

# Insights In Prophecy

Unlock The Ancient Mysteries Of Daniel & Revelation

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# 5 LESSON

## Lesson 5

### FOUR WORLD MILITARY POWERS OF THE APPOINTED TIMES—PART II

Read Daniel 7:6-7; Revelation 6:5-8

- Examine The Identity Of The Leopard With Four Heads
- Establish The Global Location Of The Terrible 10 Horn Beast

In Lesson 4 we discovered how Heaven controls human governments. The Scriptures link modern militaries to the four powerful angels that surround God's throne. These four unique creatures each have four heads of sight and six massive wings, referred to as "the four winds of Heaven" (Daniel 7:2) who move upon the great sea of peoples to establish the earth-bound powers of Daniel 7—the Lion with Eagle's Wings, the Bear, the Leopard and the Terrible Beast.

The four, earthbound power-bases of Daniel 7 are not relics of the past as many commentators claim (i.e., Babylon, followed by the Medes and Persian, followed by Greece, followed by the Roman Empire; or similar grouping), but rather contemporary end-time contenders for world dominance. We know because near the end of prophetic time one of the four political powers is destroyed by the "blazing fire" (7:11-12), while the remaining three are stripped of their authority but are allowed to live for a short period longer (indicating their eventual and simultaneous demise). Daniel 7:26-27 also declares the final end of Antichrist and all world governments that have submitted to him once the Court of Heaven pronounces judgment against them all. This proves they are on the world scene at the same time and are not ancient powers that conquered and superseded each other.

In Revelation 5 we find the same four magnificent angels each with four heads and six wings standing in the presence of God. In Revelation 6 they also introduce four governmental horses, one at a time. And, just as Daniel confirms, all four will be overthrown by the triumphant King of kings.

We know the horses represent world governments and their military hierarchies because later in the chapter we read, "the *kings* of the earth, the *princes*, the *generals*" will call to the mountains to cover them for fear of what's coming upon the earth at Christ's return (Revelation 6:14-17).

As we merge Revelation's predictions with Daniel's, we will more accurately comprehend prophecy's true intent. In this lesson we will continue to look for similar events and parallel powers in the two books, and we will discover two more global authorities who align themselves with the last great global ruler of Planet Earth.

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### Leopard With Four Heads



1. The third animal creature Daniel saw in vision (7:6) is what? \_\_\_\_\_

2. How many heads did the Leopard have? \_\_\_\_\_

The dictionary states concerning the leopard, "A large feline mammal, *Panthera pardus*, of Africa and Asia." China, and other Asian nations (including many Muslim countries) are likely represented in the Leopard animal. The cat has four heads while the other beasts in Daniel 7 sport only one. This may signify that although China and other Asian countries are territorially linked together, they remain divided politically. The fact that the four-headed Leopard needs four wings to lift it in flight may denote the sheer size of the beast in geographical land mass.

3. John's counterpart horse in Revelation 6:5-6 is what color? \_\_\_\_\_

*The rider of the Black Horse was holding a pair of balances in his hand, and John hears a voice among the four living creatures saying, "A quart of wheat for a day's wages, and three quarts of barley for a day's wages, and do not damage the oil and the wine!" Wheat and barley are basic food crops.*

4. What would working all day for one day's worth of food communicate? \_\_\_\_\_

*Draught and food shortages will be a devastating reality during the last days, causing the price of food to skyrocket. People may have to work all day just to pay for a day's worth of essential food.*

In Matthew 24:7, Jesus warned the earth would suffer severe famine; however, Asia, which produces large amounts of barley, second only to rice, will likely supply commodities to the world at inflated prices.



History attests to the fact that war can erupt between nations at any time as a devastating surprise. Prophecy does not disclose with whom China and the Asian nations will become embroiled in local or international warfare. However, we know with certainty China and the other Eastern Asian countries will be found at Armageddon's battle, when that day arrives. Until then, the Asian Leopard will continue to play a strategic role in food supplies and world affairs and will remain a military threat not only in their region, but to the United States, Europe, Japan, and other countries.

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### Terrible Beast With Ten Horns



5. The fourth and most terrifying creature has no zoological classification. What did Daniel see in the vision (7:7)? \_\_\_\_\_

6. What are the Beast's identifying traits? \_\_\_\_\_

*This governmental beast-monster sports large iron teeth and it will crush and devour its victims and stomp underfoot whatever was left (Job 39:15; Isaiah 25:10).*

7. This creature is different from the previous three in what ways? \_\_\_\_\_

*It was unusual in its form, strength, and use of power. This creature was so hideous and grotesque that even Daniel could find no parallel in the natural world. The Beast tore to pieces and devoured its prey with its massive fangs of iron (Psalms 79:7; Jeremiah 10:25).*

The King James Version of Daniel 7:7 says the beast "stamped the residue" with its feet. This implies the persecution of the "remnant" of God's people—the *remainder* of a larger group. Revelation 12:17 reinforces Daniel's vision with this dire warning, "The dragon [Satan] was enraged at the woman and went off to make war against the *rest of her offspring*—those who obey God's commandments and hold to the testimony of Jesus." The Commandments of God and testimony of Jesus counter the deceptions of Satan and the false religion of the Man of Sin. To hold to the testimony of Jesus is to believe and follow the counsel of the prophecies in the book of Revelation—the declarations of truth that the Messenger gave to His prophet John (Revelation 1:1-2).

8. Daniel 7:25 notes the "little horn" will use the fourth Beast's power to "oppress His [God's] holy people". We should consider, "What part of the world has historically brought holocaust to God's people in the past two thousand years?" \_\_\_\_\_

*From Rome's tyranny during the Crusades of the Dark Ages, on street corners, in prison houses, attached to the fiery stakes and in the death camps of the Hitler, Western Europe has been a seedbed for religious killings and anti-Semitism. History may be repeated; religious persecution could rise once again from the nations of the European Community. But what do the 10 horns represent?*

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<b>Western European Union</b> <b>Union de l'Europe occidentale</b>	
Defensive alliance	
	
Flag	
	
Members • Associate members • Observers • Associate partners	
Capital	Brussels
Political structure	International organisation
Historical era	Cold War
- Treaty of Brussels	17 March 1948
- London and Paris Accords	21 October 1954
- Treaty of Lisbon	1 December 2009
- Abolition	30 June 2011
Today part of	 European Union

### The Ten Horns Western European Union (WEU)

#### The Brussels Treaty of 1948

#### Treaty of Economic, Social and Cultural Collaboration and Collective Self-Defense

The Brussels Treaty was signed on 17 March 1948 by five nations--Belgium, France, Luxembourg, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom, and was the beginning of the unification of Europe. The Brussels Treaty Organization -- as it was then called -- provided for collective self-defense and economic, social and cultural collaboration between its signatories. On 23 October 1954, the Brussels Treaty was modified to include two more nations--the Federal Republic of Germany and Italy, thus being named the Western European Union (WEU). The aims stated in the preamble were:

*"to afford assistance to each other in resisting any policy of aggression"*

*"to promote unity and to encourage the progressive integration of Europe"*

Its two most important provisions are contained in Articles V and VIII.3:

*"If any of the High Contracting Parties should be the object of an armed attack in Europe, the other High Contracting Parties will, in accordance with the provisions of Article 51 of the Charter of the United Nations, afford the Party so attacked all*

*military and other aid and assistance in their power." (Article V)*

*"At the request of any of the High Contracting Parties, the Council shall be immediately convened in order to permit them to consult with regard to any situation which may constitute a threat to peace, in whatever area this threat should arise, or a danger to economic stability." (Article VIII.3)*

In November 1988, a Protocol of Accession was signed by the WEU Member States adding Portugal and Spain, and the ratification process was completed in March 1990, thereby growing the WEU to 9 members--just one nation shy of the ten required in the prophecy.

Greece followed a similar process in 1992 and 1995 thus bringing the total WEU membership to exactly 10 Member Voting States. Decades after the Brussels Treaty was initially signed, and at its dissolution, the voting nations remained at 10, just as prophecy predicted.

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Daniel 7:6-7











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The original formation of the Western European Union (WEU) represented by the blue logo of stars was, in fact, another piece of the end-time puzzle slipping into place. Even secular observers have tapped into the prophetic undertones that can be traced back to the idea that the Western European Union (WEU), which began with the Brussels Treaty in 1948—just two months before Israel became a nation, was a step toward the fulfillment of prophecies about the ten-horned political beast in Daniel 7 and Revelation 13. The treaty started with five-member nations, and eventually grew to ten Member Voting States. Although today the WEU has been absorbed into the European Union, the most power ten nations represent the whole of Europe and this prophecy. To visit the original Western European Union website, go to [www.weu.int](http://www.weu.int) where you will find the original treaties, the articles, and the list of 10 Member States and the other associated nations, now part of the 27-member European Union. For additional information on the modern Western European Union, visit [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Western\\_European\\_Union](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Western_European_Union)



WEU (Western European Union)—10 Member Voting States (Also members of the EU and NATO)	
 Belgium (1948)	 Germany (1954)
 France (1948)	 Italy (1954)
 Luxembourg (1948)	 Portugal (1990)
 Netherlands (1948)	 Spain (1990)
 United Kingdom (1948)	 Greece (1995)

9. John's counterpart animal in Revelation 6:7-8 is what color horse? \_\_\_\_\_

10. The Pale Horse's rider is given a name. What is it, and what follows him? \_\_\_\_\_

*Its rider was named Death, and hell [or "hades"—the grave] follows close behind him. As in Daniel 7:7 where the fourth Beast is dreadful, terribly strong, and deadly, John emphasized the appalling acts of the fourth Pale Horse and its rider; they are the most dreadful of the four horses and riders. This fourth military Beast, identified as the Western Europe Union, kills, and destroys. Wherever horse and rider go, death and the grave follow close behind.*

11. How much of the earth is this military horse and rider given power over (Revelation 6:8)? \_\_\_\_\_

*Notice the horse and rider rules over one-fourth of the earth, which signifies the rider dominates from a large geographical area.*

12. What four elements of punishment are assigned to the rider, as seen in the verse above? \_\_\_\_\_

*This terrible power kills with four judgments—the same four judgments which in the ancient Scriptures warned the people of Israel they would face if they ever forget God's Covenant: sword, hunger, death and wild animals. It would be easy to overlook the four judgments as unimportant details, but they are vital to our understanding of last-day events.*

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"How much more when I send my four sore judgments upon Jerusalem, the sword, and the famine, and the noisome beasts, and the pestilence, to cut of from it man and beast? Yet, behold, therein shall be left a remnant that shall be brought forth, both sons and daughters... they shall come forth... and you shall be comforted concerning the evil that I have brought upon Jerusalem," (Ezekiel 14:21-22, KJV).

The four judgments warning of Leviticus 26:14-16-32 starts with these words, "If you [the Israelites] will not listen to Me and carry out all these commands, and if you will reject My decrees and abhor My laws and fail to carry out all My commands and so violate My Covenant [Ten Commandments—Deuteronomy 4:13], then I will do this to you," (NIV).

The four judgments against Israel are clearly laid out in Leviticus 26, as God's means of turning His people from sin to save the few who will respond in repentance. When God's chosen fail to listen to His instructions, which includes the divine evidence that Yeshua is Messiah (Matthew 23:37-39) to follow after Antichrist (and sadly, most will continue in their rebellion), He promises desolation and to multiply their affliction "seven times over" (vs. 18, 21), which in the book of Revelation seems to point to the seven trumpet punishments.

However, God is committed to saving a remnant of Israel who will listen, obey, and accept Messiah's kingship: "When thou art in tribulation, and all these things are come upon thee, even in the latter days, if thou turn to the LORD thy God, and shall be obedient unto His voice. For the LORD thy God is a merciful God; He will not forsake thee," (Deuteronomy 4:30-31, KJV).

**13. Daniel was troubled by the vision, so he asked the true meaning (Daniel 7:16-17). What does verse 17 clarify about the four beasts?** \_\_\_\_\_

*They are four kings, or kingdoms, that will rise from the earth.*

**14. What is the promise given in behalf of the faithful believers, despite the persecution that comes from the four governmental creatures (Daniel 7:18)?** \_\_\_\_\_

We have discovered that both Daniel 7 and Revelation 6 employ symbolic animal creatures. The fourth and most dangerous creature is called the "Beast" in Daniel, while the fourth and most dangerous Pale Horse sports a Rider named "Death" in the book of Revelation. The four represents the four global regions of end-time governments around the globe, separate and distinct from one another.

In Revelation 13:1-2, John also relates seeing "a Beast coming out of the sea. He had ten horns and seven heads, with ten crowns on his horns, and on each head a blasphemous name. The *Beast* I saw resembled a *Leopard*, but had feet like those of a *Bear* and a mouth like that of a *Lion*." So, what Daniel saw as separate and distinct in Daniel's vision, in the book of Revelation we find a combination of the animal creatures of Daniel 7:1-7 working as one monstrous political *Beast*.

In today's world, we might hear this global alignment of nations called the *New World Order*, the *Grand Design*, the *Society of Nations*, or a similar name. How do we know for sure the prophet John is describing the same government creatures Daniel saw? Not only are they the same animals (Beast, Leopard, Bear and Lion), but we can also count the identical number of heads and horns found in both visions—the separate beasts of Daniel 7:1-7, compared to the combined beast of Revelation 13:1-2. This again shows that the book of Revelation is an enlargement of Daniel's mysterious scroll, written centuries before. The box below visually depicts the harmony between the two prophetic books.

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### The New World Order in Daniel *Before* the Global Upheaval of World War III

Daniel 7:1-7

Four Beasts Out of the Sea

Lion With Eagle's Wings .....	1 Head.....0 Horns
Bear With Three Ribs .....	1 Head.....0 Horns
Leopard With Four Heads/Four Wings .....	4 Heads.....0 Horns
Terrible <b>Beast</b> With Ten Horns .....	1 Head.....10 Horns
Total: New World Order .....	7 Heads...10 Horns

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### The New World Order in Revelation *After* the Global Upheaval of World War III

Revelation 13:1-2

One **Beast** Out of the Sea

Like A <b>Leopard</b> , Feet of a <b>Bear</b> , Mouth of a <b>Lion</b> With Seven Heads and Ten Horns .....	7 Heads...10 Horns
Total: New World Order.....	7 Heads...10 Horns

*While Daniel describes the four end-time powers as separate and distinct beasts, five hundred years later the prophet John saw all four in vision combined and working as one. This is the New World Order (Grand Design) described in both prophetic books. In both Daniel and Revelation, the emergence of the beasts from the sea heralds the world leader who will rise out of the war and chaos of World War III to rule for 1260 days.*

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Lion With Eagle's Wings represents .....	United Kingdom/ United States
Bear With Three Ribs represents .....	Russian Federation
Leopard With Four Heads/ Four Wings .....	China & Asian Nations
Terrible Beast With Ten Horns .....	Western European Union

In the fascinating book, The Keys Of This Blood, published by Simon and Schuster in 1990 and written by the former Dr. Malachi Martin, eminent theologian, former Jesuit and professor at the Vatican's Pontifical Biblical Institute and devout Roman Catholic, the author offers a behind the scenes look at what the Vatican considered a race for world dominance. Dr. Martin wrote of John Paul's conviction that one day the Papal leader will rule worldwide as the moral and spiritual leader of mankind, resulting from a great crisis of which the Soviet Union would be the instigator. We will study this subject further in Lesson 6.

Concerning the division of world powers, Dr. Martin wrote on page 349, "In the arena of the millennium end-game... in the Pontiff's geopolitical reckoning, there are chiefly *four regions* in which the near-future society of nations will be fashioned: the *United States*, the *Soviet Union*, mainland *China* and *Western Europe*," (emphasis added). Intellectuals in high places long ago had their finger on the pulse of the nations and the global political landscape and noted this four-way division of power in the world, having publicly stated so.

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Daniel 7:6-7

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Even today, the status of “great powers” is formally recognized in conferences such as the Congress of Vienna and the United Nations Security Council, which is made up of the most lethal world powers: United Kingdom and the United States—(the Lion with Eagle’s Wings), Russia—(the Bear), China—(part of the Leopard), and France—(part of the European Beast), which serve as the body's five permanent members. As we have studied the four, world powerbases in both Daniel and Revelation, we see the exact four regions that secular sources point out as divisions of global strength. And “great powers with United Nation P5 membership, and recognized nuclear weapons status are 1) the United Kingdom and the United States, 2) Russia, 3) China, and 4) France,” according to Wikipedia.

We serve an all-knowing awesome God, who gave His prophet Daniel a vision of the worldwide political panorama thousands of years in advance and relayed that information through symbolism—the British Lion, American Eagle, Russian Bear, Asian Leopard and 10 Horn European Beast—known to represent the most influential powers of the 21st Century around the globe.

Let these holy words of wisdom guide and encourage you in the many decisions must face in the final days. "We have also a more sure word of prophecy... whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shines in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts: Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the Scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man; but holy men of God spoke as they were moved by the Holy Ghost," (2 Peter 1:19-21, KJV).

Jesus adds, "Howbeit when He, the Spirit of truth, is come, He will guide you into all truth: for He shall not speak of Himself: but whatsoever He shall hear, that shall He speak: and He will show you things to come. He shall glorify Me; for He shall receive of mine, and shall show it unto you." Yeshua finished with these words, "These things I have spoken unto you, that in Me you might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation; but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world," (John 16:13-14, 33, KJV).

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