



Holding the Lion

in turbulent times

"The people who know their God shall be strong and do great things!"

Daniel 8.1-27

understanding the passage

- the sequel to Dan.7
- the switch to Hebrew
- the parallel with Dan.3

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Jesus saves!

domination (vv.3-12)

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the vision

the ram

(539-331 BC)

- Medo/Persian kingdom

the goat

(331-63 BC)

- Greece – Alexander the Great

the 4 horns

- Ptolemy: Seleucus: Philip: Antigonus

the 'little' horn

(175-164 BC)

- Antiochus IV (Epiphanes)

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characteristics

- imperious
- precarious
- rebellious

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persecution (vv.13-14)

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- the concern of heaven
- the number of days
- the promise of Jesus

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liberation (vv.15-25)

victory's already secured for believers

- the coming of Jesus
- the power of God
- the death of defiance

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