

The Stone Kingdom (Of the LORD Jesus Christ)



Nebuchadnezzar's image may be taken as a prophetic timeline; thus, indicating that we are nearing the end of this present world system and the return of the LORD Jesus Christ. Four kingdoms have passed and one is presently ruling the world through Mystery Babylon. The final world kingdom will be the Stone Kingdom of the Living God. Let us be ready with the Gospel Message as we await the return of our LORD and Savior. Time is growing short.

The World kingdoms

Daniel 2:31 Thou, O king, sawest, and beheld a great image. This great image, whose brightness *was* excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof *was* terrible. 32 This image's head *was* of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass, 33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay. 34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet *that were* of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces. 35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

Daniel 2:34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet *that were* of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.

This stone was cut out without hands and it smote the divided kingdom which reigns today as Mystery Babylon; which presently controls the world powers. The stone (the LORD Jesus Christ) shall at the appointed time destroy the present world powers and they will disappear and never be found again; they shall be replaced with the Stone Kingdom; the Kingdom of God.

This stone can be no other than the LORD Jesus Christ, as the great image was made by the hand of man; the Stone is made without hands. The Stone of Israel; the Stone the builders refused; which became the head and chief Stone of the foundation of the Kingdom of God.

Genesis 49:24 But his bow abode in strength, and the arms of his hands were made strong by the hands of the mighty *God* of Jacob; (from thence *is* the shepherd, the stone of Israel:)

Psalms 118:22 The stone *which* the builders refused is become the head *stone* of the corner.

Isaiah 28:16 Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner *stone*, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.

The LORD will rule along with His church; the saints of the LORD'S Salvation.

Daniel 2:44 And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, *but* it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever. 45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream *is* certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

The dream of Nebuchadnezzar foretold of four kingdoms that would rule in the times of the gentiles and they would be a burden upon Israel. They would be used to judge God's people. But the kingdom that will finally rule in the world to come, and destroy the earthly kingdoms ruled by the spirit of the devil and his demons is the Stone Kingdom of the Living God; the LORD Jesus Christ. The mountain is the Kingdom of the Living God presently located in Heaven and the stone is the LORD Jesus Christ who will leave that kingdom and come to earth and destroy the world satanic powers; bringing in the Kingdom of God to earth, which will be everlasting.

The Kingdoms of Satan

Matthew 4:8 Again, the devil taketh him up into an exceeding high mountain, and sheweth him all the kingdoms of the world, and the glory of them; 9 And saith unto him, All these things will I give thee, if thou wilt fall down and worship me.

The kingdoms of gold, silver, bronze; and iron which rule with the riches of this world and with the power and influence of satanic powers; which corrupt mankind. The kingdoms of man have become the kingdoms of Satan ruled by the rulers of darkness and spiritual wickedness in high places.

What the LORD Jesus Christ rejected the antichrist will accept and the kingdoms will be his for a short time.

This present world-system, under which Satan has organized the world of unbelieving mankind upon his cosmic principle of force, greed, selfishness, ambition, and pleasure. Matthew 4:8 Matthew 4:9 ; John 12:31 ; 14:30 ; 18:36 ; Ephesians 2:2 ; 6:12 ; 1 John 2:15-17 . This world- system is imposing and powerful with armies and fleets; is often outwardly religious, scientific, cultured, and elegant; but, seething with national and commercial rivalries and ambitions, is upheld in any real crisis only by armed force, and is dominated by Satanic principles. - *Scofield*

2 Corinthians 4:4 In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them

Ephesians 6:12 For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places*.

Revelation 13:1 And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy. 2 And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as *the feet* of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

These kingdoms under the rule and influence of the devil and his rulers of darkness and spiritual wickedness in high places have dominated the times of the gentiles; the world being blinded to the spiritual warfare for the control of this world age and the souls of men. These kingdoms have succeeded each other through the ages; each having the characteristics of the one before it. God has used them to judge the world; they have ruled in opposition to the Kingdom of God and have sought to destroy his people Israel. However, there is a Kingdom coming that will crush these kingdoms and establish righteousness.

The Stone Kingdom

Habakkuk 2:14 For the earth shall be filled with the knowledge of the glory of the LORD, as the waters cover the sea.

Isaiah 2:2 And it shall come to pass in the last days, *that* the mountain of the LORD'S house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. 3 And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

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1 John 3:8 He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil.

The LORD's kingdom will fill the earth with the knowledge and Glory of the Almighty God. It shall destroy every work of the devil and his kingdoms, and establish righteousness.

The Defeat of the World's kingdoms (Prior to millennial reign)

Revelation 19:11 And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him *was* called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war. 12 His eyes *were* as a flame of fire, and on his head *were* many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself. 13 And he *was* clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

14 And the armies *which were* in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean. 15 And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God. 16 And he hath on *his* vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS. 17 And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;

18 That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all *men, both* free and bond, both small and great. 19 And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army. 20 And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone. 21 And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which *sword* proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

The Final Destruction of Satan and his Kingdoms (After the millennium)

Revelation 20:7 And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison, 8 And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom *is* as the sand of the sea.

Ver. 7-Prison = *phulakē foo-lak-ay'*. From G5442; a *guarding* or (concretely *guard*), the act, the parson; figuratively the place, the condition, or (specifically) the time (as a division of day or night), literally or figuratively: - cage, hold, (im-) prison (-ment), ward, watch.

9 And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them. 10 And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet *are*, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

The Everlasting Kingdom of God and His People

Revelation 21 1 And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea. 2 And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

3 And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God *is* with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, *and be* their God.

4 And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

5 And he that sat upon the throne said, **Behold, I make all things new.** And he said unto me, **Write: for these words are true and faithful.**

The Stone Kingdom of the LORD Jesus Christ will destroy the kingdom of the devil which presently rules the world systems. God's kingdom will triumph and the LORDS everlasting rule will be established. Brothers and Sisters in Christ we must stand fast and do the work set before us till Kingdom Come; be faithful and fruitful as we await the LORDS return; for He will return and His Kingdom will be established.

John 14:1 **Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.** 2 **In my Father's house are many mansions: if *it were not so*, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you.** 3 **And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, *there* ye may be also.**

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