

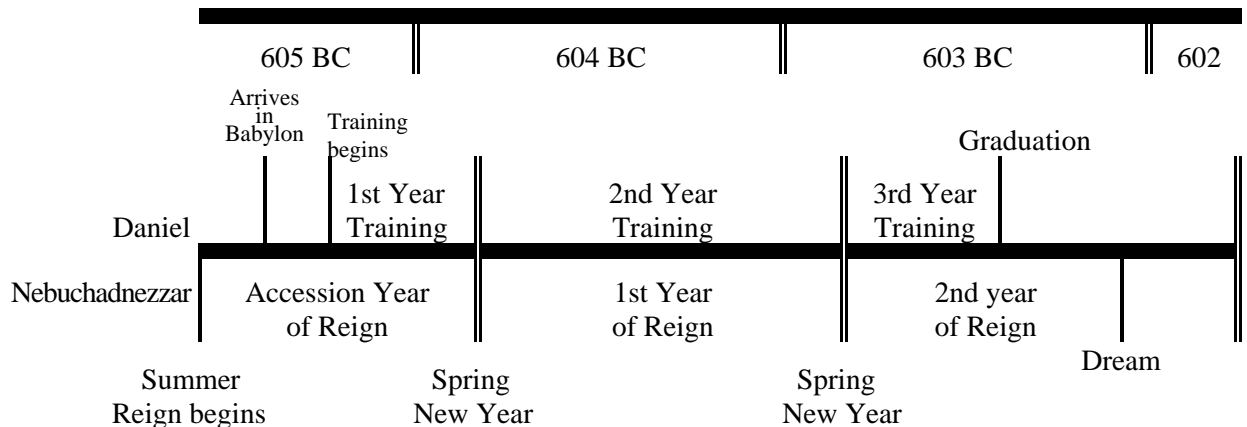
Old Book for a New Day

Seminar on the Bible book of Daniel - #2

Daniel 2 - *Prophetic Nightmare*

I. Chronology of Daniel 2:1 (855) - Late 603 or early 602 BC

- A. Accession Year Reckoning for the Reign of Kings - Used in Judah and Babylon
 1. From accession to the throne until the next New Year = Accession Year
 2. First "New Year" after accession begins the 1st Year of reign
 3. Years of reign are counted from New Year to New Year
- B. Inclusive Reckoning for Calculating passage of time - Applied to Daniel's three years training
 1. From the beginning of studies until the next New Year = 1st Year
 2. From New Year to New Year = 2nd Year
 3. From New Year until Graduation - anytime before next New Year = 3rd Year
- C. Babylonian New Year = Vernal Equinox - When sun crosses equator in the spring - About March 21
- D. Inclusive and Accession Year Reckoning synchronize Daniel's training with Nebuchadnezzar's reign



II. Meeting Babylon's "Wise" Men - Daniel 2:2 (855)

- A. Magicians -
- B. Astrologers -
- C. Sorcerers -
- D. Chaldeans -
- E. God's opinion of these wise men
 1. Deuteronomy 18:9-14 (198) -
 2. Isaiah 47:13,14 (709) -
 3. Also see Leviticus 19:31 (121); 20:6,27; Isaiah 8:19,20 (671)

III. The History of the Word Previewed - Daniel 2:31-45 - Dream of the Great Image

A. Head of Gold -

vs.32,37-38

B. Chest and Arms of Silver -

vs.23,29

See also 5:30,31; 8:20

Isaiah 13:17-19 (676)

Jeremiah 51:11,28 (788)

C. Belly and Thighs of Bronze -

vs.33,40

See also 8:20,21

D. Legs of Iron -

vs.33,40

E. Feet of Iron and Clay -

vs.33,41-43

1. "Partly strong and partly fragile" (v.42)

2. "Mingle with the seed of men" (v.43)

3. "Will not adhere to one another" (v.43)

F. Stone -

vs.34-35,44-45

Isaiah 28:16 (688)

1 Corinthians 10:4 (1132)

Matthew 21:42-44 (968)

Luke 20:17-18 (1035)

Acts 4:11 (1076)

1 Peter 2:4-8 (1199)

1. "Cut out without hands" (v.45)

2. The threshing (v.35) - Matthew 13:24-30,36-40 (957)

3. "Became a great mountain and filled the whole earth" (v.35)



IV. SUMMARY - "The dream is certain, and its interpretation is sure" - Daniel 2:45

A. Track Record = Basis for FAITH

B. Promise of God

1. 2 Peter 1:19-21 (1203)

2. Amos 3:7 (888)

C. The BASIC Bible Prophecy

D. Jehovah wins a round in the "Challenge of the God's"