March 15, 2015 Daniel 7

Where Is Your Faith?

Introduction

Context of Daniel (Chapters 2-7)

(2) Gentile domination until God's everlasting Kingdom (shown as a statue)

(3) God's men persecuted for their trust in Him (not willing to worship a statue)

(4) Prideful Gentile ruler humbled by God and saved (Nebuchadnezzar)

(5) Prideful Gentile ruler humbled by God and judged (Belshazzar)

(6) God's man persecuted for his trust in Him (willing to be thrown to the **beasts**)

(7) Gentile domination until God's everlasting Kingdom (shown as _____)

Kingdom	Symbol (Dan. 2)	Interpretation	Symbol (Dan. 7)	Interpretation
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Discussion Questions

- 1. What do you see happening politically in the world around us today? How would you describe it? What are the common emotions you experience as you consider all of this?
- 2. How often do you think about the future? In what way do you think about the future? Are you looking forward to it or do you have some other view of it? Why?
- 3. As you consider the faithful saints of the past in Hebrews 11, what do you think their view of the future was? How do you think that affected their daily lives?
- 4. What is significant about the heavenly courtroom scene in Daniel 7:10-14? In other words, what truth do you learn about God's character and His plan?
- 5. Why do you think God gave the Gentiles (through Daniel) this prophecy regarding the future kingdoms? Why is it helpful for us today?
- 6. What connections do you see between Daniel 7 and Revelation 12-13? How many years apart were these two prophecies written? Given that most conservative futurist scholars would interpret the events from Revelation 13 as still to be fulfilled, what part of the prophecy from Daniel 7 is still future?
- 7. How should all of this prophetic discussion affect your view of God and His Word?
- 8. How should all of this affect the way that you should live?
- 9. How should all of this affect the way that you talk to others who know Jesus? Who don't know Jesus?