

## Daniel's dream of the four beasts



In chapters 7-12 you read of dreams, visions and revelations received by Daniel. They all have a prophetic content and deal with the history of Israel and the world empires of the immediate future and the end times.

At the beginning, four beasts come up out of the sea: A lion with wings like an eagle, a bear, a leopard with birds' wings and a "dreadful, terrible and exceedingly strong beast". It has ten horns, and between them, a little horn comes up which has eyes and a mouth, speaking pompous (or boastful) words. Then an "Ancient of Days" appears on a fiery throne. Judgment takes place. Someone "like the Son of Man" is given eternal dominion and glory by the Ancient of Days. This all sounds mysterious – and tomorrow the mystery will be lifted.



29. The expression "Son of Man" also appears in the New Per Testament. Who is meant there?

30. Which judgment does verse 10 remind you of?

After the rapture of the Christians, a time of tribulation, lasting seven years, will begin, in which Satan will expand his power over the earth and the people of Israel will suffer especially. At the end the Lord Jesus will appear and judge the nations and the godless Jews and will establish His reign of 1000 years. At the end of that, Satan will be released once more, but be judged in the end.

> The Lord Jesus will judge everyone one day. Are you prepared?



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The Lord Jesus, who calls Himself the Son of Man (for example Matthew 16:13). Of the judgment at the great white throne. Books are opened there, too (Revelation 20:11-15)>