

**Daniel**  
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Monday, 9:30 – 11:00 am  
To be discussed –08/18/25

Daniel – Lesson 8  
Daniel 7:1-28

Chapter 7 begins the second section of the book and contains Daniel's own visions of the future. The book also changes to "apocalyptic" literature filled with metaphors, imagery and symbolism describing mysterious beasts and obscure time periods. Don't get bogged down in what you don't understand for there is mystery here. The events of chapter 7 preceded chapter 5.

1. Read Daniel 7:1-8. What initial feelings are created just from the opening description in v. 2?
2. According to v. 17, what do the four beasts represent? How are each of them described? Does their appearance "fit" with normal animals? Why are they so frightening?
3. Read Daniel 7:9-14. In verse 9 the scene changes to that of a courtroom. Who is the first figure? How is he described? (vv. 9-10) What happened to the boastful horn and the other beasts? (vv. 11-12)
4. Who is the second figure? (vv. 13-14; Mark 13:26, 14:62; Rev. 1:4-7) What was he given?
5. Read Daniel 7:15-28. How did the visions affect Daniel even after he knew the end of the story? (vv. 15, 28) How do they affect you? Why?
6. What was the simple interpretation given by the angel? (vv. 17-18)
7. How is the fourth beast different and more terrifying than the others?
8. What will eventually happen?
9. How would you summarize the meaning of this chapter? What do you think are the dominant themes?