



Unshakable- Daniel and the Four Beasts

Daniel 7

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STORIES INFORM HOW WE UNDERSTAND GOD

Daniel 7:1-12(MSG)

In the first year of the reign of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream. What he saw as he slept in his bed terrified him—a real nightmare. Then he wrote out his dream: 2-3 “In my dream that night I saw the four winds of heaven whipping up a great storm on the sea. Four huge animals, each different from the others, ascended out of the sea. 4 “The first animal looked like a lion, but it had the wings of an eagle. While I watched, its wings were pulled off. It was then pulled erect so that it was standing on two feet like a man. Then a human heart was placed in it. 5 “Then I saw a second animal that looked like a bear. It lurched from side to side, holding three ribs in its jaws. It was told, ‘Attack! Devour! Fill your belly!’ 6 “Next I saw another animal. This one looked like a panther. It had four birdlike wings on its back. This animal had four heads and was made to rule. 7 “After that, a fourth animal appeared in my dream. This one was a grisly horror—hideous. It had huge iron teeth. It crunched and swallowed its victims. Anything left over, it trampled into the ground. It was different from the other animals—this one was a real monster. It had ten horns. 8 “As I was staring at the horns and trying to figure out what they meant, another horn sprouted up, a little horn. Three of the original horns were pulled out to make room for it. There were human eyes in this little horn, and a big mouth speaking arrogantly. 9-10 “As I was watching all this,

*“Thrones were set in place
and The Old One sat down.
His robes were white as snow,
his hair was white like wool.
His throne was flaming with fire,
its wheels blazing.*

*A river of fire
poured out of the throne.
Thousands upon thousands served him,
tens of thousands attended him.
The courtroom was called to order,
and the books were opened.
11-13 "I kept watching. The little horn was speaking arrogantly. Then, as I watched,
the monster was killed and its body cremated in a roaring fire. The other animals lived
on for a limited time, but they didn't really do anything, had no power to rule. My
dream continued.*

GOD SHOWS US HOW THE WORLD CAN BE

Daniel 7:13-14 (MSG)
13-14
*"I saw a human form, a son of man,
arriving in a whirl of clouds.
He came to The Old One
and was presented to him.
He was given power to rule—all the glory of royalty.
Everyone—race, color, and creed—had to serve him.
His rule would be forever, never ending.
His kingly rule would never be replaced.
15-16 "But as for me, Daniel, I was disturbed. All these dream-visions had me agitated.*

WHO WILL YOUR LIFE REFLECT?

Revelation 21:1-4 (NIV)
*Then I saw "a new heaven and a new earth,"[a] for the first heaven and the first earth
had passed away, and there was no longer any sea. 2 I saw the Holy City, the new
Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride beautifully
dressed for her husband. 3 And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, "Look!
God's dwelling place is now among the people, and he will dwell with them. They will
be his people, and God himself will be with them and be their God. 4 'He will wipe every
tear from their eyes. There will be no more death'[b] or mourning or crying or pain, for
the old order of things has passed away."*