

DANIEL CHAPTER 1 WAS AN OVERVIEW

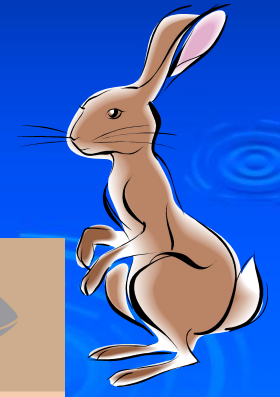
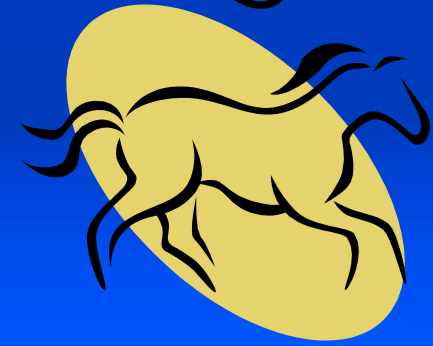
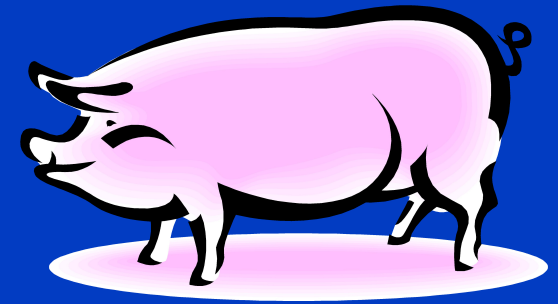
- An attempt to strip Daniel of his identity
- Elements of Identity:
 - location, name, civil and religious education, diet
- Daniel refused to be converted to a Babylonian diet
- Kosher eating involved mostly meat restrictions



PERMITTED



PROHIBITED



“Do not think I came to abolish the Torah.....”



- Yeshua said NOT to think He has abolished the Law
- Matthew 5:17 – 19
- Will the Law pass away some day? YES !!
- WHEN heaven and earth pass away
- Heaven and earth did not pass away when Christ died and rose again





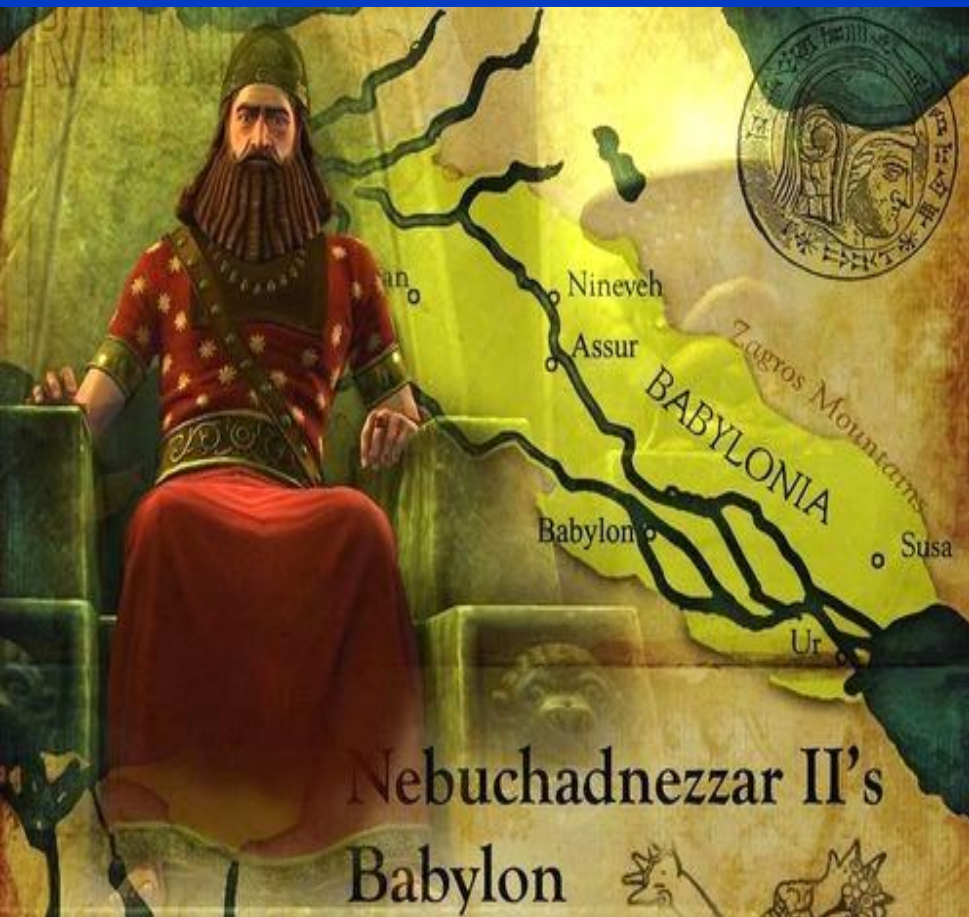
- Daniel chapter 2 moves from historical to prophetic
- Biblical prophecy is not about “seeing the future”
- A roadmap with milestones is provided
- A trajectory of human history similar to the trajectory of human development
- We know at an early age the several milestones in our human development, but we do NOT know what lies in between
- We never know details in foresight, only in hindsight

WATCH FOR THE MILESTONES!

- Bible prophecy allows us to see to the end of human history
- We even have milestones along the way
- Little to no details on the landscape in between the milestones
- Due to misplaced attempts to “fill in the blanks” 99% of the Jewish people in Yeshua’s day missed their Messiah !



DANIEL CHAPTER 2: BEGINS IN CONTROVERSY



- Vs. 1 says this event is happening in the 2nd year of Nebuchadnezzar's reign
- Chapter 1 says Daniel arrived and then went to 3 year school, therefore events are a contradiction
- Commonplace in the bible to present a summary, then backtrack to an event
- Dan. 1, historical overview (all the way to Persian take over of Babylon)
- Dan. 2, backtracks to the event of Nebuchadnezzar's dream

NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S DREAM

- Vss. 1 – 3 A preamble to the prophetic story
- Vs. 4 switches from Hebrew to Aramaic
- Nebuchadnezzar had a series of dreams
- The King for his several kinds of “seers”
- *Kasdim* = Chaldean At this point means Astrologer



SEERS ARE PUT TO THE TEST

- A life and death wrestling match between the king and the Chaldean seers
- King insists he wants his seers to tell him the substance of his dream before they try to interpret it
- Tells them that if they can't they shall all die!
- Vs. 11, Seer spokesman admits it is impossible for a human being to do this, only "the gods" know



DANIEL BUYS SOME TIME TO GO TO GOD FOR THE SECRET



- Daniel and the 3 Jewish boys are included in the death decree
- **Aryokh** allows Daniel to speak to King Nebuchadnezzar
- Daniel says if he can have a little time to consult his God, he can give the answer

GOD REVEALS THE DREAM SECRET TO DANIEL



- A night-vision, not a dream
- ***Chelem*** = dream
- ***Chezev*** = vision
- Daniel's response was a prayer of thanksgiving to God
- The prayer consists of praise and of remembering God's identity
- Identity is a core issue for the exiles to Babylon

