

DAY 40: THE FATAL HEAD WOUND OF THE BEAST

And I saw a beast rising out of the sea, with ten horns and seven heads, with ten diadems on its horns and blasphemous names on its heads. 2 And the beast that I saw was like a leopard; its feet were like a bear's, and its mouth was like a lion's mouth. And to it the dragon gave his power and his throne and great authority. 3 One of its heads seemed to have a mortal wound, but its mortal wound was healed, and the whole earth marveled as they followed the beast. 4 And they worshiped the dragon, for he had given his authority to the beast, and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast, and who can fight against it?" ([Revelation 13:1-4](#))

I. THE FATAL HEAD WOUND

- A. In the End Times, during the rise of Satan and the Antichrist, the Antichrist will suffer a fatal head wound and be healed ([Revelation 13:3](#))
 - 1. Like a mock-resurrection
- B. Another interpretation could be that an empire dies and is then resurrected
- C. Or, both could happen

II. THE BEAST AND THE KINGDOMS

- A. He was, and is not, and is about to come up ([Revelation 17:8-13](#))
- B. Mountains and the woman represent kingdoms and kings ([Revelation 17:9](#))
- C. Scripture is trying to warn us about the ultimate coming of the Antichrist, this is why the tenses may sometimes jump from discussing "it" to "he"
- D. It can sometimes be difficult to determine if scriptures are referring to a coalition of kingdoms or a person, the Antichrist himself

III. THE FINAL KINGDOM

- A. The final kingdom of the Antichrist is likely a combination of the previous three kingdoms ([Daniel 2](#))
- B. The feet (mixed iron and clay) can be interpreted two ways:
 - 1. A revived Roman Empire
 - 2. A Revised Islamic Caliphate (more likely)
- C. Daniel states that Nebuchadnezzar is the head of gold (v. 38)
 - 1. It can be hard to separate king and kingdom

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- D. Then, in the sister prophecy, we see that the fourth beast represents the fourth, final kingdom ([Daniel 7:22-25](#))
 - 1. One kingdom, two parts
- E. The fourth beast is different from the others; it is destructive ([Daniel 7:7-8](#))
- F. Daniel contemplates the little horn until he sees that it is destroyed ([Daniel 7:11-12](#))
 - 1. The beast itself is not boasting, the little horn is
 - 2. The little horn is steering the beast
 - 3. As a result of the Antichrist's arrogance, the whole kingdom is destroyed

IV. THE REVIVAL FROM THE HEAD WOUND

- A. Satan can't do real miracles, he performs "false wonders" ([2 Thessalonians 2:9](#))
 - 1. This is why it can be hard to believe that the fatal head wound will actually cause the Antichrist to die and be resurrected
 - 2. God is the giver of life, Satan cannot give life
 - 3. This passage does relate back to Pharaoh and his false magicians
- B. In [Daniel 2](#) and [Daniel 7](#), we have already seen the revival of kingdoms
- C. It could make more sense that this revival in [Revelation 13:1-4](#) is actually relating to a kingdom, multiple nations coming together
 - 1. The combination of Middle Eastern nations would be a great force