

Daniel

Hope For The People of God

Structure Of Daniel

- Genre is: Narrative, Historical, Prophetic
- Contains: History, Prophecy, Apocalyptic Visions
- Written by: Daniel during the Babylonian Captivity (605 BC to 539) BC
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- Written in two languages, Hebrew(1:1-2:3, 8:1-12:13) and Aramaic (2:4-7:28)
- Overall Theme and Message: Hope of the people of God, and that God of Israel is Sovereign of the universe (4:34)

Timeline of Daniel

- 620 BC: Birth of Daniel
- 605 BC, 597 BC, 586 BC: Nebuchadnezzar invades Judah, Temple destroyed 586 BC
- 605BC: Daniel deported
- 602 BC: Nebuchadnezzar's dream
- 573 BC: Nebuchadnezzar driven insane
- 566 BC: Nebuchadnezzar restored
- 539 BC: Belshazzar's Feast

Timeline of Daniel Cont.

- 539 BC: Cyrus of Persia Conquers Babylon
- 538 BC: Cyrus decrees release of Jews
- 536 BC: Temple reconstruction begins
- 536 BC: Daniel in the lion's den
- 530 BC: Daniel's last vision

Timeline in Scripture

- Daniel and friends taken into captivity (1:1-7)
- Daniel and the King's food (1:8-16)
- Daniel and the King's reward (1:17-21)
- Daniel and the King's dream (2:1-49)
- Daniel's friends and the fiery furnace (3:1-30)
- Nebuchadnezzar's pride, madness, and repentance (4:1-37)
- Belshazzar's feast and the writing on the wall (5:1-30)

Timeline in Scripture Cont.

- Daniel in the lion's den (6:1-28)
- Daniel's vision of the four beasts, the Ancient of days, and the Son of Man (7:1-37)
- Daniel's vision of the ram and the male goat (8:1-27)
- Daniel's prayer and the vision of the 70 weeks (9:1-27)
- Daniel and his final visions (10:1-12:13)

Closing Thoughts on Daniel
