

Many are wondering when, or if, the world will ever come to an end. This question has intrigued mankind since the dawn of time. Down through the ages, men have tried to predict earth's final hour. Does the Bible have anything to say about this subject? The answer is: yes, it has much to say! In fact, the Bible is the only reliable guide concerning this subject, as we will soon see.

- 1. Is it possible for us to know the exact time that our world will come to an end? Matthew 24:36
- 2. List seven reasons why we can trust the Bible:
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 - 2) _____
 - 3) _____
 - 4) _____
 - E)
 - 6)
 - 7)

Bible prophecy is not given merely to accommodate and satisfy mankind's curiosity about the future; Bible prophecy serves a moral purpose, that is, to affect conversion and transformation in the heart of the hearer.

3. In John 14:29, Jesus promises that He can tell us
about future events before they take place. What does
this instill in the heart of the listener?

If someone can accurately and consistently tell the future, that person by nature would be supernatural and you would be interested in whatever else he'd have to say.

- 4. What are some of the promises given in Isaiah 46:9,10?
- 5. Where can we find true reliable prophecy?

Do you realize that 30% of the Bible is prophecy? You can hardly read your Bible without reading about prophecy. It is as if God says, "I am going to give you so much that you cannot deny that there is something special about this book."

- 6. What are the two types of prophecy found in the Bible?
 - 1) _____
 - 2) _____
- 7. According to Matthew 24:15, which book does Jesus want us to read and understand?
- 8. What are the three main takeaways found in Revelation 1:1-3?
 - 1) _____
 - 2) _____
 - 3) _____
- 9. What did Daniel do when he was confronted with an overwhelming obstacle? Daniel 2:17-19

Daniel 2:28
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11. What did King Nebuchadnezzar see in his dream? Daniel 2:31
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10 Why did God give King Nebuchadnezzar a dream?

The Dream verses 31-35

Head of ______
Chest of _____
Belly of _____
Legs of _____
Feet of _____



- 12. What happened to the image in the king's dream?
- 13. What happened to the stone at the end of the dream?

Remember that King Nebuchadnezzar would have an been idolater. God purposefully chose an idol-like image to arrest the king's attention!

The Interpretation verses 36-43

Don't forget that the king wanted two things: the dream and the interpretation. In verse 36 Daniel makes it clear, no doubt to the king's utter dismay, that the dream was exactly as he had told it. Daniel could stand with confidence before the king, because he had knelt before God! Now we turn our attention to the interpretation of this remarkable dream.

14. Who is symbolized by the head of gold? Give dates

When Daniel directs this statement to Nebuchadnezzar, he is making the declaration that the head of gold represents the kingdom of Babylon.

- 15. Who is symbolized by the chest of silver? Give dates.
- 16. Who is symbolized by the belly of bronze? Give dates.
- 17. Who is symbolized by the legs of iron? Give dates.
- 18. Who is symbolized by the feet of iron and clay? Give dates.

The Kingdom-Stone verses 44 & 45

- 19. What does the stone that smashes the image represent?
- 20. According to v. 44 when will it strike the image?

The second coming of Jesus Christ to earth will usher in the eternal reign of the Kingdom of God. When, precisely, will this happen? The answer is: we don't know, but we do know that we are living in the very last part—the toes—of the great metal man. Men try in vain to solidify and unite the "feet of iron and clay," but the Word of God is clear: "They Shall Not Cleave." The futile efforts of man cannot thwart the great plans and purposes of God! Just as this heavy statue would be wobbly with its feet-foundation of clay, so too we live in "wobbly" and unstable times. No man, no politician, no leader can solve the great problems that face this world. We need an external solution, and that solution is God and His marvelous coming Kingdom! How near is it? Nearer than we think!

King Nebuchadnezzar recognizes that there is something different about the God that Daniel serves. The king realizes that the God of heaven is in control of earthly events. Are you willing to let Him have full control in your life as well?