## The MOUNTAIN THAT BECAME A KINGDOM

Starting in Daniel 2:9-14, Daniel saw in a vision the 6<sup>th</sup> kingdom, called the **DIVINE KINGDOM** of the Lord Jesus Christ. If you consider the kingdoms of Egypt and Assyria which came before Babylon then the Divine Kingdom would be the 8<sup>th</sup> and final kingdom. When Babylon conquered Judah and carried away its people, God's people no longer controlled the land or Jerusalem (what was left of it) the kingdoms of men did. It was at that point when it became the "TIMES OF THE GENTILES."

The Mountain: This Mountain starts out as a stone that strikes the feet of the Colossus statue and destroys all of them (ending the "Times of the Gentiles). We are told in Dan. 2:35, 44-45; Micah 4 that the mountain then fills the entire world.

The prophetic message of this, is that with the return of Jesus Christ also comes His Kingdom of Righteousness. Jesus will put an end to all wars, and peace will come to the entire world. No need for armies or instruments of war and of killing any longer.

<u>Note</u>: In Daniel 7 we find an eschatological precedence being set by which we see how a mountain (or hill), or even seven mountains (Revelation 13) can be a prophetic metaphor of a kingdom or many kingdoms.

## JUDGMENT FORSEEN

Daniel 7:9-14 (NASB), <sup>9</sup> "I kept looking Until thrones were set up, And the Ancient of Days took *His* seat; His vesture *was* like white snow And the hair of His head like pure wool. His throne *was* ablaze with flames, Its wheels *were* a burning fire. <sup>10</sup> "A river of fire was flowing And coming out from before Him; Thousands upon thousands were attending Him, And myriads upon myriads were standing before Him; The court sat, And the books were opened.



What Daniel saw was a glimpse into the future and the Great White Throne judgment. This is the only time when the books are opened and the court of heaven sits in judgment.

<sup>11</sup> Then I kept looking because of the sound of the boastful words which the horn was speaking; I kept looking until the beast was slain, and its body was destroyed and given to the burning fire. <sup>12</sup> As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but an extension of life was granted to them for an appointed period of time.



4th Piece of Evidence – After the Antichrist is Destroyed, The first three Kingdoms Still Exist.

AFTER the Antichrist Kingdom is destroyed by God, which we know to be at the Coming of Jesus at Armageddon, we see this verse v12 (above).

Daniel 7:12 KJV As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time.

The lion, bear, and leopard kingdoms must still exist during the reign of the Antichrist. This is what makes us look at modern nations to be considered rather than ancient Babylon, ancient Media/Persia, and ancient Greece. Babylon no longer exists as a nation. Media/Persia no longer exists. Greece exists but it is in an economic down-spiral. If being prolonged "for a season and time" applied to ancient Babylon, Media/Persia, and Greece, then all three would be prolonged for the same time, but two are gone thousands of years ago, and one remains. Therefore, this verse cannot apply to these ancient nations. It must apply to nations that exist during the time of the Antichrist's Kingdom all the way until the Coming of Jesus.

Daniel sees the ultimate end of the Antichrist and the False Prophet. These two are men in the flesh who have received an evil spirit (Rev.6:1). The first rider of the Apocalypse who is spirit goes out into the world and enters into a man and he becomes the Antichrist. The same is true for the False Prophet. In both cases their power is given them by the dragon. When you take all that away what you have left is the men with an eternal soul. The death of the Antichrist and False Prophet happens at Armageddon (Rev.19:20) when they are thrown alive into the lake which burns with fire (Lake of Fire) where the Dragon will soon join them.

## THE SON OF MAN PRESENTED

<sup>13</sup> "I kept looking in the night visions, And behold, with the clouds of heaven One like a Son of Man was coming, And He came up to the Ancient of Days And was presented before Him. <sup>14</sup> "And to Him was given dominion, Glory and a kingdom, that all the peoples, nations and *men of every* language might serve Him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion which will not pass away; And His kingdom is one which will not be destroyed."

