Isaiah Week 15



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Question

What are reasons to praise the Lord?

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Question

Was God angry with you?

Reasons to Praise God

1. God's Grace

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I will trust and not be afraid.

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Question

What must we do to not be afraid?

Reasons to Praise God

- 1. God's Grace
- 2. God comforts me
- 3. God is my salvation
- 4. God removes my fear when I trust in Him

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- 6. God is my defender

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- 6. God defends me
- 7. Jesus is my Savior

Isaiah 12: 3 (NIV)

With joy you will draw water from the wells of salvation

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- 5. God is my strength
- 6. God defends me
- 7. Jesus is my Savior
- 8. Jesus gives me Joy when I draw from the water of salvation

Isaiah 12: 4 (NIV)

In that day you will say:

"Give praise to the Lord, proclaim his name;

make known among the nations what he has done,

and proclaim that his name is exalted.

Question

How do we give praise to the Lord?

Isaiah 12: 4 (NIV)

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Ways to Give Praise God

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- 2. Make known what He has done

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Isaiah 12: 5 (NIV)

Sing to the Lord, for he has done glorious things;

let this be known to all the world.

Ways to Give Praise God

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- 2. Make known what He has done
- 3. Proclaim His name is exalted
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- 2. Make known what He has done
- 3. Exalt His name
- 4. Give Glory to God for all He has done
- 5. Proclaim the Word of God to all the world

Isaiah 12: 6 (NIV)

Shout aloud and sing for joy, people of Zion,

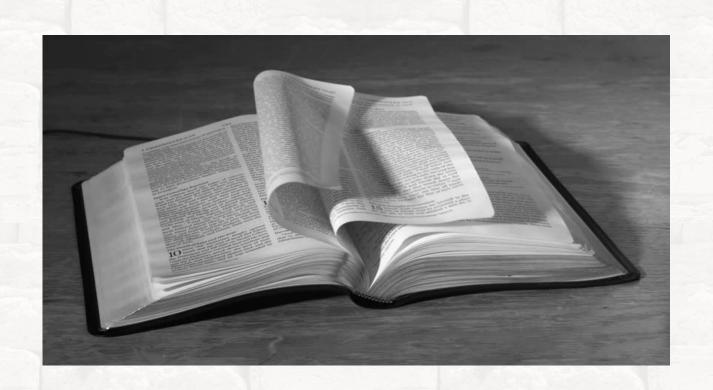
for great is the Holy One of Israel among you."

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- 3. Exalt His name
- 4. Give Glory to God for all He has done
- 5. Proclaim the Word of God to all the world
- 6. Be filled with Joy for Christ is with us

Please turn to:

Matthew 28: 18-20



Matthew 28: 18-20 (NIV)

Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.

Matthew 28: 18-20 (NIV)

Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Isaiah 13:1 (NIV)

A prophecy against Babylon that Isaiah son of Amoz saw:

Question

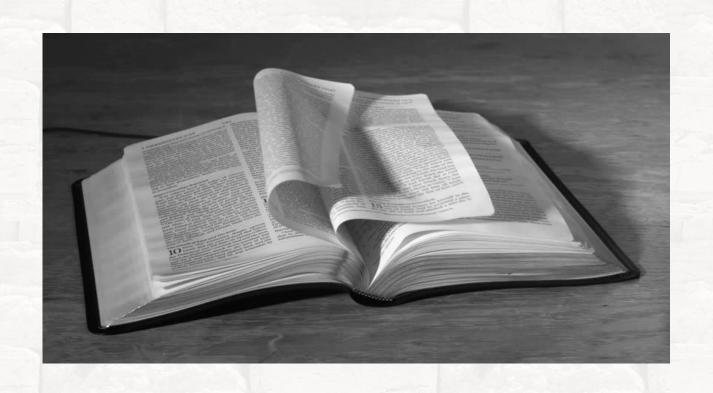
What warring nation is attempting to gain control of Isaiah's world during Isaiah's time?

The kingdom of Judah was under attack by the Assyrians and God has given Isaiah a prophecy about Babylon!

This is an amazing prophecy because Babylon was just an insignificant little village on the Euphrates river when this prophecy was given.

100 years after Isaiah recorded this prophecy Babylon will become one of the greatest world empire of ancient times.

Please turn to: Daniel 2



Daniel 2: 28 (NASB)

However, there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries, and He has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what will take place in the latter days. This was your dream and the visions in your mind while on your bed.

Question

What does the latter days mean?

Daniel 2: 29 (NASB)

As for you, O king, while on your bed your thoughts turned to what would take place in the future; and He who reveals mysteries has made known to you what will take place.

Daniel 2: 30 (NASB)

But as for me, this mystery has not been revealed to me for any wisdom residing in me more than in any other living man, but for the purpose of making the interpretation known to the king, and that you may understand the thoughts of your mind.

Daniel 2: 31 (NASB)

"You, O king, were looking and behold, there was a single great statue; that statue, which was large and of extraordinary splendor, was standing in front of you, and its appearance was awesome.

Daniel 2: 32-33 (NASB)

The head of that statue was made of fine gold, its breast and its arms of silver, its belly and its thighs of bronze, its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay.



Daniel 2: 34-35 (NASB)

You continued looking until a stone was cut out without hands, and it struck the statue on its feet of iron and clay and crushed them. Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver and the gold were crushed all at the same time

and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away so that not a trace of them was found. But the stone that struck the statue became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.

Question

Does anything about the statue stand out to you?

The farther down the statue you go the value is decreasing.

The farther down you go the lighter the material so this would be extremely top heavy and unstable.

It is getting more brittle as you go down the statue.

The statue is deteriorating until it's feet are crushed.

A stone that is not man made destroys the statue.

This stone fills all the earth.

Daniel 2: 36 (NASB)

"This was the dream; now we will tell its interpretation before the king. You, O king, are the king of kings, to whom the God of heaven has given the kingdom, the power, the strength and the glory;

Daniel 2: 38 (NASB)

and wherever the sons of men dwell, or the beasts of the field, or the birds of the sky, He has given them into your hand and has caused you to rule over them all. You are the head of gold.

The ancient historian Herodotus visited Babylon 90 years after the reign of Nebuchadnezzar and gave this description in his writing:

Never in his life did he see such an abundance and proliferation of gold as he saw in Babylon.

Isaiah 14: 4 (KJV)

That you shall take up this proverb against the king of Babylon, and say, How has the oppressor ceased! the golden city ceased!

Babylonian Empire 606 B.C. GOLD

Daniel 2: 39 (NASB)

After you, another kingdom will arise, inferior to yours.

Daniel 2: 32-33 (NASB)

The head of that statue was made of fine gold, its breast and its arms of silver, its belly and its thighs of bronze, its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay.

Notice the second kingdom is made up of two arms connected to the breast, it is not a single kingdom.

Question

History tells us who the next world kingdom is, do you know?

Babylonian Empire GOLD 606 B.C. Media-Persia SILVER 536 B.C.

Silver is the same word as money in Aramaic. The Medo-Persian empire taxed their people greatly and collected huge amounts of silver money and became known for their vast amounts of silver.

Also note that the word inferior is used. This word means lower than and likely means lower in value to God due to the increasing sin and immorality of society or further down the statue, it does not mean inferior in size, strength or wealth.

Daniel 2: 32-33 (NASB)

The head of that statue was made of fine gold, its breast and its arms of silver, its belly and its thighs of bronze, its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay.

Daniel 2: 39 (NASB)

then another third kingdom of bronze, which will rule over all the earth.

Note again a dual kingdom of thighs attached to the belly.

Do you know which world kingdom this was?



Alexander the Great became the leader of next world empire- The Greek Empire- which was made up of Syria and Egypt.

Do you know what metal the Greeks were known for?

Take a look at the soldiers from this time.

Brass Chest Plate

Brass Spear



Brass
Helmet
Brass

Sword
Brass
Leggings

Greek Soldier

His hide, then cut him up, his thighs, in two hewn, dubbed with fat Pricked on the sweetbreads, and with wood, leaveless, and kindled at Apposed fire, they burn the thighs; which done, the inwards, slit, They broiled on coals and eat; the rest, in giggots cut, they spit, Roast cunningly, draw, sit, and feast. Nought lacked to leave

allayed

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Each temperate appetite; which served, Nestor began and said:

"Atrides, most graced king of men, now no more words allow,
Nor more defer the deed Jove vows. Let heralds summon now
The brazen-coated Greeks, and us range everywhere the host,
To stir a strong war quickly up." This speech no syllable lost;
The high-voiced heralds instantly he charged to call to arms

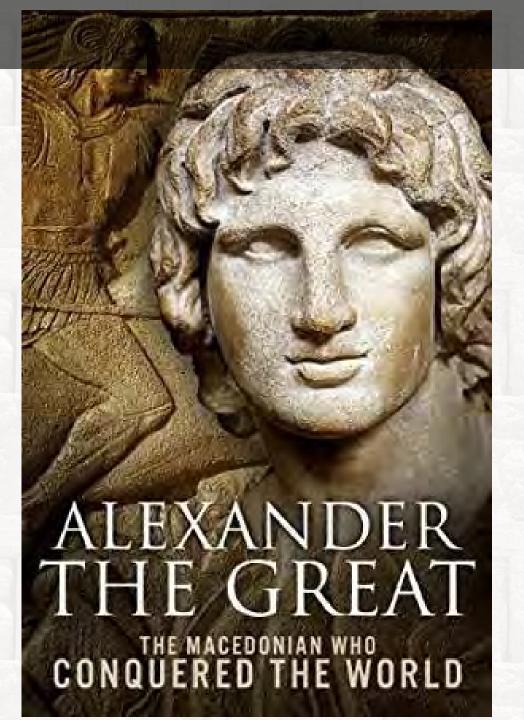
Daniel 2: 39 (NASB)

Note the Word says: "then another third kingdom of bronze, which will rule over all the earth."

Do you know what Alexander the Great commanded people to call him?

Alexander, King of all the Earth

Alexander the Great ruled the known world. His empire was the largest ever in the world up to his time. He ruled Europe, Asia and all the way to India.



Daniel 2: 32-33 (NASB)

The head of that statue was made of fine gold, its breast and its arms of silver, its belly and its thighs of bronze, its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay.

Daniel 2: 40 (NASB)

Then there will be a fourth kingdom as strong as iron; inasmuch as iron crushes and shatters all things, so, like iron that breaks in pieces, it will crush and break all these in pieces.

Note again a dual kingdom of legs of iron.

Do you know which world kingdom this was?



Roman existed as the Eastern Roman Empire and the Western Roman Empire.

In Daniel's day iron was the strongest metal. The Roman Empire lasted 500 years in the west and lasted until 1453 in the east. No other empire was this strong.

Rome was a crushing empire.
They were known as a kingdom that crushed all resistance with an iron heel and ruled with an iron fist.

Roman was never defeated or conquered, they just dissolved.

In that you saw the feet and toes, partly of potter's clay and partly of iron, it will be a divided kingdom; but it will have in it the toughness of iron, inasmuch as you saw the iron mixed with common clay.

As the toes of the feet were partly of iron and partly of pottery, so some of the kingdom will be strong and part of it will be brittle.

And in that you saw the iron mixed with common clay, they will combine with one another in the seed of men; but they will not adhere to one another, even as iron does not combine with pottery.

How many toes are there on our feet?

Do you remember which world kingdom was iron?

they will combine with one another in the seed of men; but they will not adhere to one another

What does this mean?

We see this happening today in our world. This is a reference to following the seed of men, and not God

This is describing a world where mankind has become their own god and each person decides what is right and wrong for them, not God.

What happens in a world where everyone is right?

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What do you think this final human kingdom will be like?

A revised Roman Empire made up of 10 world nations or 10 kings that do not get along and are all trying to run the show their way.

In other words a kingdom that is weakened by their lack of unity, weakened by their own sinful fleshly desires much like we see happening in America today.

GOLD

Babylonian Empire 606 B.C.

SILVER

Media-Persia 536 B.C.

BRONZE

Greek Empire 330 B.C.

IRON

Roman Empire 27 B.C.

IRON / CLAY

Endtimes

Is this kingdom in our past or in our future?

Do we see this forming today?

Coincidences?

On October 24, 2004 the constitution establishing the European Union was signed, the European Union was born and the stage is now set for the rise of the new Roman empire.

Coincidences?

Do you know where they signed this new constitution establishing the united states of Europe?

European Constitution to be signed in Rome today



The signature will take place in the same room that hosted the signature of the founding Treaty of Rome in 1957 (Photo: European Commission)



COUNTRIES THREATENING EU STABILITY



"The only hope for the western world lies in an alliance between the Roman Catholic church which is the most commonly, influential, controlling, unifying element in Europe and the Eastern Orthodox church. Rome must unite with Eastern Orthodoxy, because the Eastern Orthodox church controls western middle east, [the east end of the Mediterranean] and if they don't solidify that control, Islam will march

across Europe. Islam is political. The only hope of the western world lies then in a united Europe under the control of the Pope. And then all Protestant Christians around the globe must come into submission to the Pope so we will have a unified Christian world."

 Charles Habib Malik, U.S. diplomat and foreign-service officer, former president of the U.N. General Assembly and Security Council, guest lecturer at Harvard

European Union Headquarters



Coincidences?



Daniel 2: 44 (NASB)

In the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which will never be destroyed, and that kingdom will not be left for another people; it will crush and put an end to all these kingdoms, but it will itself endure forever.

Which kings is this talking about?

The 10 toes or 10 kings that make up the last earthly kingdom!

What is the final kingdom that is greater than all the others that will rule be established and rule forever?

The Kingdom of God!

Daniel 2: 45 (NASB)

Inasmuch as you saw that a stone was cut out of the mountain without hands and that it crushed the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver and the gold, the great God has made known to the king what will take place in the future;

Who is this stone that crushes all the kingdoms, fills the earth and rules forever?

1 Corinthians 10: 4 and that rock was Christ.