

Master Outlines of Daniel

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God calls us to persevere Daniel 7:15-28

- I. An Overview
 - A. Beasts can stand for kingdoms (v. 23) or the kings who represent their kingdoms (v. 17)
 - B. The ten horns are ten subservient kings (governors) (v. 24) of the ten provinces of Rome which lasted from Sulla (about 138 B.C.) to Nero (about 66 A.D.)
 - C. The three horns which are uprooted represent provinces of Spain, Gaul and Syria which were taken by Caesar Augustus (Octavius). This is the first time in Rome's history that the jurisdictional separation between king and Senate has been breached. It starts the process of emperors having total power.
 - D. The little horn represents dominion of the line of Caesars from Octavius who replaced the three horns to Nero who was that last of that line.
- II. Further lessons that can be learned
 - A. God has not promised us a rose garden (vv. 15, 28) The task can seem overwhelming
 - B. We need to look to God for illumination (v. 16)
 - C. Never underestimate the power of tyranny. These were "great" beasts (v. 17)
 - D. Christ's kingdom will never be superceded or defeated (v. 18)
 - E. We should desire to know both the gloomy and the happy news (vv. 19-21)
 - F. Satan destroys (v. 23) whereas God builds
 - G. Satan is always seeking to overthrow law and to change time (v. 25)
 - H. Dominion involves the negative work of tearing down (v. 26) and building up (v. 27)
 - I. Christ will have His way in history. All nations shall serve and obey Him (v. 27)