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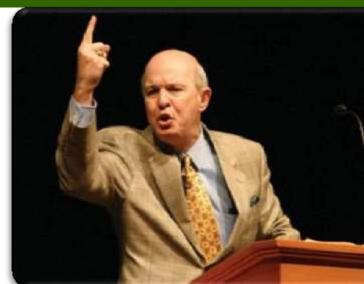
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#5 Declaring the END From the Beginning

# Daniel 4

### Part 3 [of 3] Sneaky Switches & Glitches

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# Review for Daniel 4: Part 2



# King's Viewpoint

# Interpretation & Application

## Dani<mark>el's</mark> Viewpoint

- The King needed an <u>interpretation</u> because he didn't understand anything of what his dream meant.
- Daniel understood exactly what the dream meant because of the use of <u>similes</u> and <u>metaphors</u>.
- Relating to the prophecies of Ezekiel regarding the leaders of Egypt and Assyria, Daniel merely made the same <u>application</u> to King Nebuchadnezzar.

# Review for Daniel 4: Part 2



#### Prophetic Terminology & Prophetic Rules

- Every timeline in a prophecy is Prophetic Time.
- If there are <u>symbols</u> present, the timeline is most often prophetic symbolic time. (\*Remember there are exceptions in Revelation!)
- And if there is only <u>literal language</u> present, the timelines are prophetic literal time – no calculation is necessary.
- "time, times, and half a time" is <u>NOT</u> the same as the "year for a day" calculation principle.

# Review for Daniel 4: Part 2

#### New Prophetic Rule About Repetition

Yahuah does <u>NOT</u> repeat things of no great consequence!

## "Declaring the end from the beginning ..."

**Isa 46:9, 10** Remember the former things of old: for I am Yahuah, and there is none else ...

10 <u>Declaring the end from the</u> <u>beginning</u>, and from ancient times <u>the things that are not yet done</u>, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

# **Understanding Timelines**

# Sneaky Switch

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Something To Consider: Daniel's visions are either: a) Symbolic b) Literal <u>He NEVER mixes the two</u>!

# 6) The Sneaky Switch! Some Theologians Say This:

**X** The Vision of Daniel 4 is symbolic ~ But ... **X** The 7 year timelines are literal! What's wrong with this?

#### Correction!

There are <u>NO</u> symbols in Daniel Chapter 4.

There are <u>NO</u> prophetic symbolic timelines.

✓ Daniel keeps his book simple!

Everything about this Vision is Literall

# Daniel <u>Never</u> ...

# ... mixes Symbolism" with Literal Timelines!

## Note ~ John does:

- 1. Mix symbolism with literal timelines;
- 2. Mix symbolic and literal language together in <u>the same vision</u>, and even the same chapter.
- That's why it is so important to understand the ground rules given by Daniel before trying to attempt proper application to timelines.

# What Does John The Revelator **Expect of You?** John requires you to have a good understanding of the hermeneutic principles taught by Daniel!

# The Deadly Mix Has Consequences

It is error for anyone to take Daniel 4 and mix "Symbolism" with his "Literal Timelines."

## **Consequence:**

~ This "Deadly Mix" totally destroys the <u>Structure</u> of Daniel's Book.

~ One simply <u>does not have permission</u> from Daniel to do this!

# Many Leaders And Theologians Say:

"The tree in Daniel 4 is symbolic!"

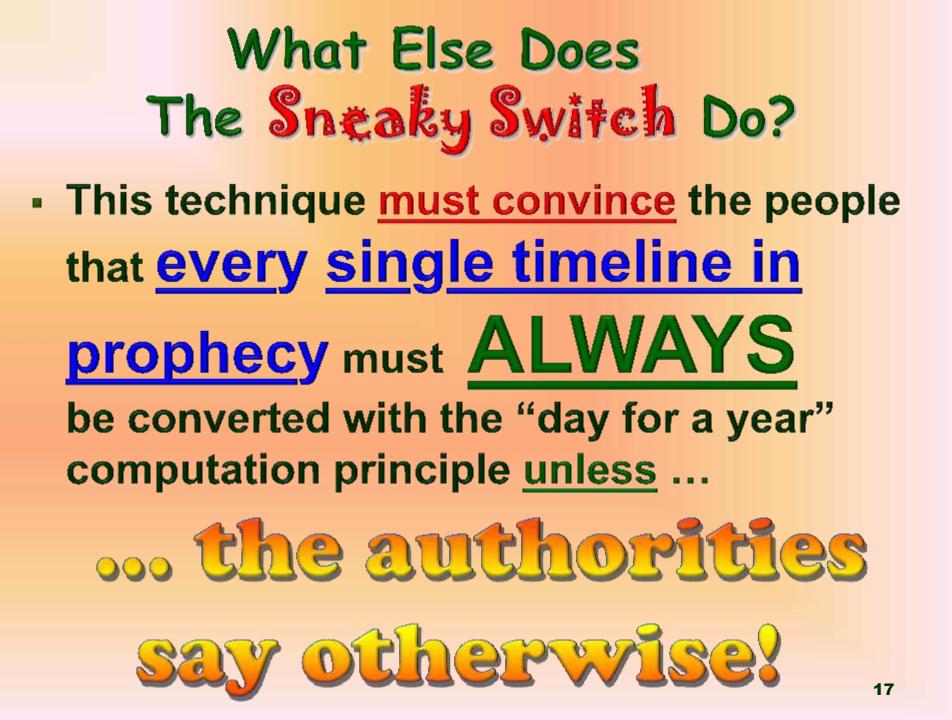
> ~ "The timeline is <u>only</u> 7 literal years!"

Do you see a problem here?

## Daniel Teaches: ~ The Tree is "literal." ~ The Timeline is "literal time."

# That makes more sense, doesn't it?

## Why Is The SNEAKY SWITCH Used? ~ If people can be convinced to practice this switch in Daniel 4 ~ then ~ when studying the 4<sup>th</sup> vision there's no trouble to convince the people to accept the Daniel 12 timelines as symbolic time even though they are written in a vision using ONL literal language and literal timelines



Interpret Daniel's Tree as "<u>symbolic</u>" ... but



Switch the timeline to:

Years

7 Literal

Interpret Daniel's "kings" [ch 11] as "literal kings" ... but

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<u>Symbolic</u> Days

Switch <u>all</u> the timelines to: Think About This For A Moment
~ If theological authorities are saying something different than what Daniel is showing in his work ...
All of us have a decision

to make ...

who has the final authority!

## The "Year/day Principle" Is <u>NOT</u> Used On These Prophecies

- 1. Noah's prophecy that the world would be flooded in 120 years.
- 2. Abraham's prophecy that his people would be enslaved by Egypt for 400 (or 430) years. (See Daniel 4 Appendix for a useful study.)
- 3. Elijah's prophecy that there would be no rain for 3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> years.
- Question?
  Why isn't the "year for a day" principle used for <u>all</u> time prophecies?

Other Consequences Of The Sneaky Switch **Forcing** the prophetic rule ~ "Year for a day" into any Prophetic Literal Timeline ~ will always yield the incorrect interpretation of the timeline.

This is serious!

# What Will The Final Result Be?

The Daniel 12 timelines will NEVER be given the correct application!

# How To Avoid The Sneaky Switch

First: Determine if the vision is written with symbols, or just literal language.

Second: If you're not sure about the status of the vision, check carefully for similes and metaphors that are commonly used in literal language.

#### End Results:

- 1) Daniel's rules will not be changed!
- 2) You'll have a correct understanding of timelines.
- 3) The same rules apply in Revelation.

Learn the rules in Daniel where they are easy!

# Understanding Timelines<br/> 7) How to Begin and End Timelines

Listen to this! **Prophetic Key #26** All timelines <u>must</u> "begin" and "end" with a "voice," or a "decree," whether from Yahuah or man.

## How to "Begin" and "End" Prophetic Timelines Unraveling prophecy and timelines is exciting. Note these <u>Prophetic Keys</u>:

- Key #22 Timelines are <u>never</u> shortened or severed.
- Key #26 <u>All timelines must have a "beginning"</u> and an "ending" with a voice or a decree, whether from Yahuah or man ~ or a legislative assembly.
- Key #27 All timelines have good news and bad news for both groups of people.

Daniel 4 ~ Verse By Verse **Nebuchadnezzar Relays The Timeline** (Heavenly Scene ~ The Prophecy) 16 ... let a beast's heart be given unto him; and let seven times pass over him. 17 This matter is by the decree of the watchers. **Daniel Confirms The 7 Year Timeline** (Outline ~ Prophecy Explained) 23 ... let his [the king's] portion be with the beasts of the field, till seven times pass over him .... 26

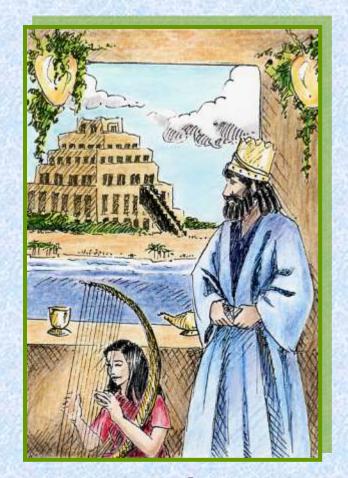
The 7 Year Timeline Begins With A <u>Decree</u> (Outline Continues ~ Prophecy Explained)

24 This is the interpretation [or application], O king, and this is the decree [speaking voice] of the most High ...

> The 7 Year Timeline Confirmed (Answer to Interlude Question ~ "What is the interpretation of this dream?")

25 ... seven times shall pass over thee, till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men ... The King's Probationary Time Ends

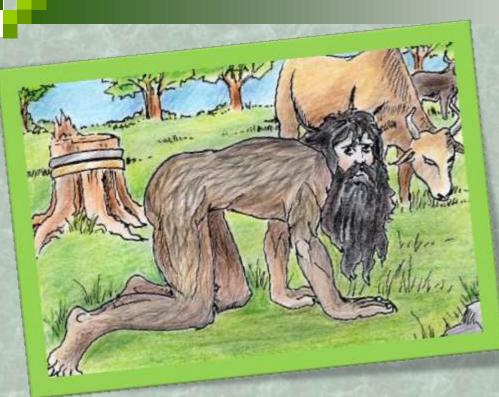
- 29 At the <u>end</u> of twelve months he [the king] walked in the palace ...
- Probationary Time Ends With A "Speaking Voice"
- 30 ... <u>The king spake</u> ... is this not great Babylon, that <u>I</u> built by <u>my</u> power for <u>my</u> majesty?
  31a While the word was in the king's mouth ...



At that very instant! Yahuah of Heaven Speaks Next The 7 Year Timeline Begins (Endtime Event ~ Prophecy Begins Fulfillment)

31b ... there fell a voice [decree of vs 24] from heaven ... saying ... to thee it is <u>spoken</u>: <u>The kingdom is</u> <u>departed from thee</u>. [Now the 7 year timeline begins!]

32 ... thy dwelling shall be with the beasts ... and seven times shall pass over thee.



Biblical Timelines are Trustworthy! 7 Year Timeline Begins <u>Exactly</u> On Time

#### 33 The same hour

[the end of the 12 months of vs 29] was the thing [prophetic vision] fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men ...



Nebuchadnezzar's Voice Ends The Prophetic 7 Year Timeline

34 And at the end of the days [of the seven years timeline] I, [king] Nebuchadnezzar, lifted up mine eyes ... mine understanding returned unto me, and I blessed ... and I praised [with a speaking voice] and honoured him that liveth for ever ...

> Nebuchadnezzar Restored To His Kingdom

36 At the <u>same time</u> my reason returned unto me ... and I was established in my kingdom ... [at the end of the 7 year timeline].

#### King Nebuchadnezzar Received a Stern Warning:

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(Length of Timeline)	(of Timeline)	Scripture For Timeline	Begins (with)	VOICE (Decree)	Ends (with)	VOICE (Decree)
7 "times" or 7 Literal Years	King Nebuchadnezzar and His Pride	DAN 4:16, 23, 25, 32	King Driven to the Field as a Wild Beast	Heavenly Voice Begins the king's Probation	Deliverance From Insanity After 7 Years	The king's Voice of Praise
	DAN 4:27		DAN 4:31-33	DAN 4:29, 31	DAN 4:34	DAN 4:34

## What Does This Mean For Daniel 12?

Daniel does not give any dates for these timelines.

Daniel does not give any hints for the voices that begin and end these timelines.

All we know is that when the 1290 day timeline "ends" all things will be "finished."

The clues for the beginning and ending voices of these timelines are only found in Revelation.

John tells us the "event" that will begin and end the timelines. Then it's up to us to "listen" for the "voices/decrees" that also connect to the events [often associated with a date.]

# Do You Trust Daniel To Handle All Theological Challenges? <u>Ciassionalia</u> 666666

If any theological authority wishes to argue and convince you that your understanding of "timeline interpretation" is mistaken, just ask them to accept Daniel's challenge and confirm their understanding from his Book alone.



It is a Serious
 Violation to:

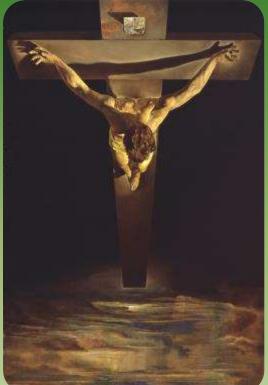
**1.** tamper with Daniel's Structure without his permission to do so;

2. Change his rules on how to work with timelines.

# No matter what others may say:

Timelines will follow these guidelines as given by Daniel.

# Daniel 4 Timeline Principles





## Hold true in the Gospels!

The Daniel & Revelation timelines tell us "where we are in the stream of prophetic time." The Gospel timeline points to <u>The True</u> Messiah!

## Daniel's Review For Timelines: Remember ...

- 1. Chapter 4 gives very clear explanation that every prophetic timeline must have a speaking voice or decree to begin and end timelines.
- Timelines are exact. They begin exactly on time. They end exactly on time. Once the timeline begins ~ it runs the full length of time and then ends.
- 3. Timelines are never severed, <u>unless</u> there is a speaking voice to stop them and a speaking voice to start them up again.



# Understanding Timelines Summary and Conclusion of the Matter

1. Timelines are: "hot topics" but they don't have to be "hot potatoes."

# Conclusion of the Matter

- Daniel 4 sets the precedent of what he expects you to do with every timeline ~ especially the Epilogue timelines, in Daniel 12 ~ the most important timelines in the whole book.
- 3. If <u>Daniel 4 is misunderstood</u>, chances are many of the following timelines in Daniel and Revelation will also be misunderstood.
- 4. Daniel tells us how to identify between "symbols" and "similes/metaphors" when trying to determine if a vision is written with symbolism or literal language.

# Conclusion of the Matter ...

5. Symbols need "outside interpretation." (Use of the Scriptures will also align with historical facts.) Literal

language only needs proper "application" from secular historical fact.

- 6. Daniel distinguishes between "prophetic terminology" and the rule regarding "prophetic time."
- 7. All timelines begin and end with "speaking voices" or "decrees."
- 8. All timelines have good news and bad news for all groups of people involved.

# **Conclusion Of The Matter!**

- 9. Daniel frequently uses <u>repetition</u> to get our attention of important matters.
- 10. Daniel wants you to be aware of any



May All Of Your "Timeline" Studies Be Abundantly Blessed!



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