caliph and a caliphate. (one religion and one government)

Then, you have <u>Greece and Macedonia</u> which is part of the ancient Grecian empire which we are talking about right now. <u>Then the next location would be Syria, Iraq and Lebanon</u> which is the headquarters of the old <u>Babylonian Empire</u>, the tree stump of Daniel Chapter 4.

The antichrist will come out of the area of the tree stump and try to grow that which was dead. The cutting down of the tree represented King Nebuchadnezzar's break down (Daniel 4:19-37). The tree's roots was left in the earth so at they time of the end, a leader would bring the Babylonian area back to prominence again.

But remember, these 2 bands on the tree stump of iron and brass are there for a reason. There are prophetically pointing back to the metallic empires to show you what will be happening. The book of Daniel is a book of prophecy. So here's the question, which one of these empires will the antichrist come from?

1. Will he come from Egypt? This is According to Daniel Chapter 11

Daniel 11:42-43 KJV

- 42 He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.
- 43 But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps.

Daniel 11:42-43 AMPC

- 42 He shall stretch out his hand also against the [other] countries, but the land of Egypt shall not be among the escaped ones.
- 43 But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver and over all the precious things of Egypt, and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall accompany him [compelled to follow his steps].

The antichrist will take over Egypt, Libya and Ethiopia - he, the antichrist will conquer these areas. He takes over Egypt and it says that Libya and Ethiopia are at his foot steps or follow him. That is not his headquarters if he invades it and takes it over in the middle of the tribulation. So we can take that and eliminate it as the place he rules from for the first 42 months of the tribulation.

2. What about Turkey? Let's look at Daniel 11:40

<u>Daniel 11:40 KJV</u>

40 <u>And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him:</u> and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.

Daniel 11:40 AMPC

40 And at the time of the end the king of the South shall push at and attack him, and the king of the North shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots and horsemen and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries and shall overflow and pass through.

The king of the north here is not Russia, but, it is Turkey. Turkey in recent years has almost been at war with Syria. There is allot of animosity with the Turks and the Kurds, Syrians and Iraqi's.

If Turkey pushes at him (Daniel 11:40) during a war - he doesn't come out of Turkey, they are pushing at him because he (the antichrist) is coming out of somewhere else.

3. What about Greece?

Greece is now part of the E.U., but Greece economically is not a super power. Greece has had economic problems, rioting, can't make payments to the EU or to their own people. This leaves only one area...it goes back to the stump. Most people don't realize just home important Daniel Chapter 4 is.

The 4th choice and only choice I believe based on God's Word is the stump...

4. Iraq, Syria and Lebanon

The more you get into this - it all goes back to the stump which is the area of Iraq, Syria and Lebanon which is the old Babylonian territory. In the book of Daniel it says that the antichrist is great to the east and great to the south and great towards the pleasant land.

Daniel 8:9 KJV

9 And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

The pleasant land is Israel, the south is the northern part of Africa which we talked about which is Egypt, Libya and Ethiopia (Daniel 11). The Bible says this is the area that antichrist will come in and take over.

But, it also says he will be great to the east. Now, anytime you read a measurement or location in the Bible where it talks about north, south, east and west...don't think about it from where the United States is, but they are referring to where Israel is located.

When you look at this prophecy it says that the antichrist will be great to the east which includes: Jordan, Iraq, Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan. All of these are definitely islamic countries.

Keep in mind, that in the prophetic history of empires, Babylon, Media-Perisa and Greece, their kings and leaders all ruled from Babylon.

Keep in mind that the tree stump in Daniel Chapter 4 is Babylon or the Babylonian Empire in King Nebuchadnezzar's day. It gets cut down meaning it doesn't exist now (it's just a stump). But the stump is still in the earth and the reason you have Rome and you have Greece is because the antichrist is going to take over all the territory from the ancient Roman Empire.

When it comes to Greece, it is the four divisions the reveal where the antichrist is going to come from. So if you just go to Daniel you will discover that the antichrist will come out of the territory that we're are talking about and I have been sense for years.

Let's look at what Daniel 2 has to say about this fourth kingdom.

Daniel 2:40 KJV

40 And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.

Daniel 7:7 KJV

7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

This is what scholars call the non-descriptive beast meaning it doesn't tell you what it looks like in great detail in the book of Daniel. But, John tells us in Revelation what the beasts looks like. (Remember Daniel 12:4 - he was instructed to seal up the book of prophecy for a period of time).

Revelation 13:1-2 KJV

I And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

Now, back to Daniel...

Daniel 7:19 KJV

19 Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;

Daniel 7:23 KJV

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.

We know that part of this fourth beast or fourth empire from the book of Daniel was the Roman Empire. It was a prophecy concerning the Roman Empire.

In 200-196 B.C. were some of Rome's first military victories. In 148 B.C. in Macedonia which we know now as the area of Greece, this area became a Roman providence at that time.

The city of Corinth was taken over and destroyed by the Romans in 146 B.C. and later in 86 B.C. the city of Athens was taken over and destroyed by the Romans. That is when Rome took over all the area of Greece and not just Macedonia which was part of it.

The iron of the Roman Empire... They began to expand to Britain, Spain, France, Italy and Greece and in the middle east. They took over Judea which we now know that is part of Israel and all the coast of northern Africa. That included Morocco, Libya and Egypt and all the coast line for important and exporting all through the Mediterranean.

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