

Dan 2:31-45

“In the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom...”

- **Premillennialism** - Will be estab. at Christ' second coming for 1,000 yrs. (millennium), then the end.
- **Jehovah's Witnesses** - The "stone" cut out in 1914
- **Latter Day Saints** - Kingdom not estab. until time of the fifth kingdom (feet & toes), i.e. 1830, Joseph Smith
- **Seventh Day Adven.** - Toes represent ten kingdoms into which Rome divided. Image still standing. Still in the days of these kings waiting estab. of God's kingdom
- **Infidelity** - Never. No such thing as true prophets.
- **Truth** - Fulfilled in Spiritual Reign of Jesus Christ which began in 1st century & continues to this day.

Four Kingdoms and ONLY Four Kingdoms

- vv39-40 - “another..third..fourth”
- vv40-41 - "it" = fourth kingdom (feet & toes part of FOURTH kingdom)

“In the days of THOSE KINGS [kingdoms]”

- "these kings" v44 = "kingdoms" of vv39-40;
cmpr 7:17...23
- Compare Ruth 1:1
- Before last kingdom disappear - i.e. c. 476 AD
(end of Roman empire)

Kingdom "AT HAND" in 1st century

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- Mt 3:2; 4:17; 10:7 kingdom "at hand"
- Mt 21:34 harvest time "drew near" KJV, NKJV
- Mt 26:18 - "My time is at hand"
- Lk 21:30 - "summer is near"
- Jn 2:13 - Passover was "at hand"

Kingdom IN EXISTENCE in 1st century

Ac 2:34-36; Col 1:13; Heb 12:28; Rev 1:9

Kingdom SPIRITUAL in nature

Jn 18:36-37; Lk 17:20-21

If NOT ...

- *Roman empire of Jesus' day skipped! (FOUR kingdoms)*
- *Present spiritual kingdom of Jesus Christ ignored - or Christ NOT now reigning!*
- *Mark 1:14,15* deceptive - John the Baptist? Jesus?!
- *Heb 12:28* erroneous - another will take its place!
- *Why New Testament not filled with prophecies of future kingdom?*

Other points of Identity...

- "Stone" "cut out without hands" Jn 18:36,37; 6:15; Ac 2:32-36; Psa 2
- "Crushed" these kingdoms ... by truth, faith, love 1Co 2:2; 6:9-11; Col 1:13...3-6...9-12; 1Th 1:9-10...2:13
- "Bec. a great mountain & filled the whole earth"
 - Remark. growth Ac 2:41,47; 4:4; 5:14; 6:1,7; 8:4
 - Univ., all nations Mt 28:19; Mk 16:15; Col 1:23
- "Will never be destroyed...endure forever" Lk 1:33; Heb 12:28; 1Co 15:24-26; 2Pt 1:11; Rev 11:15

Jn 3:5