

3 symbols: Daniel's Little Horn, Paul's Man of Sin (2 Thes.2:3), John's Beast

Dan.2:34 As you looked, a stone was cut out by no human hand, and it struck the image on its feet of iron and clay and broke them in pieces.

Dan.7:2-3 ² Daniel declared, "I saw in my vision by night, and behold, the 4 winds of heaven were stirring up the great sea. ³ 4 great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another

Dan.7:7 After this I saw in the night visions, a 4th beast, terrifying, dreadful and exceedingly strong. It had great iron teeth; it devoured and broke in pieces and stamped what was left with its feet. It was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had 10 horns.

Dan.7:8 I considered the horns, and behold, there came up among them another horn, a little one, before which three of the first horns were plucked up by the roots. And behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Dan.7:23-25 As for the 4th beast there shall be a 4th kingdom on earth which shall be different from all the kingdoms. It shall devour the whole earth, trample it down, and break it to pieces.

²⁴ As for the 10 horns, out of this kingdom 10 kings shall arise. Another shall arise after them; he shall be different from the former ones and shall put down 3 kings. ²⁵ He shall speak words against the Most High and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and shall think to change the times & the law; and they shall be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time.

Dan.8:21 the goat is the king of Greece. And the great horn between his eyes is the first king.

Rev.13:1-2, 5 I saw a beast rising out of the sea, with 10 horns and 7 heads, with 10 diadems on its horns and blasphemous names on its heads. ² And the beast that I saw was like a leopard; its feet were like a bear's, and its mouth was like a lion's mouth. And to it the dragon gave his power and his throne and great authority. ⁵ And the beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for 42 months.

Rev.17:12-14 the 10 horns that you saw are 10 kings who have not yet received royal power, but they are to receive authority as kings for one hour, together with the beast. ¹³ These are of one mind, and they hand over their power and authority to the beast. ¹⁴ They will make war on the Lamb, and the Lamb will conquer them, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful."

Daniel's Beast (7:7-8, 23-25) vs. John's Beast (Rev.13:1-7, 17:12-14)

	Daniel's	Characteristic	John's
Both Beasts	7:2-3	Came up out of the same region, the Mediterranean Sea	13:1
	7:7, 23	Unlike any other beast. John's has 7 heads; Daniel's has 1	13:1
	7:7, 24	10 horns that stand for 10 kings when Christ returns.	17:12-14
	2:34	10 horns = 10 toes of the image crushed by the stone.	17:12
	7:25	Exercise authority for 3.5 years = 42 months.	13:5
	7:25	Make war on the saints and blaspheme God.	13:5, 17:14
Daniel's Beast	7:7	Terrifying & powerful, with iron teeth to crush its victims	
	7:8	Little horn (final world ruler) destroys 3 of the 10 horns.	
	7:23, 8:21	Daniel's Beast is the old Roman Empire.	
John's Beast		Leopard + bear + lion (Greece, Medo-Persia, Babylon)	13:2
		Describes the future revived Roman Empire.	17:1-18

Daniel's little horn & John's beast become active at the same point in history, in the same place, and do the same work. They have the same character traits, live the same length of time, and die the same way. They *must* symbolize the same thing: the final world ruler, the Antichrist - John's Beast. Greek prefix *Anti-* means "against" and "instead of" (the enemy & *counterfeit* of Christ).

2 Thes.2:3 Paul's Man of Sin: Let no one deceive you in any way. For that day will not come, unless the rebellion comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction

The Aramaic word for "time" in Dan.4:25, 7:25 & 12:7 means year, as shown in the NIV.

Little horn's power over the world lasts 3-1/2 years: time, times & half a time.

These 3-1/2 years are identical to the last half of the "week" (7 years) in Dan.9:27.

It will be the last 3-1/2 years before the 2nd Coming of Christ begins the 5th kingdom.

The prophetic Jewish calendar uses 12 months of 30 days (360 days per year).

It is the same 42-month / 1260-day period described in Rev.11:2-3; 12:6, 14; 13:5.

The Order and Timing of End-time Events

1. Apostasy (falling away, defection, forsaking) of moral principles and traditional beliefs.
2. Rapture: Christ takes His church to the Father's house. John 14:2-3; 1 Thes.4:16-17
3. Antichrist will rise to power & subdue 3 of 10 kings ruling the 4th empire. Dan.7:24
4. His 7-year reign will be the Tribulation, the 70th week of Daniel 9:27.
5. The 7-year clock begins when the Antichrist brokers a peace treaty with Israel.
6. For the 1st 3-1/2 years his one-world government will appear to solve all problems.
7. Israel will rebuild the temple and reinstate the Old Testament sacrifices. Dan.9:27
8. At mid-tribulation (after 3-1/2 years) Antichrist will march on Jerusalem. Dan.9:27
9. He will desecrate the newly rebuilt temple & set up the image of the beast. Rev.13:14
10. All people, particularly Israel, will be required to worship the image or die. Rev.13:15
11. This abomination of desolation will cause Israel to flee to the desert. Rev.12:14
12. For 7 years, especially the last 3-1/2, God's wrath will plague the earth. Rev.6-18
13. God's enemies will assemble their armies at Armageddon. Joel 3:2; Rev.16:16
14. Christ returns to Mount of Olives. Zech.14:2-4; Mat.24:30; Acts 1:11; Rev.19:11-16
15. Christ destroys Antichrist, then establishes the kingdom. Luke 21:24, 27; Rev.19:20
16. Judgments of Gentiles (Zec.14:1-9; Mat.25:31-46) and Israel (Ezek.20:34-38).
17. Millennial reign of Christ on earth for 1000 years. Rev.20:4-6; 2 Sam.7:8-17
18. Revolt led by Satan at the end of the millennium, and its judgment. Rev.20:7-10
19. Resurrection and great white throne judgment of the wicked. Rev.20:11-15
20. Christ surrenders the kingdom to God. God will be all in all. 1 Cor.15:24-28
21. Destruction of the heavens and earth by fire. 2 Pet.3:10-12
22. Creation of new heavens & earth. Isa.65:17-19, 66:22; 2 Pet.3:13; Rev.21:1

Isa.65:17-19 God: "I create new heavens & a new earth; former things shall not be remembered or come into mind. But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create; for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness. I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people; no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress."

2 Pet.3:13 according to his promise we are waiting for new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells.