

DANIEL'S FIRST VISION, PART 2
(Daniel 7:9-14)

- I. The ANCIENT of DAYS (Dan. 7:9-10)
 - A. Thrones are “SET UP” or “ESTABLISHED”
 - B. The ANCIENT OF DAYS is introduced
 - 1. He is seated on a PRIMARY throne among MANY
 - 2. He is dressed in WHITE signifying HOLINESS
 - 3. He has WHITE HAIR signifying WISDOM
 - 4. His throne was ABLAZE and moved on BURNING WHEELS signifying DEITY (cf. Ezek. 1:13; Rev. 1:14-15)
 - 5. This is GOD THE FATHER
 - C. A RIVER of FIRE issues forth signifying RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT (cf. Ps. 97:2-30; Heb. 12:29)
 - D. A host of SAINTS and ANGELS are with Him (cf. Deut. 33:2)
 - E. The court CONVENES and the BOOKS are OPENED (cf. Isa. 65:6; Mal. 3:16; Rev. 20:12)
 - 1. This is a FUTURE JUDGMENT
 - 2. This is a FINAL EVENT

- II. The DESTRUCTION of the BEAST (Dan. 7:11-12)
 - A. The LITTLE HORN speaks BOASTFUL words (cf. 7:8)
 - B. The BEAST is KILLED (cf. Rev. 19:19-21)
 - 1. His body is DESTROYED and consigned to the FIRE
 - 2. Indicates how SWIFTLY God can DISPOSE of the mightiest of men
 - C. The rest of the BEASTS are MENTIONED
 - 1. Previous kingdoms ENDED, but elements SURVIVED
 - 2. Destruction of FINAL kingdom demarks RADICAL CHANGE (cf. Mat. 25:31-46)

- III. The Fifth Kingdom Ruled by the SON OF MAN (Dan. 7:13-14)
 - A. The SON OF MAN appears from HEAVEN
 - 1. The CLOUDS indicate His DEITY (cf. Acts 1:9, 11; Rev. 1:7)
 - 2. Evidently, this was GOD in HUMAN FORM
 - 3. JESUS' favorite title for HIMSELF (John 1:51; 3:13, 14; 5:27, etc.)
 - B. He was "PRESENTED BEFORE" the Ancient of Days
 - C. He is given DOMINION, GLORY, and a KINGDOM
 - 1. UNIVERSAL in scope—over ALL people
 - 2. ETERNAL in duration—never ENDING and INDESTRUCTIBLE
 - 3. SUPREME in status—the ultimate and final ANSWER to HUMAN kingdoms