The KINGDOM of the **BEAR**¹

The Kingdom of Russia

⁵ And behold, another beast, a second one, resembling a bear. And it was raised up on one side, and three ribs *were* in its mouth between its teeth; and thus they said to it, 'Arise, devour much meat!'

ie second beast which arises after the lion, and indeed history has recorded it in the sequence as Daniel saw it. Today the world is very familiar with the nation whose symbol is the bear. It seems that Russia has a prophetic appointment with end-time events. When Jesus said in His Olivet Discourse that there shall be "wars and rumors of wars" (Mt. 24:6), there was no Russia, but today they are in the mix of all wars either by direct involvement or by proxy. The three bones in the bear's mouth would seem to represent all the death the bear has caused. Today Russia fits this prophetic picture.

The Bear as Russia

A bear is a modern-day symbol of Russia. When the Berlin Wall came down, modern-day Russia was reborn in 1991. However, it is really a rebirth of the Russian Soviet Federative Socialist Republic originally birthed in the October Revolution of 1917. Russia is well known for its ability to devour much flesh as leaders like Lenin and Stalin killed several million people. The bear is raised up on one side with three ribs in its mouth. These three ribs may be the nations the final end-time Russia will conquer in an attempt to gain back former Soviet republics that it once held, as it unites with the 4th beast. Remember the beast out of the sea of Revelation 13 is pictured with the feet of a bear.

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¹ https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Russian_Bear