334 - Come Thou Fount

Come, Thou Fount of every blessing, tune my heart to sing Thy grace; streams of mercy, never ceasing, call for songs of loudest praise. Teach me ever to adore Thee, May I still Thy goodness prove, While the hope of endless glory, Fills my heart with joy and love.

334 - Come Thou Fount

Here I raise mine Ebenezer; hither by Thy help I'm come; and I hope, by Thy good pleasure, safely to arrive at home. Jesus sought me when a stranger, wandering from the fold of God; He, to rescue me from danger, interposed His precious blood.

334 - Come Thou Fount

O to grace how great a debtor daily I'm constrained to be! Let Thy goodness, like a fetter, bind me closer still to Thee. Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it, prone to leave the God I love; here's my heart, O take and seal it, seal it for Thy courts above.

Study of Prophecy: "Daniel Chapter Seven"

Presenter:Bro. Samuel LeeVenue:Crane SDA ChurchService:Evangelistic MeetingDate:Sunday, May 4 2014.

Opening Scripture

Daniel 12:4

But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

Patriarchs and Prophets by Ellen G. White (pg. 598) Chap. 58 – The Schools of the Prophets

It is a law of the mind that it gradually adapts itself to the subjects upon which it is trained to dwell. If occupied with commonplace matters only, it will become dwarfed and enfeebled. If never required to grapple with difficult problems, it will after a time almost lose the power of growth. As an educating power the Bible is without a rival. In the word of God the mind finds subject for the deepest thought, the loftiest aspiration. The Bible is the most instructive history that men possess. It came fresh from the fountain of eternal truth, and a divine hand has preserved its purity through all the ages. It lights up the far-distant past, where human research seeks vainly to penetrate. In God's word we behold the power that laid the foundation of the earth and that stretched out the heavens.

Patriarchs and Prophets by Ellen G. White (pg.598) Cont'd Chap. 58 – The Schools of the Prophets

Here only can we find a history of our race unsullied by human prejudice or human pride. Here are recorded the struggles, the defeats, and the victories of the greatest men this world has ever known. Here the great problems of duty and destiny are unfolded. The curtain that separates the visible from the invisible world is lifted, and we behold the conflict of the opposing forces of good and evil, from the first entrance of sin to the final triumph of righteousness and truth; and all is but a revelation of the character of God. In the reverent contemplation of the truths presented in His word the mind of the student is brought into communion with the infinite mind. Such a study will not only refine and ennoble the character, but it cannot fail to expand and invigorate the mental powers.

SESSION 11:

THE VISION INTERPRETED **TO DANIEL**



***** Daniel 7:13, 14.

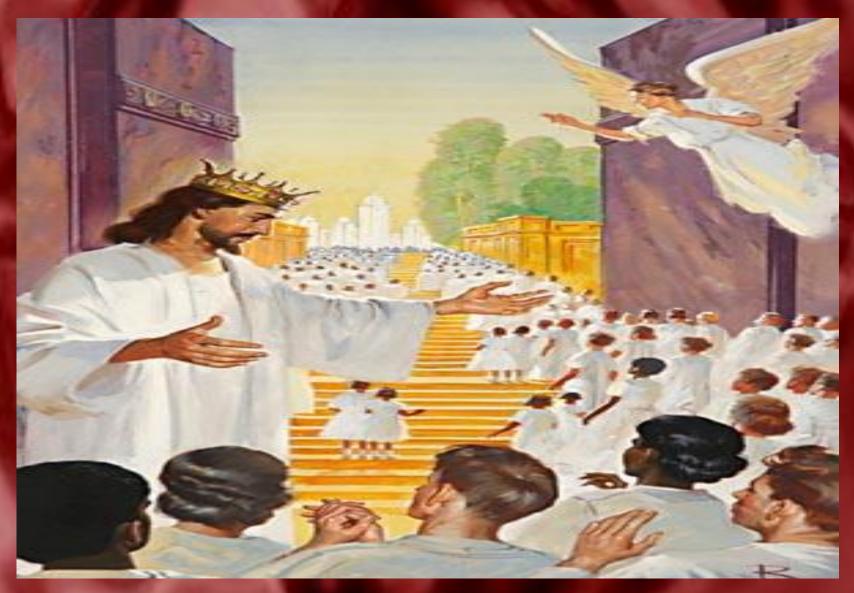
13) I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. 14) And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

The Vision Interpreted to Daniel <u>Biblical Definition of Prophetic Symbols</u> Son of Man = God the Son (Jesus Christ) See Daniel 7:13; 3:24, 25.

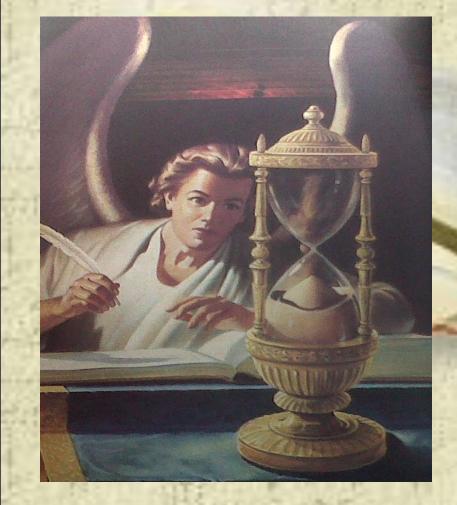
Ancient of Days = God the Father
See Daniel 7:10, 13.

Dominion, Glory & Kingdom given to Jesus = Title of Eternal Kingdom

 See Daniel 7:14
 This Event occurs in Heaven after the Close of Probation



Future Kingdom of Jesus Christ.



***** Daniel 7:15, 16.

15) I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me. 16) I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.



***** Daniel 7:17, 18.

✤17) These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth. 18) But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

Daniel and The Revelation by Uriah Smith (pg. 115) Chap. 7 – The Struggle for World Dominion Vision Interpreted to Daniel.--We should be no less concerned than was Daniel to understand the truth of these things. We have the assurance that when we inquire with sincerity of heart, we shall find the Lord as ready now as in the days of the prophet to lead to a correct understanding of these important truths. The beasts and the kingdoms which they represent, have already been explained. We have followed the prophet through the course of events, even to the destruction of the fourth beast, the final overthrow of all earthly governments.

Understanding the Vision

- a) Daniel had seen the vision in its entirety. Certain portions of that vision troubled him.
- b) Daniel did not fully understand the vision which resulted in his sickness and troubles. Pharoah, Nebuchadnezzar, Belshazzar and John (the Beloved) had similar experiences.
 - See Genesis 41; Daniel 2, 4, 5; Read Revelation 5:4.
- c) Daniel's sickness highlights the importance God attaches to prophecy and man's inability to understand them without Divine help.
 - See Amos 3:7; Genesis 41:16; Daniel 2:30.

Prophets and Kings by E.G. White (pg 547) Chap. 44 – In The Lions' Den

As we near the close of this world's history, the prophecies recorded by Daniel demand our special attention, as they relate to the very time in which we are living. With them should be linked the teachings of the last book of the New Testament Scriptures. Satan has led many to believe that the prophetic portions of the writings of Daniel and of John the revelator cannot be understood. But the promise is plain that special blessing will accompany the study of these prophecies. "The wise shall understand" (verse 10), was spoken of the visions of Daniel that were to be unsealed in the latter days; and of the revelation that Christ gave to His servant John for the guidance of God's people all through the centuries.

Seventh-day Adventist Bible Commentary Volume 4 (pg 830)

Comments on Daniel 7:16. One of Them. This being is not identified. Here, Daniel is still in vision, and the being he addresses is probably one of the attendants at the judgment. Whenever we enquire with a sincere heart for spiritual enlightenment, the Lord has one standing by to help us. Angels are eager to communicate truth to men. They are the ministering spirits (Hebrews 1:14), commissioned by God to bring messages from heaven to earth. (Acts 7:53; Hebrews 2:2; Revelation 1:1)



The Four Beasts: Lion, Bear, Leopard and Dreadful Beast.









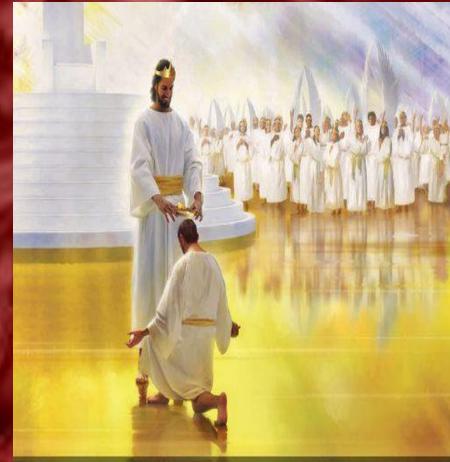
Four Kingdoms: Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece & Rome.

Daniel and The Revelation by Uriah Smith (pg. 115) Chap. 7 – The Struggle for World Dominion

Then the scene changes, for we read, "The saints... shall take the kingdom." Verse 18. The saints! despised, reproached, persecuted, cast out; looked upon as the least likely of all men ever to realize their hopes--these shall take the kingdom, and possess it forever. The usurpation and misrule of the wicked shall come to an end. The inheritance forfeited because of sin shall be redeemed. Peace and righteousness shall reign eternally over all the fair expanse of the earth made new.

Jesus' Promises to His Faithful People (Revelation 2; 3)

For each of the seven churches, Jesus had a promise. For the church of Ephesus, which represents the first century of the Christian church, He said, "If you are faithful, I will let you eat fruit from the tree of life that grows in the paradise of God."



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Rewards of the Faithful.

<u>The Great Controversy by Ellen G. White (pp 594-5)</u> <u>Chap. 37 – The Scriptures A Safeguard</u>

When God sends to men warnings so important that they are represented as proclaimed by holy angels flying in the midst of heaven, He requires every person endowed with reasoning powers to heed the message. The fearful judgments denounced against the worship of the beast and his image, should lead all to a diligent study of the prophecies to learn what the mark of the beast is, and how they are to avoid receiving it. But the masses of the people turn away their ears from hearing the truth, and are turned unto fables. The apostle Paul declared, looking down to the last days, "The time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine." That time has fully come. The multitudes do not want Bible truth, because it interferes with the desires of the sinful, world-loving heart; and Satan supplies the deceptions, which they love.

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