

# Certain Sound



“For if the trumpet give an uncertain sound, who shall prepare himself to the battle?” 1 Cor. 14:8

## How can I understand God’s Messages for Me?

## What is Going on in the World Today?

### Prophetic Study Guide 2010

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### Daniel 2

(an overview of History,  
Prophecy and Interpretation)



Not a verse by verse commentary.

**A guide to help individuals who are moved to study the Bible.**

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## Prophecy Study 2010

“The entrance of Thy words giveth light; it giveth understanding unto the simple.”  
Psalm 119:130.

### Preface

Knowing that the prophecies have been given in such a way that every generation since Christ’s ascension has looked for His return in their life time, the study of the prophecies have always been influenced by understanding and traditions that have been handed down from one generation to another. The intent here is not to dispute the past interpretations, rather to seek for the present truth in the final sequence of the world’s history.

Taking the manner in which the prophecies had been fulfilled in the past as a criterion by which to judge of the fulfillment of those which are still future; I am endeavoring to lay aside all preconceived ideas, comparing scripture with scripture, then placing the interpretation of those events that have been fulfilled beside the corresponding history [GC320]. In this way I shall try to bring into focus the events about to transpire.

“In the Scriptures are presented truths that relate especially to our own time. To the period just prior to the appearing of the Son of man, the prophecies of Scripture point, and here their warnings and threatenings pre-eminently apply. The prophetic periods of Daniel, extending to the very eve of the great consummation, throw a flood of light upon events then to transpire. The book of Revelation is also replete with warning and instruction for the last generation.” Review and Herald 9/25/1883

“But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, *even* to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.” Daniel 12:4.

Now is the period in history that many are rushing to and fro as never before (i.e. world travelers, rush hour) even going around the earth multiple times a day in satellites. Only two hundred years ago, to travel meant; to walk, ride a horse, donkey, camel etc. or ride in a carriage or sailing boat. Knowledge has increased with the storage and retrieving methods that have been expanding at a rate that was not available until the last half century. Computers have given each of us the ability to search a given subject, pull up a mass of information to study, expand my knowledge and store that knowledge for others.

“The books of Daniel and Revelation are one. One is a prophecy, the other a revelation; one a book sealed, the other a book opened.” 1MR99

“Christ exhorted us not only to read Daniel the prophet, but to understand it?  
[Matthew 24:15]” GC350

The books of Daniel and Revelation employ the same principles of interpretation as in the other scriptures, the prophetic symbols can be understood. The prophecies, so far as they have been fulfilled, have been fulfilled literally; all the various figures, metaphors, parables, similitudes, etc., are either explained in their immediate connection, or the terms in which they were expressed were defined in other scriptures, and when thus explained, are to be literally understood. [GC320]

“The Revelation is a sealed book, but it is also an open book, recording marvelous events that are to take place in the last days of this earth’s history. Its teachings are definite, not mystical and unintelligible, and God would have us understand it.” Signs of the Times 1/11/1899

## Introduction

1. Daniel and Revelation are one - they explain each other.
2. All of Daniel's prophecies are given as a chronology.
3. All of Daniel's prophecies have subsequent explanations that give better understanding of a portion of the sequence.
4. Symbols, and figures in prophecy should always be interpreted by Holy Word, then the interpretation can be exchanged for the symbol; this done there should be found the literal fulfillment.
5. Symbols are explained by three methods
  - A. Direct application i.e. Water = peoples, multitudes, nations and tongues.  
Revelation 17:15; Jesus said "I am the vine, ye *are* the branches." John 15:5
  - B. Parenthetic statement, i.e. "John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God" John 1:29
  - C. Implied symbols i.e. Throne of grace implies a kingdom of grace.
6. Most prophecies have three fulfillments :
  1. Immediate, local with literal symbols, and with literal time.
  2. Second, prophetic symbols with prophetic time.
  3. Repeat of history in closing events with prophetic symbols and literal time. Any prophetic time periods starting after seventeen ninety-eight are literal time.
7. TIME
  - A. Prophetic = Day equals a year Ezekiel 4:4,5 the years of their iniquity, according to the number of the days,
  - B. Repeat of history in closing events - Literal / Prophetic, a year equals a day. Ezekiel 4:6 each day for a year.
8. All major prophetic events have been fulfilled on a Holy day of the Sanctuary services.  
"These types were fulfilled, not only as to the event, but as to the time. ...  
In like manner the types which relate to the second advent must be fulfilled at the time pointed out in the symbolic service." GC399
9. "Time of the end" a time period beginning with the deadly wound of Rome and continuing to the Second Coming. 1798 ->
10. "Day of the Lord" the time of trouble on the earth when God takes the events into His hands to punish those who defy Him.  
"The great day of the LORD *is* near, *it is* near, and hasteth greatly, *even* the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly. That day *is* a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers. And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung."  
Zephaniah 1:14-17
11. Prophecy is history as God sees it, written in advance.

## Symbols: in prophecy

**Beast** = Kingdom/King Daniel 7:17,23

**Water** = Kingdom/people = multitudes, nations, tongues. Revelation 17:15

**Mountain** = Kingdom/territory - Daniel 2:35,44

**Woman** = Religious belief /Church - Jeremiah 6:2 Isaiah 54:6 GC381

**Virgin** = True church - 2Kings 19:21 Isaiah 37:22 Lamentations 2:13 Micah 4:7 Jer. 6:2

**Whore** = Apostate religion; Revelation 17:1-6 Isaiah 1:21 Jeremiah 3:3,6 GC381

**Daughter** = Church under control of a king or another Church; Daniel 11:6 GC282

**Daughter of Women** = Two or more religious beliefs merged; Daniel 11;17

**Man** = Kings/kingdom that set their authority in place of God's. 2Thes2:3,4 GC356

**Winds** = Wars Jeremiah 51:1

**Four winds/ whirlwind** = All encompassing war / world war Jer51:1-4; 49:36 GC439,440

**Bottomless pit** = Worldwide condition of chaos and desolation; same as 'without form and void' Revelation 20:1-3

Jeremiah 4:23-26 GC658

**Seed** = doctrine, teachings

**Seed / Good** = Gospel of Salvation, Truth taught. Matthew 13:25-28

**Seed / tares** = Counterfeit, Devil's doctrines, Traditions. Matthew 13:25;38

**Seed of men** = Human wisdom, Man's plans to save himself

**Seed / sewn** = Doctrines being taught; Mt13:25-38 2SP243

**Stone, Rock** = Jesus the cornerstone, foundation of Salvation Deuteronomy 32:15-18 Psalms 18:2 Desire of Ages 413

**Day of the Lord** = Time of trouble; A short period of time just before the Second Coming; Day of God's vengeance,

wrath, of trouble and battle; Series of events; Zephaniah 1:14-16 Jeremiah 4:20-29 Amos 5:18,20 3 Isaiah 13:5-11

GC310-311 Joel 2:2 GC401 PK389 Jeremiah 46:10 Ezekiel 30:3

**Time of the End** = 1798 until Second Coming; A time crowded with events in process of fulfillment. GC256

**Antichrist** = In place of Christ; He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son. Man of sin; 1John 2:18,22,23 4:3

Rev14:6-12 2John7 3SM401 GC593

**Apparel/Garments** = Character on display; CG416 Zeph1:8 Is63:1 Acts1:10 Gen35:2

**Filthy rags/garments** - Our iniquity; Sinful human nature; Spiritually naked; Is64:6; Zech3:4 AG24

**White Robe** = Christ's Righteousness

**Beast/Image of** = Kingdom that looks like and acts like another kingdom; Gen1:26 Ex20:4 Rev13:14-15;14:9 Deut4:25

**Babel** = Confusion; Man's plan to save himself. Genesis 11:9 GC381

**Babylon/woman** = Church Controlling governments; enforcing religious observances, teaching confusion of doctrines;

GC381,382,388-390 Revelation14:8;17:5,6,18;18:2-3 TM61 4SP233

**Blasphemies** = Taking of authority in place of God; Claim to be God, Say to any man 'thy sins be forgiven'; Claim the

right to bind any man to heaven or hell; John10:33 Mark2:7; 3:28-29 Luke5:21

**Breach** = Break in teaching the law of God; The Sabbath, profaned, perverted, left out; Is58:12-14

**Choler** = Anger. Dan8:7 Dan11:11

**Covenant/Holy/Everlasting/New** = Contract between God, Jesus and man; Plan of salvation; Covenant of Mercy;

Receive Him by faith; Better covenant through Christ's righteousness; Gen 17 Heb8 7BC932 PP371 7BC931,934 ST10-

10-92 Covenant of Grace from eternityGC269; FLB77

**Covenant/old** = Contract of a chosen nation; Sacrifice ceremony; Perfect obedience Gen17: Gal3:16 PP371 Gen15:17

**Wine** = Symbol of Blood of Christ pored out for us; Mark14:23,24 Matt26:27,28 MH333

**Wine/new** = Vital truth of God; New truths brought from God does not fit well with old wine skins; New truths will be

brought forth continually till Christ comes; New elements brought into religion; DA278-9 Matt9:17 Lk5:37

**Wine/old** - Self-sufficient leaders in a rut of ceremonies and traditions; Teaching doctrines, maxims traditions of men;

Poison of devils doctrines; DA278 Deut32:33

**Wine bottles/bags** = People that profess to follow God; New bottles, His people with new hearts who accept new truths,

all the truth; Old bottles, people controlled by maxims and opinions of men, satisfied with legal religion; Matt9:17 DA279

**Wine of Babylon** = Denounce sound doctrine as heresy; Confusion; Exalting of false doctrines, especially the false

Sabbath; Consciousness in death; Immortality of soul; Eternal torment; Rapture; Denial of pre-existence of Christ: GC388-

389, 536. Rev14:8;16:19;17:8. 2SM68,118 EV365 TM61

## Daniel 2:31-36

31 Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness *was* excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof *was* terrible.  
32 This image's head *was* of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass,  
33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay.  
34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet *that were* of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.  
35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.  
36 This *is* the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.

37 Thou, O king, *art* a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.  
38 And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. Thou *art* this head of gold.  
39 And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.

## Daniel Chapter 2

### The MAN

The dream given to king Nebuchadnezzar, and then revealed to Daniel, is the outline of the history of great nations that set a man in the place of God. There are four great world kingdoms, then the kingdom is divided into two parts. The iron of the feet represent the continuance of teaching and authority of the fourth kingdom following its break up. Since seventeen ninety-eight history records that two super powers have controlled the world. Revelation seventeen shows the beast having seven heads that carry the apostate religion and martyring those who worship the True God. Her name "Babylon the great **Mother**" shows that the religion represented traces its roots back to the Babylonian kingdom. Each of the kingdoms represented by the seven headed beast in Revelation are given in Daniel's prophecies.

"The crown removed from Israel passed successively to the kingdoms of Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, and Rome." Education 179

"Prophecy has traced the rise and fall of the world's great empires— Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, and Rome. With each of these, as with nations of less power, history repeated itself. Each had its period of test, each failed, its glory faded, its power departed, and its place was occupied by another. While the nations rejected God's principles, and in this rejection wrought their own ruin, it was still manifest that the divine, overruling purpose was working through all their movements." Education 177

### The interpretation

#### Head of gold 606B.C - 538 B.C.

Thou *art* this head of gold  
Nebuchadnezzar spake .. "Is not this great Babylon, that I have built"  
Daniel 4:30

#### Worship of the man

Worship the golden image of himself that Nebuchadnezzar the king hath set up

#### Breast and his arms of silver 538-331 B.C

After thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to Babylon.  
Medo-Persia Known as The Persian Empire. Daniel 11:2

Worship of the man Darius signed the decree, that whosoever shall ask a petition of any God or man for thirty days, save of thee, O king, he shall be cast into the den of lions. Daniel 6:7,9

#### Belly and his thighs of brass 331-168 B.C.

Grecia - The Macedonian Empire Daniel 11:2

Worship of the man Mythology introduced with a multitude of idols, many half-god half-human gods in the place of the Creator God

40 And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all *things*: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.

41 And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

42 And *as* the toes of the feet *were* part of iron, and part of clay, *so* the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.

43 And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but* it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream *is* certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

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.

**Legs of iron** Rome 168 B.C. - 1798 A.D.

All three phases: 1) Pagan 168B.C.-476 A.D.; 2) Ten divisions 476-538; Papal or 3) Holy Roman Empire 538-1798. The first phase had all the children under two killed in an attempt to kill the Christ child. Then under Roman authority Jesus was crucified. The Christian believers were accused by Jews and killed by Roman authorities. Stephan was stoned, Paul beheaded, Peter crucified, and thousands were put to the lions for entertainment. Under the third phase of Rome countless numbers were tortured, killed and burned at the stake for refusing to worship a man, and accept his teachings and his authority in the place of the Creator God.

**Feet part of iron and part of clay**

And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

Divided in verse 41 in current English means half or two depending on context. Rome fell to Napoleonic, France in 1798. History records the world has been ruled by two super powers ever since. The two kings are explained in more detail in Daniel's last vision.

**Seed of men**

And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

There have been numerous attempts made to bring the super powers with their allies together into some kind of arrangement to control the world governments to keep peace among nations. The League of Nations, and now The United Nations are based on human desires, human plans to keep peace and resolve differences. It is obvious that the nations that have been brought together by human plans (seed of men) do not cleave to one another.

**Note:** Now going back over the part concerning the feet, seven times the number two is implied: i.e. Verse 33 his feet part of iron and part of clay. Verse 41 feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron - strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay. Verse 42 toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay - kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken. Verse 43 iron mixed with miry clay -not cleave one to another even as iron is not mixed with clay.

**God of heaven sets up a kingdom**

"And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom." Citizenship in His Eternal Kingdom starts when a person yields his will and becomes a disciple, but the saints possess the kingdom after the Second Coming of Christ.

Luke 19:11,12,15 "...he added and spake a parable, because he was nigh to Jerusalem, and because they thought that the kingdom of God should immediately appear. He said therefore, A certain nobleman went into a far country to receive for himself a kingdom, and to return. ... And it came to pass, that when he was returned, having received the kingdom,"

Mark 1:15 And saying, "The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand: repent ye, and believe the gospel."

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 couldest reveal this secret.

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.

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 stone was cut out of the mountain without hand** and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold;

The stone or the rock represent Jesus and His eternal kingdom that has been established without human help, that will destroy all the earthly kingdoms at His Second Coming. Jesus, while walking on earth, said “I must preach the kingdom of God” - Luke 4:43 This is the invisible kingdom made up of those who are true followers of His. Jesus commissioned no human to assume authority in place of Him until He returns. He has commissioned: Apostles, under shepherds, teachers, and all those who accept Him to “go and teach them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you”. There has never been given to anyone to, hear confession and forgive sins, change times or alter any law He has given. In fact Jesus said “Till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law, till all be fulfilled. Whosoever therefore shall break one of these least commandments, and shall teach men so, he shall be called the least in the kingdom of heaven: but whosoever shall do and teach *them*, the same shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 5:18

“God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.”

“If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city” Revelation 22:18,19

606 B.C. -  
538 B.C.

Dan.2:38 "Thou  
(Nebuchadnezzar)  
art this head of gold"

# BABYLON

The crown removed from Israel passed successively to the kingdoms of Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, and Rome. God says, "It shall be no more, until He come whose right it is; and I will give it Him."  
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Dan7:3 And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another. 4 The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.

**Beast = King/Kingdom**  
Daniel 7:17,23

# MEDIA & PERSIA

Silver  
538 B.C. - 331 B.C.

Brass

# GREECE

331 B.C. - 168 B.C.

# ROME

168 B.C. - 1798 A.D.  
Iron

**Rome All Three Phases**  
Pagan - 10 Kings - Papal

1798-the  
Second  
Coming

ten  
kings  
one  
hour  
with  
beast.

a second, like to a bear. Dan. 7:5

**Medo-Persia**  
Dan 7:5



**4 Horn**  
**Greece**  
Dan  
8:8,22



**Babylon**  
Dan 7:4

another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads  
Dan7:6



**Media-Persia**  
Dan 8:3-7,20



**Greece**  
Dan 8:5-8,21



**Greece**  
Dan 7:6

**Out of one of them [wind] came forth a little horn**  
Dan 8:9

Dan 9:24 Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people.. and to anoint the most Holy. 25 ...from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks... 26 And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself... 27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease...

**Rome three phases**

**#1 Pagan Rome**

**#2 10 Divisions**

**#3 Papal or Holy Roman**  
Dan 7:7,8

**#2 Ten HORNS of Rome 476-538 A. D.:**

Almanni, Anglo-saxons, Burgundians, Franks, Lombards, Suevi, Visigoths, Heruli, Vandals, Ostrogoths.



in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom  
Dan 2:44

Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed. Dan 8:14

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## IRON & CLAY

SOUTH & NORTH

[Rev13:3]one... heads...wounded...  
... deadly wound was healed:  
and all the world wondered

**7\* Kingdoms that carry the Whore** [apostate church] **Rev17.**  
**Starting w/ \* Babylon [the mother] \* Persia \* Greece**  
**\* Rome \* England \* United States** [is not carrying the woman yet is carrying the woman] Rev.17:7

**\* Image of 4th beast**  
**[United Nations]**

To rule over the kings of the Earth

**TIME OF THE END = 1798 -> SECOND COMING**

**\* DAY OF THE LORD = From Religious Laws -> Second Coming**

# THE BLESSED HOPE

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## CHRIST'S SECOND COMING



**Lamb = Christ's Eternal Kingdom**

Rev14:4 These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth.



**Came up out of the earth**  
**United States of America**  
Rev 13:11

Rev13:12 And he exercised all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

