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Study to shew thyself approved unto God" (2 Tim 2:15)

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- Under Nebuchadnezzar, Babylon was the first of history's four great Gentile world empires

Dan 2:31-33,37-38

31 Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness *was* excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof *was* terrible.

32 This image's head *was* of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass,

33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay.

37 Thou, O king, *art* a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

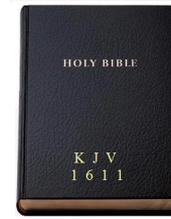
38 And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. Thou *art* this head of gold.

Dan 7:3,17

3 And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.

17 These great beasts, which are four, *are* four kings, *which* shall arise out of the earth.

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- Babylon was the instrument God used to bring about the captivity of Judah and destruction of the first temple at Jerusalem (Jer 52:12-13,28-30)
- Babylon fell to the Medes and Persians under the command of Cyrus the Great (Isa 45:1; Dan 5:30-31)
- BABYLON appears 12x in the NT (Matt 1:11-12,17; Acts 7:43; 1 Pet 5:13; Rev 14:8; 16:19; 17:5; 18:2,10,21)
- While a church was established at Babylon (because of a Jewish remnant there), it eventually became a barren wasteland, which it is today

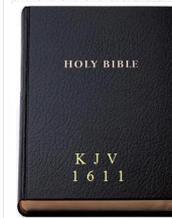
1 Pet 5:13

The church that is at Babylon, elected together with *you*, saluteth you; and *so doth* Marcus my son.

Isa 13:19-20

19 And Babylon, the glory of kingdoms, the beauty of the Chaldees' excellency, shall be as when God overthrew Sodom and Gomorrah.

20 It shall never be inhabited, neither shall it be dwelt in from generation to generation: neither shall the Arabian pitch tent there; neither shall the shepherds make their fold there.



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