

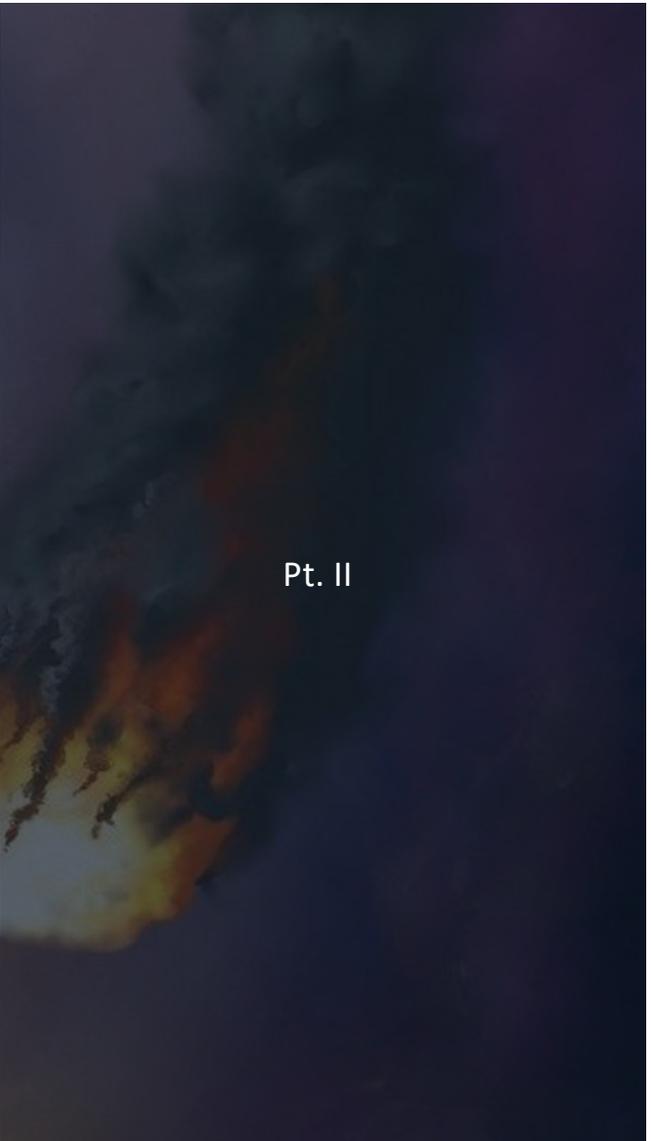


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~ Lesson 7 ~
“Four Beast - One God!”

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Babylon
605 - 539 BC

Medo-Persia
539 - 331 BC

Greece
331 - 168 BC

Rome
168 - 476 BC



Daniel 7: Review





Daniel 7: Review

Key Symbols

- Sea - Multitudes of people, nations and tongues. (Rev 17:15)
- Winds - War and Strife (Jer. 49:35-37)
- Beasts - Kingdoms (Dan. 7:17)
- The Ancient of Days - The Sovereign God (cf. Ez 1:13)
 - This is the God who changes the times and the seasons; **WHO** removes kings and raises up kings; **WHO** gives wisdom to the wise And knowledge to those who have understanding. (Dan 2:21)



Daniel 7: The King of Heaven

More on the Ancient of Days

- Assurance is provided:
 - Judgement will take place.
 - The King has existed before the beast kingdoms.
 - His Kingdom, the fifth kingdom, will emerge forever.

Daniel 7: The King of Heaven

- 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 *is* an everlasting dominion, Which shall not pass away, And His kingdom *the one* Which shall not be destroyed.

Daniel 7:13-14



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Daniel 7: The King of Heaven

One Like the Son of Man

- If the Ancient of Days has been identified as the Sovereign God, then it stands to reason that the One like The Son of Man is Jesus





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One Like the Son of Man

- This figure is described as like...

bar 'enash (Aramaic)



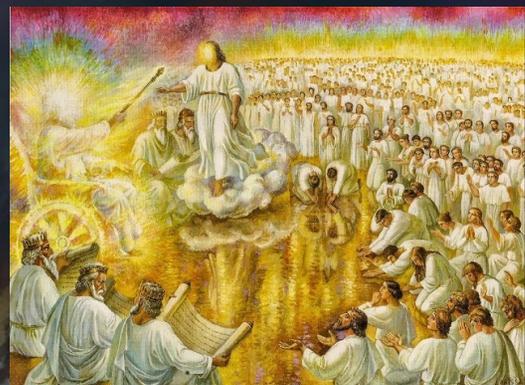
Son of Man



Human Being



Not a beast



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One Like the Son of Man

- According the text, where is this One coming from and where this One going?
 - Not from Heaven in a cloud
 - Towards Heaven in a cloud



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A Divine Investiture

- The one like a son of man is presented before the Ancient of Days to
 - Be for the purpose of being established in office.
 - Be given a dominion and a kingdom that all should serve him (v. 14a).
 - Restore God's creational intent (cf. Gen 1:26)



Acts 1:9–11; 2:33; 5:31





Daniel 7: The King of Heaven

The Little Horn: Significantly Insignificant

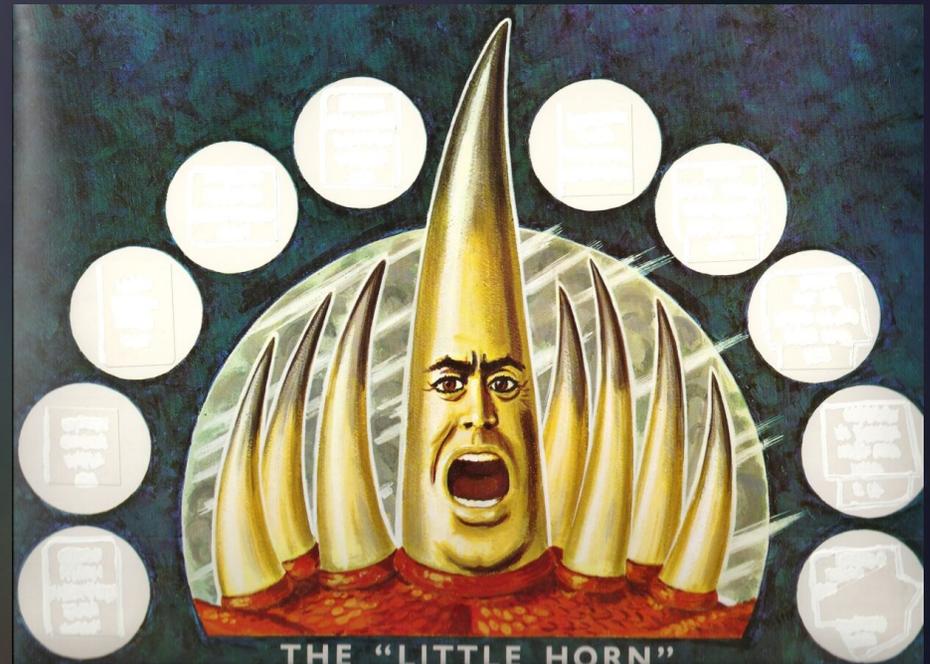
- The Ancient of Days (9–10)
 - Little horn/beast(s) (11–12)
- One like a Son of Man (13–14)

Daniel 7: The Beasts Explained

- “Then I wished to know the truth about the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, exceedingly dreadful, *with* its teeth of iron and its nails of bronze, *which* devoured, broke in pieces, and trampled the residue with its feet; ²⁰ and the ten horns that *were* on its head, and the other *horn* which came up, before which three others fell, namely, that horn which had eyes and a mouth which spoke pompous words, whose appearance was greater than his fellows.

Daniel 7:19-20

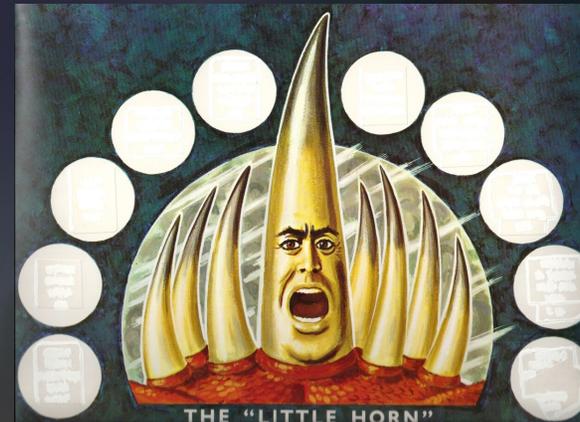
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Daniel 7: The Beasts Explained

Identifying The Little Horn of Destruction

- Horn
 - Horn a symbol of power and strength
 - Horn a symbol of Kingdom
 - Horns are not only attributed to beast power but are found elsewhere in the Bible.



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Identifying The Little Horn of Destruction

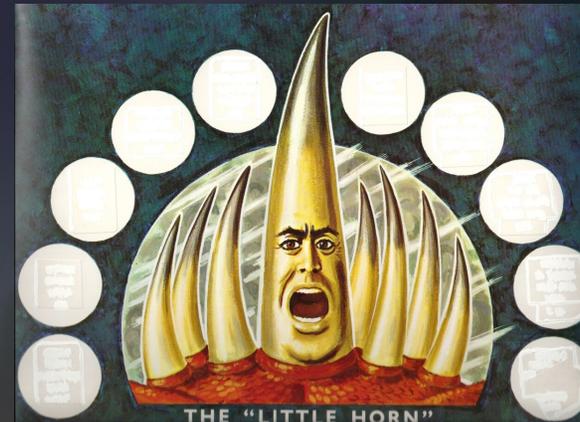
- Comes up among them (v. 8)

Them = Ten Horns



Germanic Tribes of Western Europe

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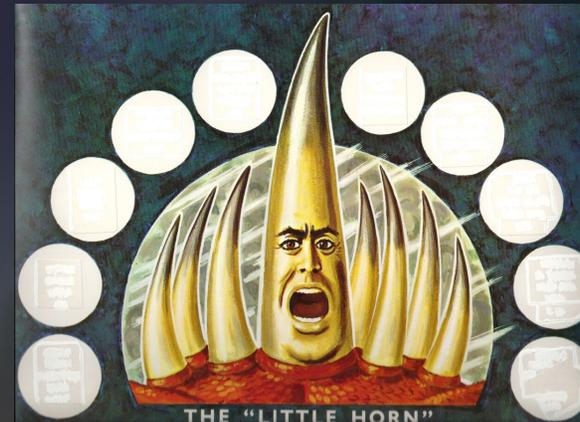


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- Different From the First Ones (v. 24)
 - In what way?
 - By the merging of Church and State (538 AD)



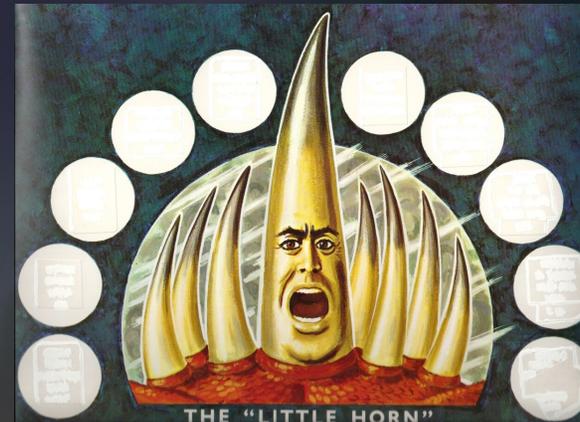
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- Shall Subdue three kings (v. 24)
 - Emperor Justinian's "holy" wars
 - *Heruli*
 - *Vandals (Vandalic War 533–534)*
 - *Ostrogoths*



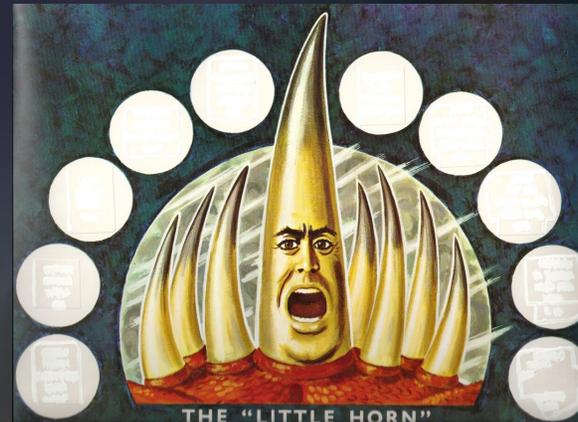
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- Eyes of a Man (v. 8)
 - A symbol of intelligence and wisdom
 - *For the beast, this is not wisdom from God, but wisdom of man*
 - *The Dark Ages*
 - *A case of The literate vs the Illiterate*



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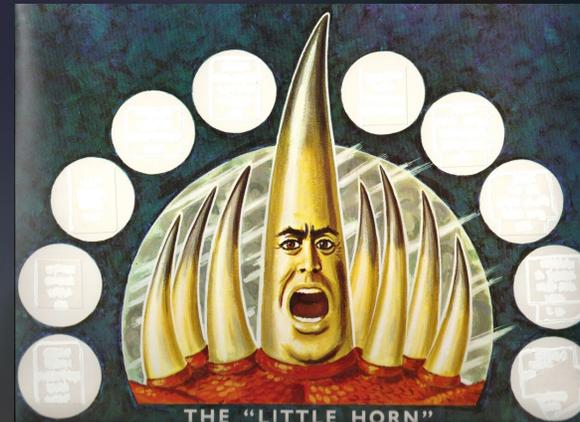
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- Speak Pompous Words (v. 25)
 - “We [the popes] hold upon this earth the place of God Almighty.”

(The Great Encyclical Letter of Pope Leo the XIII (New York, NY: Benziger Brothers, 1903) p. 304.)



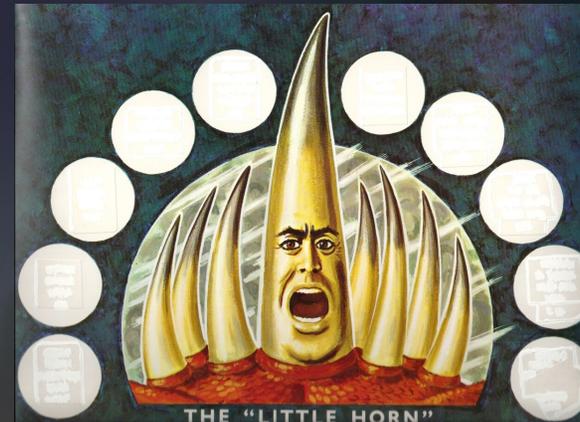
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- Shall persecute the Saints of the Most High (v. 25)
 - *The persecution of those “non-Christians”*
 - *The Spanish Inquisition*
 - *The Persecution of the Waldensian*
 - *The Dutch*
 - *The Saint Bartholomew Massacre*



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Identifying The Little Horn of Destruction

- “The pope can modify divine law, since his power is not of man, but of God, and he acts in the place of God upon earth, with the fullest power of binding and loosing his sheep.”

(Lucius Ferraris, Prompia Bibliotheca, Vol. VIII, art. Papa, II.)

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Roman Catholic Version

1. I am the Lord thy God...Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.
2. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.
3. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy.
4. Honor thy father and thy mother.
5. Thou shalt not kill.
6. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
7. Thou shalt not steal.
8. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
9. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife.
10. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house.

Protestant (Biblical) Version

- I am the Lord thy God...Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.
- Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them.
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- Thou shalt not covet.

Daniel 7: The Beasts Explained

Identifying The Little Horn of Destruction

- It is well to remind the Presbyterians, Baptists, Methodists, and all other Christians, that the Bible does not support them anywhere in their observance of Sunday. Sunday is an institution of the Roman Catholic Church, and those who observe the day observe a commandment of the Catholic Church.

—Priest Brady, in an address, reported in the Elizabeth, NJ 'News' on March 18, 1903.

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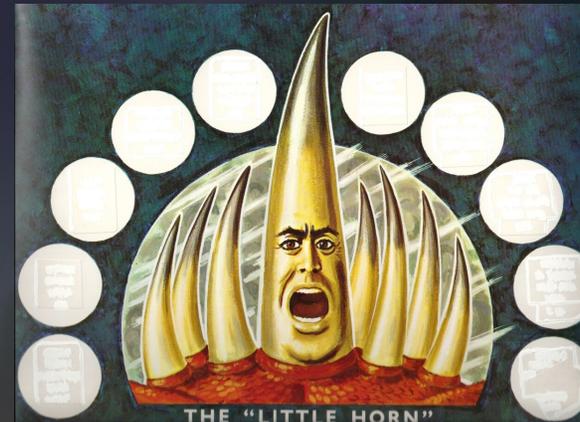
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Identifying The Little Horn of Destruction

- Time, Times and Half of Time (v. 25)
 - A time in Daniel?
 - They shall drive you from men, your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field, and they shall make you eat grass like oxen. They shall wet you with the dew of heaven, and seven times shall pass over you, till you know that the Most High rules in the kingdom of men, and gives it to whomever He chooses. (4:25)
 - A time in Ezekiel
 - And when you have completed them, lie again on your right side; then you shall bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days. I have laid on you a day for each year. (4:6)

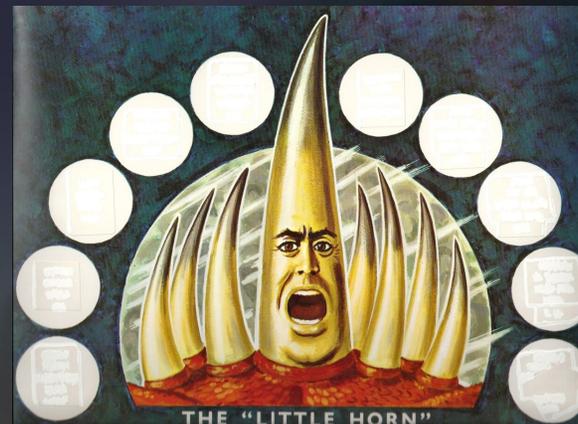


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Identifying The Little Horn of Destruction

- Time, Times and Half of Time (v. 25)
 - A time in Numbers
 - According to the number of the days in which you spied out the land, forty days, for each day you shall bear your guilt one year, *namely* forty years, and you shall know My rejection. (14:34)



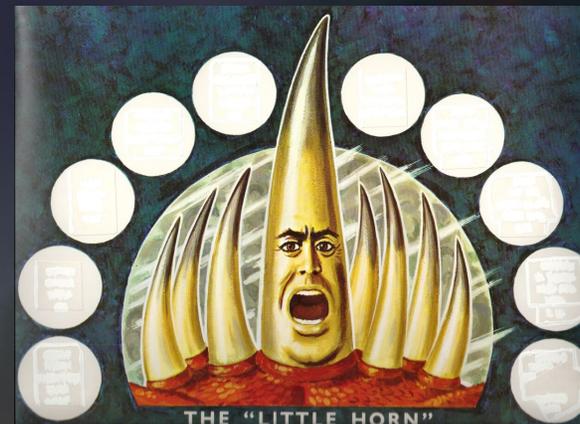
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Identifying The Little Horn of Destruction

- Time, Times and Half of Time (v. 25)
 - How long?
 - 1260 Days
 - How do we get this number?
 - According to Gen 7:11, when did the flood begin? **2nd Month Day 17**
 - According to Gen 8:4, when did the flood waters decrease? **7th Month Day 17**
 - How many months between these two? **5 Months**
 - According to Gen 8:3, how many days did the flood waters cover the earth between these months? **150 Days**

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Identifying The Little Horn of Destruction

- Time, Times and Half of Time (v. 25)
 - How long?
 - 1260 Days
 - How do we get this number?
 - According to this Genesis account, how many days are in each month? $150 / 5 = 30$
 - How many days are in a Biblical year? $30 \times 12 = 360$



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Identifying The Little Horn of Destruction

- Time, Times and Half of Time (v. 25)
 - How long?
 - 1260 Days
 - How do we get this number?
 - Time, Times, and Half of Time
 - $360 + 720 + 180 = 1260$



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3½ Years occurs 5X's in Revelation!

Clustered together in 3 consecutive chapters at Rev 11, 12 & 13!

$$3\frac{1}{2} \text{ Years} \times 2 = 7$$

42 Months	Rev 11:2	"trample the holy city for 42 months "
1,260 Days	Rev 11:3	2 Witnesses "prophesy for 1,260 days clothed in sackcloth."
1,260 Days	Rev 12:6	"woman fled into the wilderness, where she has a place prepared by God, in which she is to be nourished for 1,260 days ."
Time, times & a ½ time	Rev 12:14	"the woman was given the 2 wings of the great eagle so that she might fly from the serpent into the wilderness, to the place where she is to be nourished for a time, & times, & half a time ."
42 Months	Rev 13:5,7	"beast... exercise authority for 42 months ." "allowed to make war on the saints & to conquer them."

Don't be Confused!

Its all the same amount of time expressed in different ways!

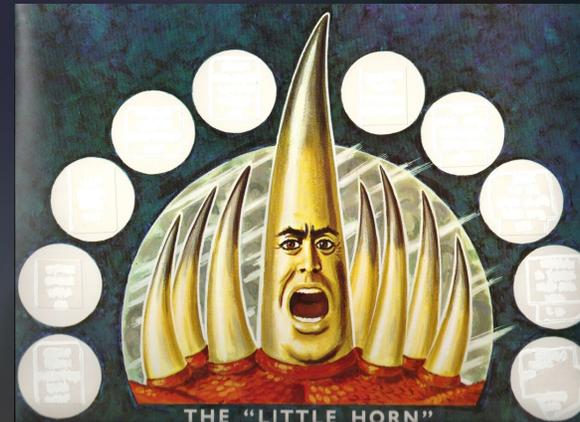
3½ Years = 42 Months = 1,260 Days = Time Times & ½ a Time.

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- Time, Times and Half of Time (v. 25)
 - The Papacy came into power in 538 A.D. When we add 1,260 years to 538 A.D., we arrive at 1798 A.D. History refers to this time period as the period of Papal Supremacy.



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But...

the court shall be seated, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and destroy *it* forever. ²⁷ Then the kingdom and dominion and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people, the saints of the Most High. His kingdom *is* an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey Him.' ²⁸ "This *is* the end of the account. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts greatly troubled me, and my countenance changed; but I kept the matter in my heart."

Daniel 7:26-28



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But...

Though the Saints of the Most High will be persecuted for a time, the saints of the Most High shall receive the kingdom, and possess the kingdom forever, even forever and ever.'

Daniel 7:18



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Daniel 7: The King of Heaven Explained

So...

The prophecy has been given to

- Prepare not to lead to despair.
- Provide certainty over insanity

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So...

- the Lord who has made us his people will surely keep us through the worst we have to face.
- We know of the Son of Man, who is at the same time the Head and Shepherd of the fellowship. The shepherd sees the lion coming, and the bear, and the leopard, and the Fourth Beast, and does not flee.

Walter Luthi



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