



## **Daniel 7:1–14 (NIV)**

*In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel had a dream, and visions passed through his mind as he was lying in bed. He wrote down the substance of his dream.*

*Daniel said: “In my vision at night I looked, and there before me were the four winds of heaven churning up the great sea. Four great beasts, each different from the others, came up out of the sea.*

*“The first was like a lion, and it had the wings of an eagle. I watched until its wings were torn off and it was lifted from the ground so that it stood on two feet like a human being, and the mind of a human was given to it.*

*“And there before me was a second beast, which looked like a bear. It was raised up on one of its sides, and it had three ribs in its mouth between its teeth. It was told, ‘Get up and eat your fill of flesh!’*

*“After that, I looked, and there before me was another beast, one that looked like a leopard. And on its back it had four wings like those of a bird. This beast had four heads, and it was given authority to rule.*

*“After that, in my vision at night I looked, and there before me was a fourth beast—terrifying and frightening and very powerful. It had large iron teeth; it crushed and devoured its victims and trampled underfoot whatever was left. It was different from all the former beasts, and it had ten horns.*

*“While I was thinking about the horns, there before me was another horn, a little one, which came up among them; and three of the first horns were uprooted before it. This horn had eyes like the eyes of a human being and a mouth that spoke boastfully.*

*“As I looked, thrones were set in place, and the Ancient of Days took his seat. His clothing was as white as snow; the hair of his head was white like wool. His throne was flaming with fire, and its wheels were all ablaze. A river of fire was flowing, coming out from before him. Thousands upon thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and the books were opened.*

*“Then I continued to watch because of the boastful words the horn was speaking. I kept looking until the beast was slain and its body destroyed and thrown into the blazing fire. (The other beasts had been stripped of their authority, but were allowed to live for a period of time.)*

*“In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all*

*nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.”*

## THE BEASTS

- **The Lion** with eagle’s wings and a human mind.  
Represents: \_\_\_\_\_
- **The Bear** gnawing on ribs.  
Represents: \_\_\_\_\_
- **The Leopard** with four heads and four wings.  
Represents: \_\_\_\_\_
- **The Monster** with iron teeth and ten horns plus one horn with eyes and a mouth!  
Represents: \_\_\_\_\_

FYI

The four beasts symbolize four world powers that succeeded each other. The beasts and their reign of evil would not last.

## THE JUDGMENT

- **“Ancient One”:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Thousands upon thousands attended him; \_\_\_\_\_*

*ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. \_\_\_\_\_*

*The court was seated, and the books were opened.*

Verse 10

## THE ONE WHO COMES TO REIGN FOREVER

*“I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven.”*

Verse 13a

- “Son of man” refers to \_\_\_\_\_.

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Verses 13b–14

*“The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of His Christ; and He will reign forever and ever.”*

Revelation 11:15 (NIV)

### **What does all that have to do with me?**

#### **I. GOD IS STILL \_\_\_\_\_.**

- Jehovah-Shalom = The Lord our peace
- Jehovah-Jireh = The Lord our provider
- Jehovah-Rohi = The Lord our shepherd
- Jehovah-Shammah = The Lord who is there
- El-Roi = The strong One who sees

#### **2. \_\_\_\_\_ THE LAST WORD.**

*God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble. Therefore we will not fear . . .*

Psalms 46:1–2 (NIV)