

The complementary halves of the book

Chapters 1 to 6

The contest of wills

The sovereignty of God in our affairs

Biographical

Written in 3rd person ("Then was the secret revealed unto Daniel ...")

1 chapter in Hebrew, 5 chapters in Chaldee

Reveals the development by trial of the saints to receive the kingdom of God.

God is made known through the trials of the saints.

Begins with the captivity of the Jews.

Visions are explained by Daniel to kings

The casting away of God's people leads to the reconciling of gentiles - Kings are converted

Yahweh's sovereignty is acknowledged by the gold & silver elements of the image of Ch2.

Chapters 7 to 12

The contest for the world
The sovereignty of God in world affairs

Prophetical

Written in 1st person ("I Daniel understood ..")

5 chapters in Hebrew, 1 chapter in Chaldee

Reveals the development by aggression of the kingdom of men to receive the judgments of God.

God is made known through the victories of the saints.

Ends with the deliverance of the saints.

Visions are explained by Gabriel to Daniel

The reconciling of God's people leads to the overthrow of the gentiles - Kings are conquered

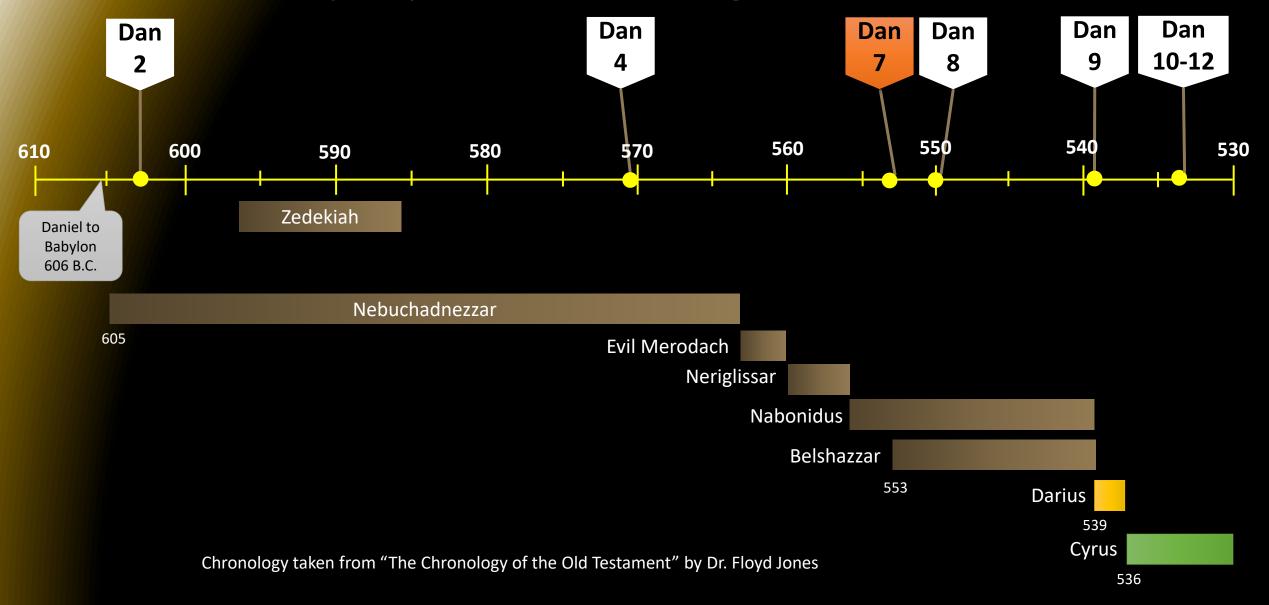
Yahweh's sovereignty is opposed by the brass & iron elements of the image of Ch2.

Theme –

What principle ties the biographical and prophetic halves of the book together?

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne

When the prophecies were given



The relationship of the prophecies

Ch. 7

KoM in relation to God's

SAINTS

Ch. 8

KoM in relation to God's

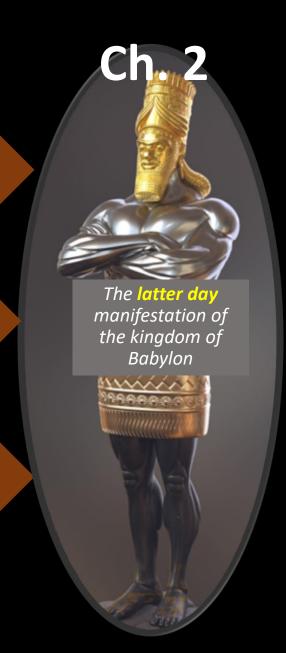
PEOPLE

(Jews)

Ch. 10,11

KoM in relation to God's

LAND

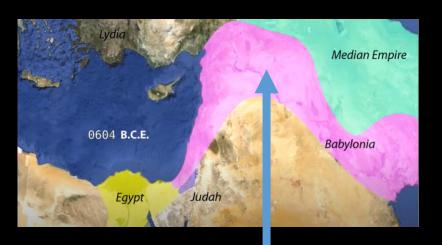


Overview of Ch 7

- >V1-8 The ascendency of the four beasts
- >V9-12 The judgment of the four beasts
- ►V13-14 The inauguration of the 5th kingdom (KOH)
- >V15-18 The angelic synopsis of the vision (in V1-14)
- >V19-28 The truth of the 4th beast

The plucking of the lion's wings







Assyria



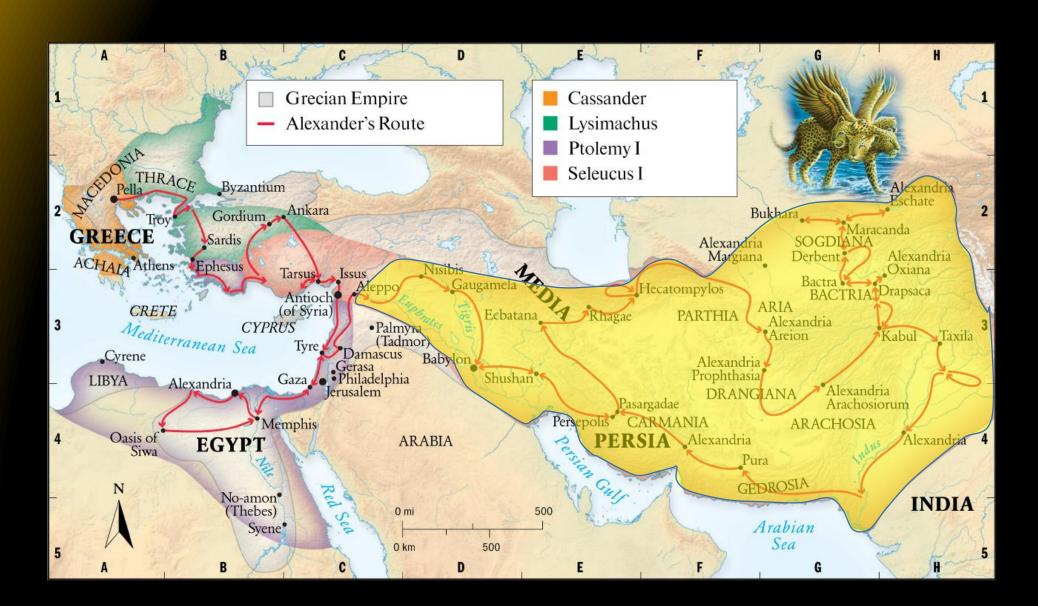




The Persian Empire



Grecian empire (331BC to 168BC)

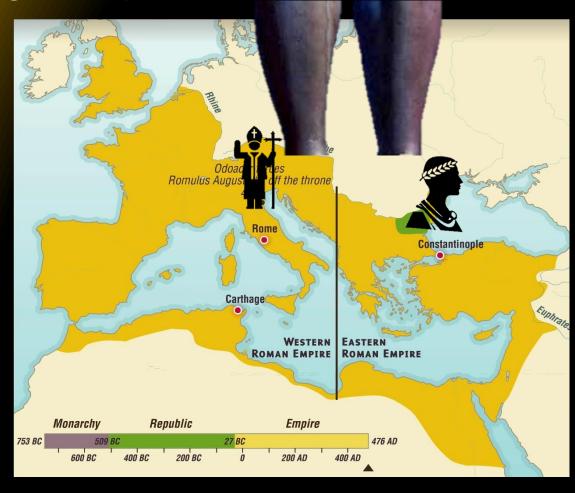


The leopard as a symbol of the Grecian empire



Review of 4th Kingdom of Dan 2

(The legs of iron)



- The 4th kingdom followed the Grecian kingdom and began as the Roman empire centred in Rome.
- Around 330AD
 Constantine moved the civil and military capital of the empire to
 Constantinople. Rome remained the headquarters of the church.
- In 395, the empire was divided between East and West with separate emperors. The division is represented by the two iron legs.

Review of 4th Kingdom of Dan 2 cont'd

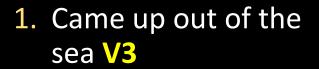
(The feet and toes of iron & clay)



- In 476AD the western Roman empire fell to barbaric tribes from the north and east.
- ➤ 10 tribes established themselves as independent sovereignties on the territory of the old western Roman empire. They are represented by the 10 toes.
- With the support of emperors in Constantinople then from the Holy Roman Empire, the Roman church grew in power and gained authority over the 10 toe kingdoms. The Roman iron in the feet and toes now acquired a religious character.
- In 1453 the eastern Roman empire fell to Ottoman turks.
- At the time when the image is smitten, there will exist 10 sovereignties on the territory of the Western Roman empire that are affiliated by Roman iron religion.

The 4th beast in its pre-Little Horn phase

Characteristics



- 2. 4th kingdom V7
- 3. Devours, brakes in pieces with iron teeth V7
- 4. Has 10 horns **V7**

Interpretation

- 1. Dominion bordered the Mediterranean.
- 2. Equates to the legs and feet of image in Dan 2.
- 3. The beast would exercise dominion over the territory of the Roman empire.
- 4. 10 kings shall exist within the beast's dominion.

These 10 horns that conquered Rome's MILITARY power in the west, later came under the dominion of Rome's RELIGIOUS power in the west.



Establishing the identity of the Little Horn

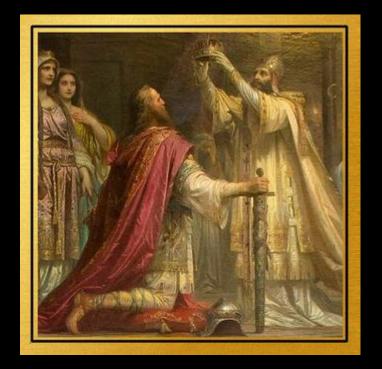
	Dan 7 (Little Horn of 4 th beast)	Rev 13 (beast of Sea)	Rev 17 (Roman whore on 7 hills)
1.	Part of a beast that has 10 horns V7	V1	V3
2.	Rose up out of the sea V3	V1	
3.	Blasphemes God V8, 20, 25	V6	
4.	Has temporal power for 1260 years V25	V5	
5.	Persecutes the saints V21,25	V7	V6
6.	Judged by the saints V22,26		V14

Why were the 3 horns uprooted?

To free the Pope from the shackles of kings and create a catalyst for a new Papal/Imperial alliance (the Holy Roman Empire)

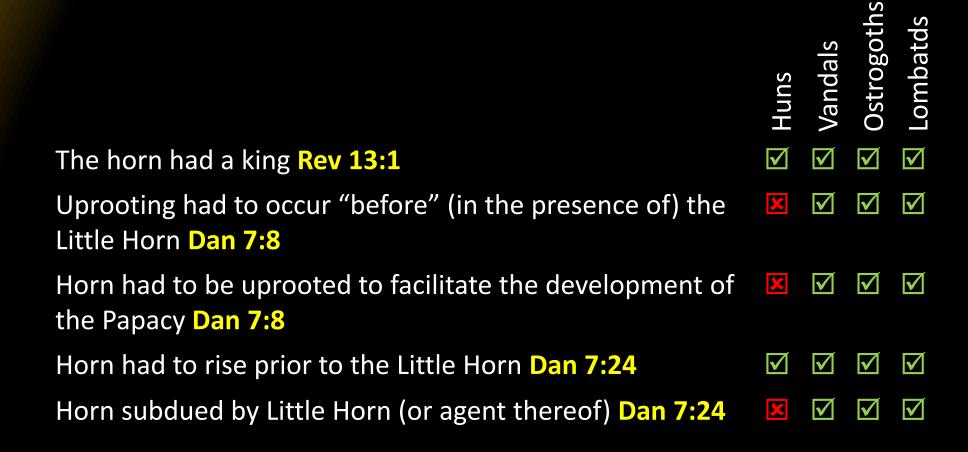


Pope Leo I petitioning Genseric
533AD

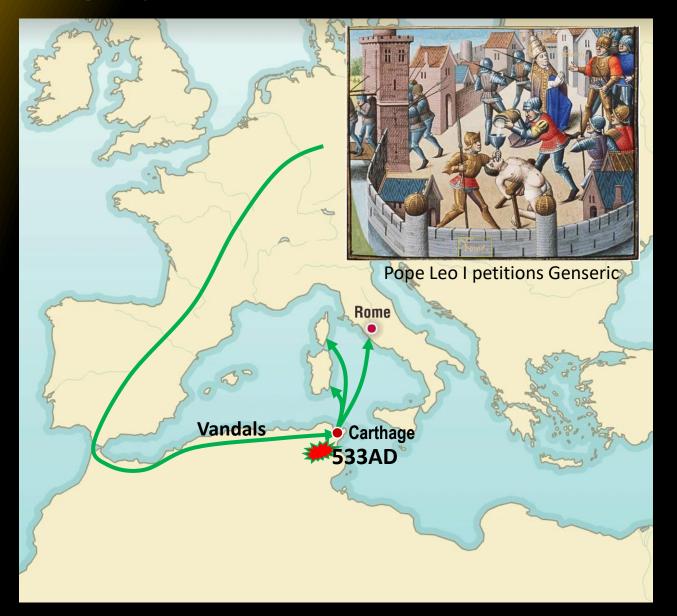


Pope Leo III crowning Charlemagne 800AD

Who are the three horns?



Plucking up of the Vandal horn 533AD



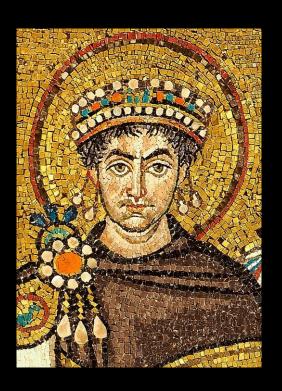
The plucking up of the Vandal Horn was triggered by the Vandal's plundering of Rome in 455AD. It took another 80 years and immense resources to eliminate them.

Plucking up of the Ostrogoth horn 544AD

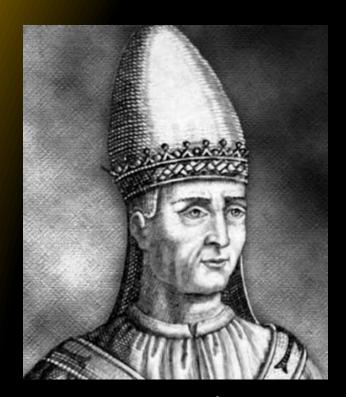


The plucking up of the Ostrogoth Horn took 18 years from 536-544AD.

Pope Vigilius adjured emperor
Justinian to deliver Italy from Totila the Goth.



The Pope seeks a new protector



Pope Stephen II

When the Lombard king Astolphus laid siege to Rome, Pope Stephen wrote to Pepin king of France ...

"Peter called an apostle by Jesus Christ, son of the living God.. As through me the whole catholic, apostolic and Roman church, the Mother of all churches is founded on a rock: and to the end that Stephen, Bishop of the beloved church of Rome, and that virtue and power may be granted by our Lord to rescue the church of God out of the hands of its persecutors ... I Peter the apostle conjure you .. If you will not fight you shall have no share in heaven"

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Pepin The Short

Plucking up of the Lombard Horn 774AD



Papal territory before 745

Granted by Pepin the Short 745

Granted by Charlemagne 774

The Lombards brought about a new world order. Their *THREAT* caused Pope Stephen II to formally severe ties with the Byzantine Empire and turn to the Franks.

Their OVERTHROW resulted in the world beholding for the first time a bishop invested with temporal power. The Little Horn was now truly "diverse" from the others, it had become a religious and civil power.

The invaders that never took root

"The pace of the Germanic incursions increased dramatically during the reigns of the emperor Valens and his successors. These invasions were of two types:

- (1) migrations of whole peoples with their complete German patriarchal organizations intact and
- (2) bands, larger or smaller, of emigrants in search of land to settle, without tribal cohesion but organized under the leadership of military chiefs.

The Goths and Vandals, and later the Burgundians and Lombards, were of the first type; to the second belonged the Franks, "free" men from the Saxon plain, and the Saxon invaders of Britain. The distinction was a vital one. The Goths, Vandals, Burgundians, and Lombards never took root in the soil, and succumbed in turn, while the Frankish and Saxon immigrants not only maintained themselves but set up a wholly new polity, based on the independence of the territorial unit, which later on was to develop into feudalism"

The 4th beast Little Horn

Characteristics

- 2. arose *after* the 10 kings V24
- 3. emerged from among the 10 kings V8
- **V24**
- 7. speaks great words
- 8. persecuted the saints and the dividing of time. **V21,25**



- 1. is diverse from the 10 kings V24

- 4. subdued three kings
- 5. eyes of a man V8,
- 6. more stout V20,
- against the most high
- for a time, and times,

Interpretation

- 1. It is a religious power as distinct from military
- 2. Developed contemporary with the 10 kings but gained ascendency after them. Cmp use of "rise" in Dan 2:39
- 3. This confirms that the 10 kings are Western European
- 4. It subdued the Vandal, Ostrogoth, and Lombard kings.
- 5. The Papacy is surveillant via the Holy "See"
- 6. The Pope was appointed head of ALL churches.
- 7. The Pope has blasphemously claimed to be God on earth
- 8. The Papacy exercised temporal power for 1260 years



1260 period

The latter day KOM and Daniel 7



- ➤ The image of Dan 2 depicts one kingdom. The various metals are there only to reveal the key steps in the development of that joint military and religious kingdom that will exist in the latter days.
- If the latter day kingdom is an incorporation of ALL four metals, is that kingdom depicted in Daniel 7 where the four metals are unbundled and presented as four beasts?
- ➤ Yes on this basis, that each beast *engorged* the previous beast, so that the 4th beast incorporates the leopard, bear and lion dominions.

Proof that the 4th beast of Daniel 7 will incorporate all 3 previous beasts

- ➤ All four beasts are said to be existent at the time of the end Dan 7:12
- A later manifestation of Daniel's 4th beast is described in Rev 13:2 as being "like to a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion"

The 4th beast in its latter day phase

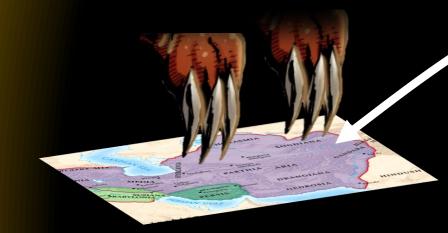


Attributes

 It stamps the "residue" with brass claws V19.

Interpretation

1. The brass claws of the beast indicate that it will exercise dominion over ALL of the Grecian empire. To achieve this it must yet stamp that portion of the Grecian empire from Syria to the Indus River (the "residue") that was not conquered during its Roman empire phase.



"Residue" = Persian empire from Syria to the Indus River

The hallmark of the 4th beast



The 4th beast is the *allied* dominion exercised by Rome and Constantinople.

When we see the religious power in Rome, confederate with the military power in Constantinople, then the time of the end is near.

The emerging alliance between Rome and the future power in Constantinople



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Daniel Ch 7 Notes #1

Uprooting of the Vandal horn 533AD

Beginning 370AD, the Huns pushed "barbarian" tribes, including the Vandals, south and west into the Roman Empire.

The Vandals adopted the Arian form of Christianity which held that Christ was not equal to God. That put them in bitter conflict with the Church. The Vandal Horn was defiant of both pope and emperor.

Genseric the Vandals' king, made Carthage the capital from which they controlled the Mediterranean. The maritime invasions of Genseric against Rome are styled the 2nd Trumpet in Rev 8:8-9.

The vulnerability of Rome to the Vandals was fully realised when in 455 Genseric attacked Rome and plundered it. Only the intervention of Pope Leo I prevented the city from being destroyed.

The emperors in Constantinople were now determined to eliminate the Vandals. The perceived threat of the vandals can be measured by the size of the forces that were sent against them. In 468 the eastern and western halves of the empire united against the Vandals and sent the whole of their fleet against them. Gaiseric surprised the Romans and defeated them and destroyed 600 of their ships.

Following years of clashes (460 to 475 AD), the Vandals were finally destroyed in 533AD by Belisarius under the direction of emperor Justinian.

He landed in North Africa with a fleet of 500 ships, 20,000 sailors, 10,000 infantry, 5,000 cavalry, and 92 smaller warships

Significantly the same year Emperor Justinian proclaimed the Bishop of Rome as Universal Bishop.

Uprooting of the Ostrogoth horn 554AD

The next horn to be uprooted was the Ostrogoths.

The Roman empire in the West was brought to an end by Odoacer of Heruli and Theodoric the Ostrogoth.

The establishment of the Gothic kingdom which lasted 60 years delivered what Rev 13:3 describes as a "deadly wound" to the Roman Imperial head. Under the Gothic Arian 7th head, there was no scope for the development of the Trinitarian Bishop of Rome.

That wound however was to be healed as scripture predicted. In other words, the Gothic power was to be uprooted that the Imperial head could be restored in another form.

The presence of the Arian Goths was repugnant to the devoutly trinitarian emperor Justinian who eventually ordered his general Belisarius to wrest Italy from the Goths.

The uprooting of the Goths began with Belisarius in 536AD, and ended 18 years later in 554AD with Narses and 30,000 troops.

After 60 years of rule, Ostrogoths virtually vanished as a people .

Rome was reduced to a second rank city, and the Pope was subject to the emperor's lieutenant installed in Ravenna.

The deadly wound had still not been completely healed. One more plucking up was required to achieve that.

Daniel Ch 7 Notes #2

Uprooting of the Lombard horn 773AD

The Papacy was free from the yoke of emperor and king but had consequently become vulnerable.

When their neighbours the Lombards (Long Beards) who longed for a united Italy with Rome as their capital marched on Rome, the Pope was without protector – where was he to turn?

For the last 50 years the Papacy in the West had been in conflict with the Byzantine emperors in the east over idol worship. The Pope had burned his bridges. He needed another protector.

That protector was found in Pepin a Frankish king. He routed the Lombards but after he departed the Lombards laid siege to Rome.

This caused Pope Stephen II to write a letter to Pepin. The letter reveals the enormous sway that the Papacy had at this time, and the extent of their involvement in the Lombard horn being uprooted.

Pepin responded and in 758AD he delivered Rome from peril a second time. Significantly Pepin gave the Pope civil power over three principalities that he took from the Lombards:

- The Exarchate of Ravenna
- The kingdom of the Lombards
- The State of Rome

This territory became known as the Papal States.

Later in 774AD, Charlemagne the son of Pepin defeated Desiderius the last of the Lombard kings in Pavia near Milan.

So ended Lombard rule in Italy. Though some territories remained under Lombard dukes, they lost their central Lombard government, and the people with their culture, were absorbed into the kingdom of the Franks.

Daniel Ch 7 Notes #3

Time and times, and dividing of times (Dan 7:25)

This is the period that the Little Horn would have temporal power (civil authority as a secular king) to persecute the saints. What is this period?

This same period of time is mentioned in Rev 12 in relation to a different part of history. However the way in which the period is defined in that chapter is relevant. In Rev 12 the period is described in two ways, "1260 days" (Rev 12:6) and "time, times, and half a time" (Rev 12:14).

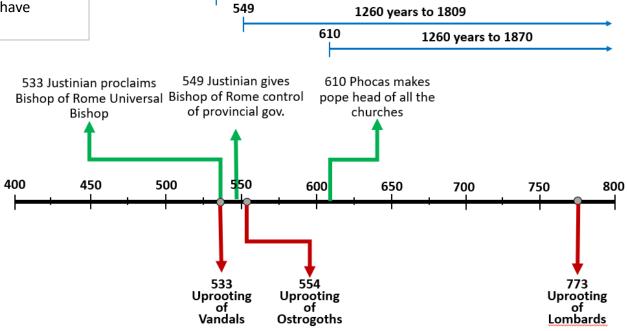
This establishes that:

- "time, times, and dividing of times" = 1260 days.
- > a "time" is 360 days, the number of days in a Jewish year.

On a day for a year principle (Ezek 4:6), 1260 days equates to 1260 years.

Hence the meaning of Dan 7:25 is that the Little Horn would have secular power to persecute the saints for 1260 years.

RISE		FALL		
533	Emperor Justinian proclaimed Bishop of Rome as Universal Bishop	1793	National Assembly of Revolutionary France passed legislation directed to destruction of Papacy	
549	Justinian gives Bishop of Rome control of provincial gov.	1809	Napoleon annexed the Papal States.	
610	Emperor Phocas makes Pope head of all the churches	1870	The last remnant of Papal temporal power was taken from Pope Pius when Garibaldi occupied Rome	



1260 years to 1793

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