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A MAN AND A BOOK CALLED  
**DANIEL**

PART 23:

**THE LITTLE HORN AND IT'S WAR WITH THE SAINTS**

*Reading: Daniel 7:7 - 8 & 19 - 25*

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### **Introduction**

- Daniel sees 4 terrible beasts symbolising 4 successive great empires/powers:
- 1st - The Babylonian Kingdom.
- 2nd - The Media/Persian Empire.
- 3rd - The Grecian Empire.
- 4th - The Pagan Roman Empire.
- All of them arrayed against the Kingdom/rule of God on earth.

### **1 The 4th Beast Of Pagan Rome**

- This kingdom had its genesis on the 7 hills of Rome.
- Encompassed most of continental Europe, western Asia and N. Africa.
- Ruled by it's Caesars who developed Caesar worship.
- Caesars used the title '*Pontifex Maximus.*'
- Massacred over 1 million Jews in AD70.
- Declared Christianity as '*illegal religion.*'
- Up until 312AD responsible for killing 10/12 million Christians.

- In 313AD emperor Constantine '**converts**' to Christianity.
- Within 10 years Christianity is the official religion of the empire.
- However the church becomes '**paganised**!' (The '**falling away**' of 2 Thessalonians 2:3)
- The bishop of Rome becomes the dominant bishop.

## 2 The 10 Horns

- In AD476 Roman empire fragmented into 10 kingdoms.
- [Vs 8]. A '**little horn**' emerging from the beast subdues 3 of those kingdoms.
- Emperor Justinian (head of government) and bishop of Rome (head of church) unite.
- Led to the pope's dictatorship.

## 3 The Little Horn - The Papacy

- The little horn emerged from the 4th beast.
- History identifies the '**papacy**' as emerging from pagan Rome.
- The mouth of this '**little horn**' would speak pompous things and blasphemies. [Revelation 13:5].
- [Matthew 23:5] Not to call any man '**father**' in a religious sense.
- The '**doctrines**' of Rome are its pompous words.

## 4 The Little Horn Makes War With The Saints

- In AD1184 the Council of Verona instituted the '**Inquisition**'.
- History charges the papacy with the deaths of some 50 million of the saints.
- **NB.** [Vs 25] '**a time (360) times (360x2=720) & half a time (180).**'  
**TOTAL 1260.**
- 1260 prophetic days/1260 literal years.

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