

GETTING BEYOND SACRED COWS



- 4 beasts rising up from the sea parallel the dream statue
- Key word: “LIKE”
- 4th beast different from the rest. No comparison to an animal.
- 4th beast violent and destructive, with 10 horns on its head

WHO ARE THE 4 EMPIRES?



- Lion = Golden Head = Babylonia
- Bear = Silver arms and chest = Media-Persia
- Leopard = bronze thighs & hips = Macedonia-Greece
- 4th Beast = iron legs = Roman Empire
- Some theologians say they are: Babylonia, Media, Persia, Greece

CAUTION! RIGID DOCTRINES AND UNFULFILLED PROPHECY DON'T MIX

- Little horn, the 11th horn, displaces 3 other horns
- Horn = king/kingdom
- Some End-Times doctrines fit the Scriptures better than others
- But we shouldn't adopt a creed about the End-Times as unassailable
- Jesus didn't fit the pre-determined mold for a Messiah, and most Jews rejected Him as a result



**POST-
MILLENNIAL**

**A-
MILLENNIAL**

**PRE-
MILLENNIAL**

4 KINGDOMS

Babylonia, Media-Persia, Greece, Rome

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LITTLE HORN

ROMAN CATHOLIC POPE

FINAL GENTILE KING WHO CHRIST DESTROYS

THE ANTI-CHRIST

10 HORNS

10 KINGS WHO HAVE COME AND GONE

REPRESENTS 3 STAGES OF ROMAN EMPIRE PROGRESSION

10 KINGS WHO ARE YET TO COME IN A REVIVED ROMAN EMPIRE

SAINTS OR HOLY ONES

CHURCH OF THE PRESENT AGE

NT CHURCH AT THE END OF THE AGE

**ISRAELITES
OR GENTILE
CHRISTIANS**

THE ANCIENT OF DAYS



- Ancient of days is God
- Trinity = The Father
- Judaism = God of Israel
- This throne is the Judgment Seat
- Reason for the imagery of God as an old man is the veneration in bible times for the elderly

THE COURT OF JUDGMENT IS CONVENED

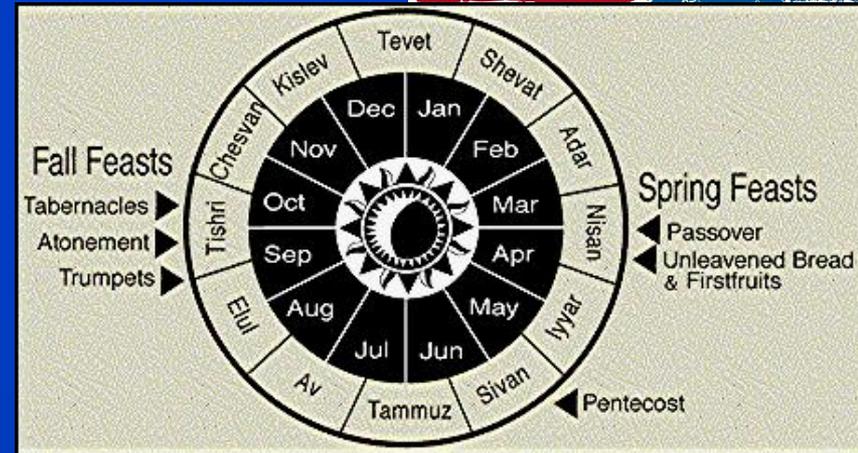
- God will judge and destroy
- Fire is used either to purify or to annihilate
- Human deeds are said to be recorded in Heavenly books
- Rev. 20:12
- Malachi: 3:16

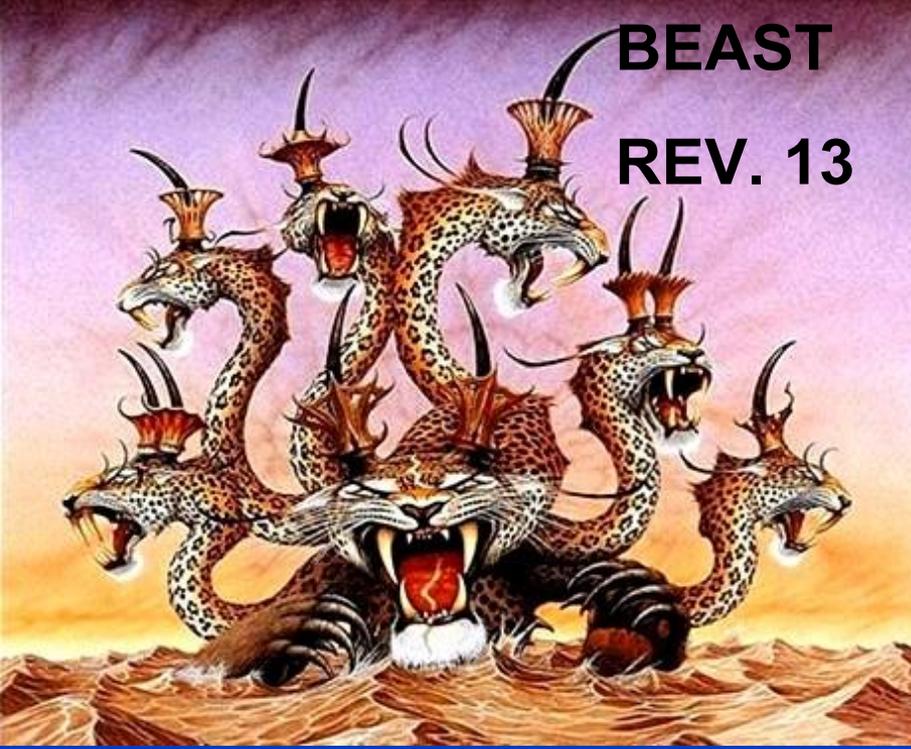


A TIME AND A SEASON



- For now, only the 4th beast is destroyed
- The first 3 beasts are relieved of their rule, and given prolonged lives
- **Zeman** = season, appointed times, festivals
- **Iddan** = time, generic meaning
- A time and a season is an expression of indefinite time





**BEAST
REV. 13**

BEASTS OF DAN. 7 AND REV. 13 COMPARED

- Revelation 13 Beast:
- 7 heads
- A combination of a lion, bear, and leopard
- No “little horn” (11th horn), just 10 horns apparently dispersed among the 7 heads



**4TH BEAST
DAN. 7**

- Daniel 7 Beast:
- “A” head
- NOT like a lion, bear or leopard
- A little horn (11th horn) sprouts up from among the 10

“ONE LIKE A SON OF MAN”

- This being is brought to the Ancient of Days
- He is given dominion, honor, and sovereignty over the entire earth forever !!
- Christianity sees this being as Jesus Christ
- Judaism sees this being as Israel
- Notice.. “LIKE A” that was earlier applied to the lion, bear, and leopard is also applied to the Son of Man



“SON OF MAN” CONCEPT DEVELOPED THROUGHOUT THE OLD TESTAMENT



- Hebrew = *ben adam*
- Aramaic = *bar enash*
- Equivalent of “human being”
- Upon the era of the Kings, the term begins to blur
- Psalm 80
- Jews and Christians agree on messianic implications of Psalm 80
- Dan. 7, Son of Man becomes an official title via progressive revelation