Dreams Do Come True

Daniel 2:19-49

1. God reveals the dream to Daniel.

Daniel 2:19b–23 (NIV) "Then Daniel praised the God of heaven ²⁰ and said: "Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever; wisdom and power are His. ²¹ He changes times and seasons; He sets up kings and deposes them. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the discerning. ²² He reveals deep and hidden things; He knows what lies in darkness, and light dwells with Him. ²³ I thank and praise you, O God of my fathers: You have given me wisdom and power, you have made known to me what we asked of you, you have made known to us the dream of the king."

Ark 11:24 (NIV) "Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours."

Luke 1:37 (NIV) "For nothing is impossible with God."

2. Daniel describes the dream to the king.

Daniel 2:24–28a (NIV) "Then Daniel went to Arioch, whom the king had appointed to execute the wise men of Babylon, and said to him, "Do not execute the wise men of Babylon. Take me to the king, and I will interpret his dream for him." ²⁵ Arioch took Daniel to the king at once and said, "I have found a man among the exiles from Judah who can tell the king what his dream means." ²⁶ The king asked Daniel (also called Belteshazzar), "Are you able to tell me what I saw in my dream and interpret it?" ²⁷ Daniel replied, "No wise man, enchanter, magician or diviner can explain to the king the mystery he has asked about, ²⁸ but there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries. He has shown King Nebuchadnezzar what will happen in days to come."

Daniel 2:31-36 (NIV) "You looked, O king, and there before you stood a large statue—an enormous, dazzling statue, awesome in appearance. ³² The head of the statue was made of pure gold, its chest and arms of silver, its belly and thighs of bronze, ³³ its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of baked clay. ³⁴ While you were watching, a rock was cut out, but not by human hands. It struck the statue on its feet of iron and clay and smashed them. ³⁵ Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver and the gold were broken to pieces at the same time and became like chaff on a threshing floor in the summer. The wind swept them away without leaving a trace. But the rock that struck the statue became a huge mountain and filled the whole earth. ³⁶ "This was the dream, and now we will interpret it to the king."

3. Daniel interprets the dream for the king.

Daniel 2:37–43 (NIV) "You, O king, are the king of kings. The God of heaven has given you dominion and power and might and glory; ³⁸ in your hands he has placed mankind and the beasts of the field and the birds of the air. Wherever they live, he has made you ruler over them all. You are that head of gold. ³⁹ "After you, another kingdom will rise, inferior to yours. Next, a third kingdom, one of bronze, will rule over the whole earth. ⁴⁰ Finally, there will be a fourth kingdom, strong as iron—for iron breaks and smashes everything—and as iron breaks things to pieces, so it will crush and break all the others. ⁴¹ Just as you saw that the feet and toes were partly of baked clay and partly of iron, so this will be a divided kingdom; yet it will have some of the strength of iron in it, even as you saw iron mixed with clay. ⁴² As the toes were partly iron and partly clay, so this kingdom will be a mixture and will not remain united, any more than iron mixes with clay."





Head of Gold: Babylonian Empire. (Vs 37-38) (605-539 BC) Nebuchadnezzar

Chest and Arms of Silver: Medo-Persian Empire. (Vs 39a) (539-331 BC) Cyrus

Belly and Thighs of Bronze: Greek Empire. (Vs 39b) (331-146 BC) Alexander the Great

Legs of Iron: Roman Empire. (Vs 40) (146 BC-395 AD) Caesars

Feet of Iron and Clay: Modern Age/Roman Influence. (Vs 41-43) (395 AD-Second Coming) 10 Kings/Kingdoms. New World Order

Daniel 2:44–45 (NIV) "In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be



destroyed, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever. ⁴⁵ This is the meaning of the vision of the rock cut out of a mountain, but not by human hands—a rock that broke the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver and the gold to pieces. "The great God has shown the king what will take place in the future. The dream is true and the interpretation is trustworthy."

Daniel 2:35b (NIV) "...the rock that struck the statue became a huge mountain and filled the whole earth." Isaiah 2:2 (NIV) "In the last days the mountain of the Lord's temple will be established as chief among the mountains; it will be raised above the hills, and all nations will stream to it."

Daniel 7:13–14 (NIV) "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. ¹⁴ He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all peoples, nations and men 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."

4. Nebuchadnezzar confirms the dream and credits God.

Daniel 2:46–47 (NIV) "Then King Nebuchadnezzar fell prostrate before Daniel and paid him honor and ordered that an offering and incense be presented to him. ⁴⁷ The king said to Daniel, "Surely your God is the God of gods and the Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries, for you were able to reveal this mystery."

Daniel 2:48 (NIV) "Then the king placed Daniel in a high position and lavished many gifts on him. He made him ruler over the entire province of Babylon and placed him in charge of all its wise men."

Daniel 2:49 (NIV) "Moreover, at Daniel's request the king appointed Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego administrators over the province of Babylon, while Daniel himself remained at the royal court."

What will the empire that you are building ultimately look like? How stable is it? On what is your life built? If Christ were to



return today, what in your life would last? What would turn to dust? What are some ways that we can build up our inheritance in Christ's kingdom? Are you ready for Jesus Christ to come again?

