

Second Vision Interpreted Daniel 8:15-27

I. EXHORTATION: "give...understanding" (vv.15-19)

A. Answers: "Gabriel...came near" (vv.15-17)

1. Teaching: "the vision...I sought to understand" (vv.15-16)
2. Timing: "the vision pertains to...the end" (v.17)

B. Assistance: "I am going to let you know" (vv.18-19)

1. Personally: "he...made me stand upright" (v.18)
2. Prophetically: "what will occur at the final period" (v.19)

II. EXPLANATION: "ram...goat...horns...king"(vv.20-26)

A. Domination: "kings...and...kingdoms" (vv.20-22)

1. Medo-Persia: "The ram...the two horns" (v.20)
2. Greece: "the goat...large/broken horn...four horns" (vv.21-22)

B. Desolation: "a king will arise" (vv.23-26)

1. Syria: "in the latter period of their (four horns) rule" (v.23a)
2. Special: "insolent and skilled...he will magnify" (vv.23b-25)
3. Secret: "vision... is true; but keep the vision secret" (v.26)

III. EXHAUSTION: "exhausted...astounded" (v.27)

A. Physically: "exhausted and sick" (v.27a)

B. Spiritually: "astounded...none to explain it" (v.27b)

Next Week: "Daniel's Humble Prayer"
Read: Daniel 9:1-19