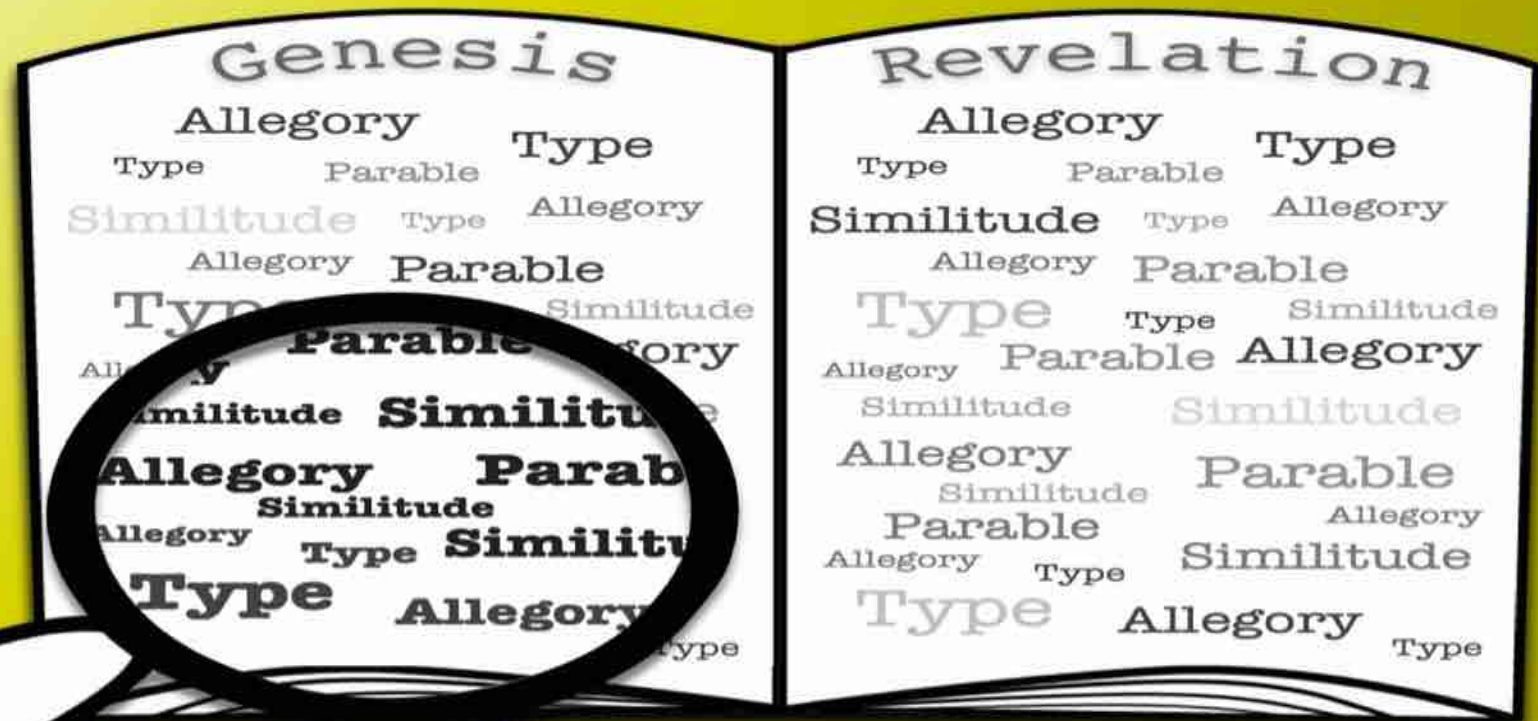


Reasoning out of the Scriptures

by Allegory and Type



the book of Daniel ch 1-5

Literal Babylon. Mystical Rome—*Daniel: Judgment of El*

- ❑ “... this prophecy against the Chaldean Babylon, though having its own special fulfilment, which commenced in the time of Cyrus, and Belshatzar, the Lucifer of Isa. 14:12, *was typical of the fall of the Roman Babylon; so that the language descriptive of the judgment of the ancient city and state, becomes the key of the figurative expressions in the Apocalyptic prophecy.* I conclude, therefore, that it will be with the **ROMAN BABYLON** as with the Chaldean; and that ‘her day, or time,’ of judgment will come ‘suddenly,’ ‘as a thief in the night’...”—Vol 5, pg 290-291
- ❑ “When the Eternal Spirit decreed their overthrow, the epoch of judgment upon each, was styled ‘the Day of Yahweh.’ There have been as many such days as there have been powers destroyed. *There was a day of Yahweh on Babylon predicted in as highly metaphorical a style as the Day of the Lamb's wrath in this Seal.* In Isa. 13, the conquest by the Medes and Persians is styled, ‘the Day of Yahweh coming as a destruction from Shaddai... to lay the land (of Chaldea) desolate...’—Vol 2 pg 279 (Vol 5, pg 166-167, 183)

Dan 1:1 In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah came Nebuchadnezzar *king of Babylon* unto *Jerusalem*, and besieged it. **Dan 5:18; Jud 2:14; 3:8; 4:2; Psa 106:41*

Dan 1:2 And the Lord **gave* Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, with *part of the vessels* of the *house* of God: which *he carried into the land of Shinar to the house of his god; and he brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god.*

Removal of TRUTH from Jerusalem to IDOLATRY of Babylon

- Jerusalem—called the “City of Truth” (Zec 8:3)
- Babylon—called great city “Mother of Harlots” (Rev 17:5)

House of his god—emphasis of POLITICAL prophecy is often preferred over the RELIGIOUS. However, Daniel teaches the latter is the basis for the former; and the ecclesiastical AND political are inseparable.

Land of Shinar—*Strong’s “land of two rivers.” Where two powers join. “(Nimrod) the beginning of his kingdom was Babel... in the land of Shinar” Gen 10:8-10. The place of religious language filled with confusion! *First time “kingdom” is used (Gen 10:10)*

Vessels—spiritual context, rep. men containing doctrinal content:

2Cor 4:7 “We have this treasure in earthen vessels...”

Act 9:15 “(Paul) is a chosen vessel unto me, to bear my name before the Gentiles...”

2Tim 2:20 “In a GREAT HOUSE there are not only vessels of gold and of silver, but also of wood and of earth; and some to honour, and some to dishonour”

- **The intent of the Babylonian is to make the servants of God the servants of Babylon. Remember, here is where the prophecy begins.**

House—center of worship, ecclesia; the foundation of the Truth. The place where Yahweh establishes His Name (2Chr 6:33; Jer 7:10; 34:15).

1Tim 3:15 “But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth”

(Rom 16:5; 1Cor 16:19; Col 4:15)

1Tim 3:4-5 “If a man know not how to rule his own house, how shall he take care of the church of God?”

Dan 1:3 And the king spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his ***EUNUCHS**, that he should bring *certain* of the children of Israel, *and of the king's seed*, and of the princes; ***7x in Daniel**
(object: to cut off the king's seed—discontinue throne)

Dan 1:4 Children in whom *was* no blemish, but well favoured, and skilful in all wisdom, and cunning in knowledge, and understanding science, and such as *had* ability in them to stand in the king's palace, and *whom they might teach the learning and the tongue* of the Chaldeans.
(Eunuchs—Catholic priests celibacy 2Kin 9:32)

Tongue—“Latin” is the official tongue of the Catholic Church, NEITHER Heb. or Grk. It reps. unscriptural, Babylonian language: *purgatory, trinity, immaculate conception, immortal soul, Holy Mother Mary.*

The judgment upon Israel came by Rome—a nation “whose tongue thou shalt not understand” (Deu 28:49; Jer 5:15; Eze 3:6)

Gen 11:9 “Therefore is the name of it called BABEL; *because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth*” (1Cor 14:21)

Daniel written in Hebrew (1:1-2:3), then Aramaic (2:4-7), returns to Hebrew (8-12)

Dan 1:5 And the king appointed them a daily provision of *the king's meat, and of the wine which he drank*: so nourishing them THREE YEARS, that at the end thereof they might stand before the king. *(Daniel refused v.8 false fellowship)*

King's Meat, Wine—false doctrine/fellowship, represented by “meat” and “wine” of Catholic doctrine, especially regarding the sacrifice of Christ: substitution and transubstantiation (flesh/blood).

❑ “The duty of interpreting God's *word...whether the word is in Scriptural form or not*, has been entrusted exclusively to the teaching office of the Church.” —*CATHOLIC BELIEF AND PRACTICE PG 88*

1Pet 4:11 “If any man speak, *let him speak as the oracles of God*”

Dan 1:7 Unto whom the prince of the eunuchs *GAVE NAMES: for he gave unto Daniel *the name* of Belteshazzar; and to Hananiah, of Shadrach; and to Mishael, of Meshach; and to Azariah, of Abednego. *Catholic churches, shrines named: patron saints

Names—“after the names” of Babylon’s deities (Dan 4:8; Isa 46:1; Jer 50:2)

Dan 1:11 Then said Daniel to Melzar, whom the prince of the eunuchs had set over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, ***“eunuch” faithful to the kingdom—Mat 19:12***

Dan 1:12 *Prove thy servants, I beseech thee, TEN DAYS; and let them give us pulse to eat, and water to drink.*

Pulse—RSV, NIV “VEGETABLES.” LXX has “seeds.” Strong’s “SOMETHING SOWN.” Food of that which is grown from “the seed.”

“Wheat, barley, flour, corn, beans, lentils, pulse” (2Sam 17:28)!

Mat 13:3-19 “Behold, a sower went forth to sow; and when he sowed, some SEEDS fell... Hear ye therefore THE PARABLE of the sower. When any one *heareth* THE WORD OF THE KINGDOM”

Mat 13:31 “The KINGDOM OF HEAVEN is like to a grain of mustard seed, which a man took, and sowed in his field”

1Pet 1:23 “Born again, not of corruptible seed, but of *incorruptible*, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever”

Water—described as the “Word” (Eph 5:25-26); a necessary element by which “the seed of the kingdom” nurtures and grows.⁶

Ten Days—faithfulness in trial; “that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days; *be thou faithful unto death*, and I will give thee a crown of life” (Rev 2:10; Gen 31:7; Num 14:22).

Dan 1:15 And at the end of ten days *their countenances appeared fairer and fatter in flesh* THAN ALL THE CHILDREN WHICH DID EAT THE PORTION OF THE KING'S MEAT.

Fairer, Fatter—better, healthier (by means of a scriptural diet)!

Than all the children which did eat the portion—implies contemporaries, or young Jews who compromised the Truth because of Babylon’s power and influence. Not prepared to stand apart.

- During the Inquisitions, for example, the Catholic church inflicted enormous persecutions on thousands of Jews. Because of the slaughter, many Jews converted to Catholicism. **see end notes*

☐ “She is not the child of the Bible, as many non-Catholics imagine, but its mother. *She derives neither her existence nor her teaching authority from the New Testament.* She had both before the New Testament was born” —*Faith of Millions pg 176*

Dan 1:17 *As for these four children, God gave them knowledge and skill in all learning and wisdom: and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.*

Dan 1:18 Now at THE END OF THE DAYS that the king had said he should bring them in, then the prince of the eunuchs brought them in before Nebuchadnezzar.

Dan 1:19 And the king communed with them; and *among them all was found none like Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah:* therefore stood they before the king.

Dan 1:20 And in all matters of wisdom *and* understanding, that the king enquired of them, *he found them ten times better than all the magicians and astrologers that were in all his realm.*

God gave them knowledge—Daniel and his friends were skilled in Babylon because they ate the “seed.” The Truth enlightens to “the mystery” of the Kingdom (Mat 13:11) and Iniquity, or Babylon (2The 2:7; Rev 17:5). *To understand/love Truth is to understand/despise Error.*

Skill in all learning and wisdom—it is not a preference or option, but critical brethren in Christ be well educated in Babylonian Rome.

Rev 13:18 “Here is wisdom. *Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six*” (Rev 17:9)

Rev 1:3 “*Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein*”

Rev 22:7 “Behold, I come quickly: *blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book*”

- The upright anguish by not understanding the revealed Word (Dan 8:27), and therefore strive to comprehend Scripture (Dan 9:2; 7:19).

Dan 1:21 And Daniel *continued even* unto the first year of king Cyrus.

Continued—rep. faithful saints enduring the time of Babylonian false religion and remain steadfast until the Silver Kingdom of redemption (Ezra 1:1-10). *Gold: faith under trial. Silver: redemption (Exo 30:15; 38:25)*

Cyrus—Type of the Lord Jesus Christ

- Restored Yahweh's House (Ezr 1:1-3)
- Called Yahweh's "shepherd" (Isa 44:28).
- Called Yahweh's "anointed whose right hand God has holden" (Isa 45:1-2).
- His army is called "the sanctified ones" and "mighty ones" (Isa 13:3,17).
- His kingdom represented by Silver—redemption (Dan 2).
- He brought down the Babylonian System (Isa 13; Dan 5).

☐ "Cyrus, whose Hebrew name *Choresch*...signifies *Like the Heir*, was, as his name was intended to express, the type of Christ in the execution of his mission against 'the Great City Babylon' of the latter days. Yahweh's sanctified ones, the Medes and Persians, under Cyrus, were also typical of the saints, who with Christ Jesus 'the Heir of all things,' and 'joint heirs with him,' at the head of the armies of Israel, are to enter the Great City when 'the great river Euphrates,' in a political sense, shall be sufficiently 'dried up' to admit of their passage through into the Roman House of the kingdom of men..." *Eureka, Vol 3, pg 287 (Vol 2, pg 97-98)*

Dan 2:1 And in the second year of the reign...

Nebuchadnezzar *dreamed dreams*, wherewith his spirit was troubled, and *his sleep brake from him*.

Dreams—the Babylonian King, again brings this system directly into the religious realm as dreams are a divine testimony of Scripture. A false prophet and teacher alters them (Deu 13; Num 12:6; Jer 5; 23; Eze 13; 2Pet 2:1; Rev 2:20; 16:13; 19:20). This is exactly what the king does; making the kingdom about Babylon (Dan 3:1). **Warning Jer 23:28**

Dan 2:2 The king commanded to call *the magicians, and the astrologers, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans*, for to shew the king his dreams... (*science, religion, financial, political*)

Dan 2:10 The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said, *There is not a man upon the earth that can shew the king's matter: therefore there is no king, lord, nor ruler, that asked such things at any magician, or astrologer, or Chaldean.*

Prophetic signs—only for God's servants (Rev 1:1). Scriptural language "destroys the wisdom" of this world (1Cor 1:18-26). **See Class 1 & 2**

Dan 2:19 Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel in a *night vision*. Then Daniel blessed THE GOD OF HEAVEN.

Dan 2:20 Daniel answered and said, Blessed be THE NAME OF GOD for ever and ever: *for wisdom and might are HIS:*

Dan 2:21 And HE changeth the times and the seasons: HE removeth kings, and setteth up kings: HE *giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know*

understanding: (1) Yahweh gives knowledge (2) establishes powers

Dan 2:22 HE *revealeth the deep and secret things: he knoweth what is in the darkness, and the LIGHT dwelleth with him.*

God of Heaven—Daniel made clear Who revealed it to him (v.16-18): “not revealed to me for *any* wisdom that I have more than any living” (v.30). He went on to reveal to the Babylonian King: “the GOD OF HEAVEN will set up a Kingdom, which shall never be destroyed; and the Kingdom not left to other people” (v.44)

Deep, Secret things. Light dwelleth with Him—2Pet 1:19 prophecy is “a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn...”

Dan 2:46 Then *the king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped Daniel*, and commanded that they should offer an oblation and sweet odours unto him.

Dan 2:47 The king answered unto Daniel, and said, Of a truth *it is*, that your God *is* a God of gods, and a Lord of kings, and A REVEALER OF SECRETS, *seeing thou couldst reveal this secret.* “**deceivable of righteousness**”—2The 2:10

Dan 2:48 Then *the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise men of Babylon.* **First Daniel, then his friends**

Dan 2:49 Then Daniel requested of the king, and *he set Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, over the affairs of the province of Babylon: but Daniel sat in the gate of the king.*

- The literal is an enacted prophecy: the symbolic fall of Babylon before Christ, and exaltation of the enlightened saints.

Israel (the Jews) are the reference point to interpret Bible prophecy

Dan 3:1 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. **First Christ (Dan 1-2), brethren (Dan 3) Christ (Dan 5)**

Rev 13:15 and Rev 15:2 speak expressly of those who “worship the image of the beast” – **worship of idols is literal Catholic practice**
Image of Gold—political power becomes religious! God proclaimed the “kingdom” was the future reign of Christ destroying all others, while Rome erected “an image” that made the “kingdom” their own forever!

□ “Augustine was the first who ventured to teach that the Catholic Church, in its empirical form, was the Kingdom of Christ, that the millennial kingdom had commenced with the appearing of Christ, and was therefore an accomplished fact.” *Encyclopedia Britannica*

○ Catholicism admits Israel constituted the Kingdom of God, but maintains it has been replaced with the Roman Church.

The Kingdom is ‘the’ subject in Daniel. Appearing 50+ times.

Sixty cubits high, Six Cubits wide—worship devised by flesh (Rev 13:18)

Dan 3:2 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.*

Rev 17:2 “... with whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication”



Delegations from 132 countries attended the inauguration of Pope Francis' at the Vatican March, 2013.



AP (3/15/01) “...the Holy See's unique and influential status at the United Nations. As a non-member state with **PERMANENT OBSERVER STATUS**, the Vatican enjoys many of the same rights and privileges as the 188 countries that are full-fledged U.N. members.”

Dan 3:3 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.* *ALL SOCIETAL AREAS

Set Up—the dreadful “fourth beast” (Dan 7) turned religious and could not be likened to anything Yahweh created. Wholly man-made.

Governors—the Papacy used the civil arm for persecution (Satan/Devil)

2The 2:4 “Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God”

Dedication—feminine gender. (bride, harlot). It reps. a religious, ecclesiastical ceremony requiring “worship” (Dan 3:5,10,12,14,15,18,28)

☐ “When the pope speaks we have no business to examine. We have only to obey. We have no right to criticize his decisions or discuss his commands”—Watchmen! What of the Night?

Dan 3:4 Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is COMMANDED,
O people, nations, and languages, *6 instruments, *fleshly emotion*

Dan 3:5 *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:

Commaneded—Roman obedience is based upon papal authority:

❑ **Pope Leo XIII said of himself in 1890:** “The supreme *teacher* in the Church is the Roman Pontiff. Union of minds, therefore, requires... complete submission and obedience of will to the Church and to the Roman Pontiff, as to God himself.”

Fall down and worship—religious submission to Rome imposed, by partially taking elements of Dan 2 (gold) to enforce worship.

People, Nations, Languages—Rev 17:15 “The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are *peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues*” (*Catholic: “universal”*)

Golden Image—this phrase is used SIX TIMES. The Apocalyptic Babylon is “decked with gold” (17:4): St. Peter’s in Rome.

Dan 3:6 And whoso **falleth not down* and worshipping shall the same hour be cast into the midst of *a burning fiery furnace*. ***used for idolatrous worship (Isa 44:15-17)**

Fire—reps. the perfecting of faith by trial. This trial is for the purging of the faithful remnant, not those who compromise.

1Pet 4:12 “Think it not strange concerning *the fiery trial which is to try you*, as though some strange thing happened unto you”

Dan 3:8 Wherefore at that time certain Chaldeans came near, and *accused *the Jews*. ***this religion specifically marked**

□ “...in Vatican thinking, the stronger Israel became, the stronger would be the ambitions of world Zionism... Because of this, the Vatican could not and would not tolerate the establishment of an Israel which claimed messianic privileges, or rather, messianic uniqueness and which, therefore, would compete with the *Roman Catholic Church as the centre of a future spiritual kingdom...*”

The Vatican Moscow Washington Alliance, A. Manhattan 18

Dan 3:12 *There are certain Jews whom thou hast set over the affairs of the province of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego; these men, O king, have not regarded thee: they serve not thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou HAST SET UP.*

- Prominent Jews have been etched into History, with many serving in very high social, economic and political positions which has ignited persecution, such as the Holocaust (Pius XII).

Certain Jews—sadly, not all the Jews or protestants maintained remained faithful. Only a “remnant” (Neh 1:3; Isa 11:11; Jer 23:3).

Rev 20:4 *“I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years”*

Filled with fury, Nebuchadnezzar challenged the three men: “who is that God that shall deliver you out of my hands?” (v.15)

Dan 3:16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, *we are not careful to answer thee in this matter.*

Dan 3:17 If it be so, *our God whom we serve* is able to deliver us from the burning FIERY FURNACE, and he will deliver *us* out of thine hand, O king.

Dan 3:18 **BUT IF NOT**, be it known unto thee, O king, that *we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou HAST *SET UP.* ***8TH AND FINAL TIME THIS PHRASE IT APPEARS**

Fiery Furnace—the ultimate condemnation against Jew or Protestant Bible placed on Index of 'Forbidden Books' (1559).



Left: William Tyndale
Right: Burning Bibles
*Burning by fire was the strongest Catholic punishment. Bibles that could be read by the common man were burned*²⁰

Dan 3:19 Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego: *therefore* he spake, and commanded that they should heat the FURNACE one ***SEVEN TIMES** *more than it was wont to be heated.* ***significant prophetic phrase**

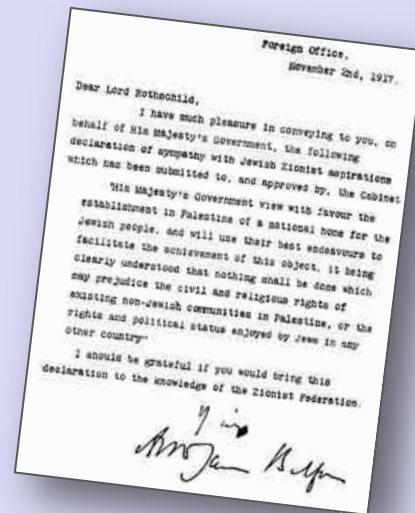
Seven Times—a phrase representing purification by trial.

Aaron sprinkled “seven times” to purify sin (Lev 4:6; 16:14); Naaman dipped “seven times” in Jordan to cleanse leprosy (2Kin 5:10); and the Jews to be punished “seven times” for their sins (Lev 26:18)

Dan 4:14-17 He cried aloud, and said thus, Hew down the tree...Nevertheless leave the stump of his roots in the earth, *even with a band of iron and brass*...Let his heart be changed from man's, and let a beast's heart be given unto him; and **LET SEVEN TIMES** PASS OVER HIM. This matter *is* by the decree of the watchers, and the demand by the word of the holy ones: *to the intent that the living may know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men*...

“A ‘time’ in Jewish reckoning is a year of 360 days. Seven times this number represents 2520 days; and on a prophetic reckoning of a day for a year (Eze 4:6), seven times represents 2520 years.

Nebuchadnezzar besieged Jerusalem in the years 606-603 B.C. so that 2520 years from then would terminate in the years 1914-1917. In 1917 the Turks were driven from Jerusalem and the Jews invited to return and establish a national home therein” —
Daniel Expositor, pg 100.



At the end
of Seven
Times:
declaration
that the
Most High
Rules in the
Kingdom of
Men!

“The times allotted for the duration of the kingdom of men are seven symbolic times (Dan 4). This long period of 2,520 years is called by Jesus ‘the times of the Gentiles.’ ‘A day for a year’ is a rule to which all prophetic times are reducible. In seven times, which are less than seven years, we have 2,520 days” —Bro. Thomas (Day for a year: Num 14:34; Gen 29:20-30; Eze 4:6).

Dan 3:22 Therefore because the king's commandment was urgent, and *the furnace exceeding hot*, the flame of *the fire slew those men that took up* Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. *(furnace used 10 times for purifying faith: Rev 2:10)*

Isa 48:9-11 “For my name's sake will I defer mine anger, and for my praise will I refrain for thee... I have refined thee, but not with silver; *I have chosen thee in the furnace of affliction*. For mine own sake, even for mine own sake, will I do it”

(“tested you in the furnace of affliction”)

Fire Slew Those Men—Israel was delivered to “the worst of the heathen” (Eze 7:24), as Yahweh “punished the circumcised with the uncircumcised” (Jer 9:25). However, Yahweh judged Babylon because they said: “We offend not because they have sinned against the LORD” and “Because ye were glad, because ye rejoiced, O ye destroyers of mine heritage” (Jer 50:7). This is EXACTLY the position of the Roman Catholic Church; justifying their persecution of the Jews because they rejected the Messiah (Isa 10:7-12)

Dan 3:24 Then Nebuchadnezzar the king was astonished, and rose up in haste, *and* spake, and said unto his counsellors, Did not we cast three men bound into the midst of the fire? They answered and said unto the king, True, O king.

Dan 3:25 He answered and said, Lo, I SEE FOUR MEN LOOSE, walking in the midst of the fire, *and they have no hurt; and the form of the fourth is LIKE THE SON OF GOD.*

Four men—Israel/brethren in the “furnace” hasn’t been without Providential oversight of the one “like the son of God” (Mat 28:18)

Eze 11:16-17 “Although I have scattered them among the countries, yet will I be to them as a little sanctuary in the countries where they shall come...” (Israel not utterly destroyed Jer 30:11)

Isa 43:1-2 “Thus saith the LORD that created thee, O Jacob, and he that formed thee, O Israel, Fear not: for I have redeemed thee, I have called thee by thy name; thou art mine... when thou walkest through the fire, thou shalt not be burned; neither shall the flame kindle upon thee”

(Zec 13:9 refining in the future)

Dan 3:28 *Then* Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed *be* the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might NOT SERVE NOR WORSHIP ANY GOD, EXCEPT THEIR OWN GOD.

Dan 3:29 Therefore I make a decree, That *every people, nation, and language*, which speak any thing amiss against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, shall be cut in pieces, and their houses shall be made a dunghill: *because there is no other God that can deliver after this sort.*

Dan 3:30 *THEN THE KING PROMOTED Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, in the province of Babylon. *enacted prophecy

There is no other God—in this prophetic parable the end of the “seven times” brings restoration/promotion of the Jews and renown of their “God” as “sign” to all “peoples, nations and languages” (Eze 36; Isa 2).

Promoted—first Daniel (Dan 2), now his faithful brethren (Dan 3).²⁵

Dan 4:14 ...Hew down the TREE, and cut off his branches, shake off his leaves, and scatter his fruit: let the beasts get away from under it, and the fowls from his branches:

Dan 4:15 Nevertheless *leave the stump of his roots in the earth, even with a band of iron and brass...*

Iron and Brass—Only enlightened saints given understanding (v.1-27)

“Babylonish Pagan Rome became Babylonish Papal Rome. In 1054, however, the Great Schism took place, and so-called Christianity was divided between the Roman and Greek Catholic Churches. THE INFLUENCE OF BABYLON REMAINED, PROTECTED BY ITS BAND OF IRON (ROME) AND BRASS (GREECE)”—HPM Roman Catholic/Greek Orthodox

Right: National Geographic, 1983



Dan 4:31 *While the word was in the king's mouth, there fell a voice from heaven, saying, O king Nebuchadnezzar, to thee it is spoken; The kingdom is departed from thee.*

Dan 4:32 *And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.*



1,000 years: Greek Orthodox Church
Bartholomew and Pope Francis' met to reconcile the Great Schism of 1054. (2014) *Headline: "Pope and Patriarch prepare for historic encounter in Jerusalem"*

The Judgment Of Babylon—The Harlot Has Fallen, Fallen

Dan 5:1 Belshazzar the king made a great feast to A THOUSAND of his lords, and *drank wine* before the thousand.

Dan 5:2 Belshazzar, while he tasted the wine, commanded *to bring the golden and silver vessels which his father Nebuchadnezzar had TAKEN OUT OF THE TEMPLE WHICH WAS IN JERUSALEM*; that the king, and his princes, his wives, and his concubines, *might drink therein*.

Thousand—reps. a multitude of generations (Psa 105:8; Ecc 7:28; Isa 60:22), corrupted by Mystical Babylon.

Vessels—the saints corrupted (2Tim 2:20), which belong to Yahweh.

Taken out of temple in Jerusalem—corrupting the Hope of Israel.

Drink Therein—for this action Babylon is Judged by Yahweh. The world is one thing; the saints are another.

- Rev 14:8 “*Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, BECAUSE SHE MADE ALL NATIONS DRINK OF THE WINE OF THE WRATH OF HER FORNICATION*”

Dan 5:4 They *drank wine*, and *praised the gods* of gold, and of silver, of brass, of iron, of wood, and of stone.

Dan 5:5 In the same hour came forth *fingers of a man's hand*, and wrote *over against the candlestick* upon the *plaister of the wall* of the king's palace: and the king saw the part of the hand that wrote.

Praised the gods—the system of Babylon brought and deposited idolatry and pagan worship into Yahweh's Truth.

Candlestick—the Ecclesia rightly understands Babylon's fate.

Rev 1:20 “The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches”

- Fed by the “olive oil” supplied by Yahweh's people (Lev 24:1-4), the “lampstand” is illuminated only by the Word of Truth (Pro 6:23; Psa 119:105).

Finger-Plaister—how the Law was etched, rep. the unalterable testimony of God (Exo 31:18; Deu 27:1-3). As the “pillar and ground of the Truth,” this is the duty of the ecclesia (1Tim 3:15).

Dan 5:7 The king cried aloud to bring *in the astrologers, the Chaldeans, and the soothsayers...*

Dan 5:8 Then came in *all the king's wise men: but they could not read the writing, nor make known to the king the interpretation thereof.*

Interpretation—once again, the “wise men” of this world know not how to comprehend Divine revelation (Pro 2:1-9; 8:17; Mat 7:7).

Dan 5:23 (Thou) *hast lifted up thyself against the Lord of heaven; and they have brought the vessels of his house before thee, and thou, and thy lords, thy wives, and thy concubines, have drunk wine in them...and the God in whose hand thy breath is, and whose are all thy ways, HAST THOU NOT GLORIFIED: The only purpose to which saints are called*

When Daniel is brought before the Babylonian King, he tells him WHY judgment has come upon him: corruption of the Lord of Heaven, Whose vessels he has filled with Roman wine!

Dan 5:26 This *is* the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath **NUMBERED** *thy kingdom*, and FINISHED IT.

Dan 5:27 TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting. (Rev 19:2; 16:5-6; 17:1-2; 18:9 Judgment of Harlot)

Dan 5:28 PERES; *Thy kingdom* is divided, and GIVEN TO THE MEDES AND PERSIANS.

☐ “The overthrow of historic Babylon provides the type for the overthrow of spiritual Babylon.” HPM, Expositor

Numbered—Babylon reigned 70 years (2Chr 36:21-23; Jer 25:10; Dan 9:2): number of mortal man (Psa 90:10) & Gentile Nations (Exo 15:27; Luk 10:1)

☐ “A similar fate awaits the Roman House that in the days of Belshazzar befell the Chaldean House of this same kingdom of men...Yahweh's Messiah and Shepherd—Cyrus the Persian, besieged the Shinar House. He dried up ‘the great river Euphrates’ from the city; and marching their ‘sanctified ones’ along its bed, captured the House of the Kingdom, and slew Lucifer, the Son of the Morning (Isa. 13:3,17; 14:12; 44:28; 45:1; Dan. 5:30)...But in these things that were transacted against the original Babylon, there was a mystery. *Eureka, Vol 3, pg 287* ³¹

Dan 5:29 Then commanded Belshazzar, and they clothed Daniel with scarlet, and *put* a chain of gold about his neck, and made a proclamation concerning him, that he should be the third ruler in the kingdom.

Dan 5:30 IN THAT NIGHT WAS BELSHAZZAR THE KING OF THE CHALDEANS SLAIN. **(again, fall of Babylon, saints exalted)**

Dan 5:31 And Darius the Median TOOK THE KINGDOM, *being* about threescore and two years old. **(Dan 9:26)**

Has the Roman-Babylonian wine corrupted brethren?

❑ Pope John Paul II in 1996: “the theories of evolution are sound as long as they accept that creation was God's work”—AP (10/25/96).

➤ **Christadelphians and “Theistic Evolution”?**

➤ **Our New Hymn Book (309) reads “See all worldly idols falling”
Our older Hymn Books read “papal” idols...**

Rev 14:4 “THESE ARE THEY WHICH WERE NOT DEFILED WITH WOMEN; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. THESE WERE REDEEMED FROM AMONG MEN, *being* the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb”

1Pe 5:13 The *church that is AT BABYLON*, elected together with *you*, saluteth you; and so *doth* Marcus my son.

Strong's Concordance—"Allegorically, of Rome as the most corrupt seat of idolatry and the enemy of Christianity" (Strong's #897)

Rev 17:5 Strong's "'Babylon' i.e. Rome, the chief seat of idolatry"

"(the Papacy) is nothing else than the kingdom of Babylon and of very Antichrist...For who is the man of sin and the son of perdition, but he who by his teaching and his ordinances increases the sin and perdition of souls in the church, while he yet sits in the church as if he were God? All these conditions have now for many ages been fulfilled by the papal tyranny." (1520) Martin Luther (Tyndale, Wesley, Wycliffe, Knox)

- The Bible Almanac, pg 687 reads: "Most scholars believe the references in First Peter 5:13; and Revelation 14:8; 18:2,10-21 are to Rome."



**On the
Babylonian
Captivity of
the Church**

Two systems of the Apocalypse: Truth and Counterfeit.

- Christ a **Lamb** (14:1)—Apostasy a **Lamb** with a **horn** (13:11)
- Christ rides **horse** (19:11)—Apostasy rides **beast** (17:3)
- Christ wears many **crowns** (19:12)—Apostasy the **same** (13:11)
- Saints worship **Lamb** (4-5)—Apostasy worship **beast** (13:4)
- Truth marked by “**seven**” (1:20)—Apostasy by “**six**” (13:18)
- Saints written in **forehead** (14:1)—Apostasy the **same** (13:16)
- City of Truth in **gold** (21)—Apostasy decked in **gold** (17:4)
- Truth redeems **multitudes** (5:9)—Apostasy rules **same** (17:15)
- Saints like unto **virgin** (14:4)—Apostasy like unto **harlot** (17:5)
- This is a “war in heaven” so-to-speak (12:7); the ecclesiastical battle between the Truth and the Apostasy. The latter is not only a perverted form of the Truth, but a persecuting power of it.
- Throughout the Word we find false heathen worship represented by offerings, priests and altars (Act 14:11-15)...etc. Though corrupt, the ecclesiastical system of error mirrors the true form of doctrine and worship.

Eze 1:10 “As for the likeness of their faces, they four had the face of A **MAN**, and the face of A **LION**, on the right side: and they four had the face of AN **OX** on the left side; they four also had the face of AN **EAGLE**”

- The very same features of the Cherubim—the Lion, Man, Ox, Eagle—are implemented in the great Babylonian Symbol of Power! (*Wings—transported Shinar—Zec 5*)



“And he brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god” — There is a remarkable similarity between the pagan rites of ancient Babylonish religion and those of the Papacy as Hislop notes in *The Two Babylons*. A further point of similarity is the reference to the “treasure house” of Bel. The Papacy also has its *Treasury* at Peter’s Cathedral in the Vatican, in which is stored some of the glittering wealth of the Roman Catholic Church. It, too, is “decked with gold and precious stones and pearls” (Rev. 17:4).

Gen 11:1-5 “And the whole earth was of *one language*, and of one speech... they found a plain in the land of Shinar; and they dwelt there. And they said one to another, Go to, let us make brick, and burn them throughly. And they had brick for stone, and slime had they for mortar. And they said, Go to, *let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven*; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth”



The European Parliament Building was erected in Strasbourg, France; the birthplace of Pieter Brueghal, the famous painter of the “Tower of Babel.” (2001 “The European Year of Languages”)

Numerous Papal Bulls/Encyclicals specifically targeted “the Jews”—

Honorius III (1218) Jews must wear identifying clothes (badges in 1221)

Gregory IX (1239) orders seizure of Talmud & other Jewish books, burned
Innocent IV (1244) French king ordered to burn Talmud; forbids Jews to employ Christian nurses.

Martin V (1425) obligates Jews to wear distinctive badges noting race

Eugene IV (1442) forbids Jews to fill public positions; eat, live or bathe with Christians

Sixtus IV (1482) appoints inquisitors to investigate heresy of Jewish converts

Pius V (1567) Jews forbidden to own real estate

The Crusades, Spanish Inquisition, the Holocaust, St. Bartholomew’s Massacre ...etc. (*Book: “The Popes Against The Jews”*). The papal resistance to acknowledge the Jewish homeland of Israel in 1948.

Pius V (1569) orders all Jews expelled from Papal States

Clement VIII (1593) Jews are forbidden to read Talmud

Benedict XIV (1751) order baptism of Jewish children

- *Accused of plagues, using magic, all rights revoked, with different restrictions placed on Jews in society.*

The Kingdom of Babylon, like Balaam (Num 22), acknowledges the Supreme power of Israel's God, even Yahweh. However, like Balaam, who "forsook the right way, having gone astray, loving the wages of unrighteousness" (2Pet 2:15), the system of Babylon makes no hesitation attempting to subvert the plan and purpose of Yahweh's establishment of His Kingdom.

- The evil of this "fourth beast" is in what it speaks! The teaching that goes forth corrupts mankind and makes it "diverse" from all other before it; for it's a religious-political power. It possessed "*a mouth that spake very great things*" (Dan 7:20); "*he shall speak great words against the Most High*" (7:25); and "*made war with the saints*" (7:21).