

Outlines of Daniel

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- I. **Daniel the Prisoner** – Chapter 1

- II. **Daniel the Interpreter** – Chapters 2-6
 - Interpreting Nebuchadnezzar’s dream of the image – 2
 - Nebuchadnezzar erects a golden image (Daniel absent) – 3
 - Interpreting Nebuchadnezzar’s dream of the tree – 4
 - Interpreting the handwriting on the wall (Belshazzar) – 5
 - Daniel in the lion’s den – 6

- III. **Daniel the Seer** – Chapters 7-12
 - Vision of the 4 beasts – 7
 - Vision of the ram & the he-goat – 8
 - Vision of Israel’s 70 weeks – 9
 - Vision of Israel’s future and the end – 10-12

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The first half of the book shows Daniel interpreting the dreams of others. In the second half of the book Daniel is given visions of his own that reveal the future of his people. The book of Daniel is not arranged chronologically. The chronological order would appear as follows:

- Chapter 1 – Captivity (605-604 B.C.)
- Chapter 2 – Nebuchadnezzar’s dream of the image (602 B.C.)
- Chapter 3 - Nebuchadnezzar’s Golden image
- Chapter 4 – Nebuchadnezzar’s dream of the tree and his humiliation
- Chapter 7 – Daniel’s vision of the four beasts (556 B.C.)
- Chapter 8 – Daniel’s vision of the ram and the he goat (554 B.C.)
- Chapter 5 – Belshazzar’s feast – Babylon falls (539 B.C.)
- Chapter 9 – Daniel’s vision of 70 weeks (538 B.C.)
- Chapter 6 – Darius’ decree / Daniel & the lion’s den (Daniel was about 80)
- Chapters 10-12 – Daniel’s closing visions