



Chapter Eight

(Daniel's vision of the RAM and the He-GOAT)



THE INTERRUPTION



¹⁵ And it came to pass, when I, even I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man. ¹⁶ And I heard a man's voice between the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision. ¹⁷ So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end shall be the vision. ¹⁸ Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and set me upright.

v17b, The Time of the End,
Dan.12:40
The Laodicea Church age.
(the end of an age)



¹⁹ And he said, Behold, I will make you know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be. ²⁰ The ram which you saw having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia. ²¹ And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king. ²² Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.



Four Kingdoms
v22
The Diadochi or 'successors'

- Cassandrian Dynasty
- Lysimachean Dynasty
- Seleucid Dynasty
- Ptolemy Dynasty



²³ And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up. ²⁴ And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practice, and shall destroy the **mighty** and the **holy people**. ²⁵ And through his policy also he shall **cause craft** to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy

v23-25, King of fierce countenance (Antichrist)



many: he shall also **stand up against the Prince of princes**; but **he shall be broken without hand**.

²⁶ And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days. ²⁷ And I Daniel fainted, and was sick certain days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, but none understood it.

v25b, Battle of Armageddon. Antichrist broken without hands is pictured in the stone cut out of the mountain and crushes all the others.