

CAN only understand Revelation *if you understand Daniel*

7th - 6th Centuries BC



Babylon
Daniel 2:32, 36-38; 7:4
607 B.C.E. King Nebuchadnezzar destroys Jerusalem

6th - 5th Centuries BC



Medo-Persia
Daniel 2:32, 39; 7:5
539 B.C.E. Conquers Babylon
537 B.C.E. Cyrus decrees return of Jews to Jerusalem

4th - 2nd Centuries BC



Greece
Daniel 2:32, 39; 7:6
331 B.C.E. Alexander the Great conquers Persia

2nd BC - 5th AD



Rome
Daniel 2:33, 40; 7:7
63 B.C.E. Rules over Israel
70 C.E. Destroys Jerusalem



Iron mixed with clay
'still future'

AD 100-512 (PERSECUTION!!!) ... TO ALL CHURCHES "I KNOW YOUR WORKS!" ... Dan. 11:28,32; Luke 23:51

The Ram and the Goat

Daniel 8:1-4 In the 3rd year of the reign of king Belshazzar [it's been 3 years] a vision appeared to me subsequent to the one that appeared to me previously [4 beasts] I looked in the vision and I was in: 1] citadel capital of Susa [Shushan] 2] province of Elam and I looked in the vision and I was 3] beside the Ulai Canal



Persian city Susa

Susa capital of Elam with Ulai Canal 230 miles east of Babylon - 150 miles up from Persian Gulf



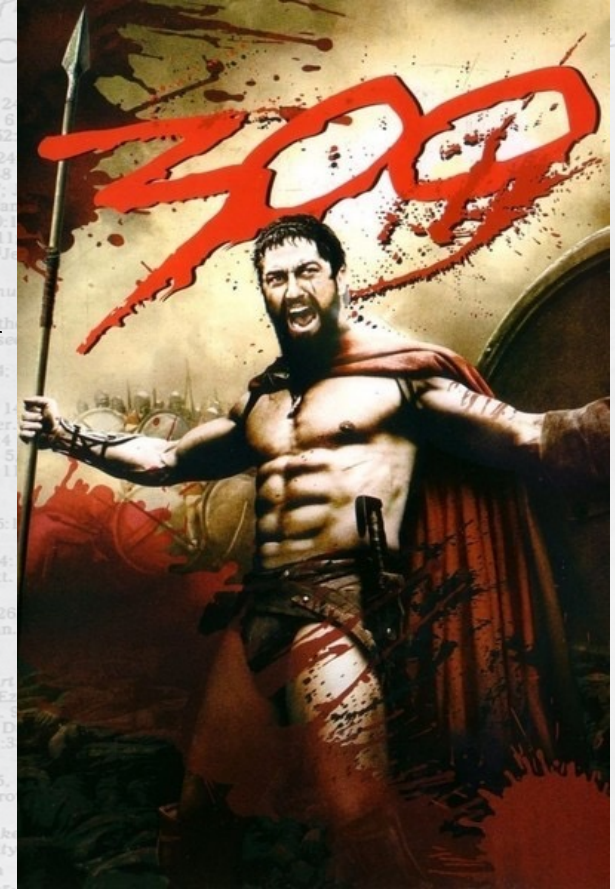
- Nehemiah home base [**Nehemiah 1:1**]
- Esther's home city [**Esther 1:2-5 2:3-5**]
- **Ahasuerus = Xerxes**
- Hammurabi Code found there **1901 AD**
- Xerxes greatly expands capital
- Daniel is there **530's BC**
- 3 years since *exhausting troubling draining prior visions*
- NOTE: Daniel never self-promotes Not presumptive as a *seer-soothsayer in Magi*. Humble as he receives many visions **Dan. 2, 7, 8, 9, 11**

Last 'Ram King' of Persia

Persian King Xerxes 486-465 BC [time of Esther 479] depicted in rams-horns going into battle marching massive '2 million' army west to conquer Greece – legendary story



Greek army holds at narrow cliff-gorge in Thermopylae where Xerxes huge army did not fit. Supporting fleet of ships had big losses in high rains winds huge swells



Daniel's Resolve
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18 Then at the end of the days

Daniel 8:5-8

While I was observing behold - a male goat was coming from the west over the surface of the whole Earth without touching the ground and this goat had a conspicuous horn between his eyes

Alexander the Great's army charging hard coming from the west [Greece-Macedonia] directly into the side of the Media-Persia empire.



The Ram and the Goat

He came up to the ram that had 2 horns, which I saw in front of the Ulai canal - rushed him in his mighty wrath - he was enraged and struck the ram - shattered his two horns - the ram had no strength to withstand him - he hurled him to the ground - trampled him and there was none to rescue the ram from his power - the male goat magnified himself exceedingly but then the large horn was broken, in its place came 4 conspicuous horns toward the four winds [ruach] of heaven:

- 1 Ptolemy** [Arabia Egypt Palestine]
- 2 Seleucus** [Babylon and Syria to India]
- 3 Cassander** [Greece and Macedonia]
- 4 Lysimachus** [Bithynia Thrace Asia]

[Background: A collage of Bible verses from Daniel 8 and other books, including Joshua, 1 Samuel, and Isaiah. The text is semi-transparent and serves as a backdrop for the main content.]

Alexander the Goat



- Alexander age 20 succeeds his father Philip of Macedon [Macedonia]

Macedonia's symbol was the one-horned goat

Pagan Zodiac Greeks are Capricorn [goat]

Greek: caper-hornu = "goat single horn"

- May 334 BC age 26 defeats Persians at River Granicus

- Nov. 333 age 27 defeats Persians at Issus [NE coast of Mediterranean]

- Oct. 331 age 29 final conquest of Persians at Gaugamela-Nineveh

Perfect fit with 3rd beast from Daniel 7 winged leopard with 4 heads

- Makes Babylon his Empire's citadel-capital

- Greek Empire is MASSIVE: Mediterranean to India 'Hindu-Kush' age 30

He is "single horn" broken at age 32

Four army generals divide up the Empire

The Ram and the Goat

Daniel 8:9-14 Out of one of the horns came forth a **rather small "little" horn** which grew exceedingly great toward the South, the East, and toward the Beautiful Land [to the West] this horn grew up to the host [angelic multitudes] of heaven and caused some of these host and some of the stars to fall to the earth [1/3rd cast down with Lucifer] and it trampled them down it even **magnified itself to be equal with the Commander of the host** [Isaiah 14]

a LOT going on here - Could read: "the power behind this horn exalted himself among the angels in heaven causing some of them to follow after him as he was cast down to the Earth, where he corrupted God's creation because he said five times in his heart, 'I will...' with the fifth boastful covet 'I will make myself like the Most High'"

Very similar to **Ezekiel 28** beginning with the 'king of Tyre' but decidedly switching to "the power behind that king"

Legacy from Lucifer's original sin - corrupting 1/3rd of the heavenly hosts - ALL cast from heaven - then thru history [Eve Nephilim various kings Herod killing the infants] thru to is the 'son of perdition' - ONE continuous effort of boastful-arrogant disobedience!

Ezekiel verses 18-19 by the multitude of your iniquities in the unrighteousness of your duties you profaned your sanctuaries so I brought fire from the midst of you and it consumed you - I have turned you to ashes on the earth in the eyes of all who see you - all who know you among the peoples are appalled at you - you have become terrified and you will cease to be forever

continues in **Isaiah 14:4** take up this taunt against the [power behind] king of Babylon and say, "How the oppressor has ceased and how fury has ceased"

verse 9 Sheol from beneath is excited to meet you when you come - it arouses the spirits of the dead - all the leaders of the earth - kings of the nations from their thrones

v 10-12 they all respond and say to you, 'Even you have been made weak as we - you have become like us - your pomp and music of your harps have been brought down to Sheol - maggots are your bed and worms your covering - how you have fallen from heaven O star of the morning son of the dawn - you have been cut down to earth, you who weakened the nations

v 13-17 But you said in your heart 'I WILL: ascend to heaven, raise my throne above the stars of God, sit on the mount of assembly, ascend above the heights of the clouds, make myself like the Most High' But you will be thrust down to Sheol, those who see you will gaze/ponder over you, "Is this the man who made the earth tremble, who shook kingdoms, who made the world like a wilderness and overthrew its cities?"

Antiochus IV

Daniel 8:9-14 these 6 verses prophesy of Antiochus IV [self-proclaimed 'Epi-Phanes'] talk about boastful-arrogant!!

First it describes the literal person who would come out from Greek Empire but Second he is then also a foreshadow of yet another future literal person still to emerge from a Final Global Empire in the Times of the End [verses 23-25]

Historical Antiochus IV succeeded to the head the Seleucid Empire 175-164 BC

- 8th king of Syrian Dynasty
- Defeated Ptolemy VI in Egypt
- his sister is Cleo-Patra
- *Epi-Phanes* = "above all manifest" God revealed above all
- *Epi-Manes* = "above all maniac" Crazy One



side 4,500 cubits, and the west side 4,500 cubits.
17" And the city shall have 10 open spaces: on the north 250 cubits, on the south 250 cubits, on the east 250 cubits, and on the west 250 cubits.
18" And the remainder of the length alongside the holy allotment

47:19 ^bEzek. 47:10, 15, 19, 20
29 ¹YHWH, usually rendered LORD ^aEzek. 47:13-20
30 ^aEzek. 48:32, 33, 34

shall divide by lot to the tribes of Israel for an inheritance, and these are their several portions," declares the Lord ¹GOD.
The City Gates
30" And these are the exits of the city: on the ^anorth side, 4,500 cubits

Daniel's Resolve
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18 Then at the end of the days

1st Maccabees I:44-49.

Antiochus IV

the king sent letters by messengers to Jerusalem and all the cities of Judah in which he then directed them:



- follow customs strange to their land
- forbid burnt offerings, sacrifices, drink offerings in the sanctuary
- profane the Jews' weekly Sabbaths
- profane the Jews' feasts
- defile the Jewish sanctuary and priests
- build altars in sacred precincts and shrines for idols
- sacrifice swine and unclean animals
- leave Jewish sons uncircumcised
- make Jews abominable by everything they deem unclean and profane, so they should then forget their Jewish law and change all their Jewish ordinances
- **whomever does not obey the king's command shall then die**

31 shall be the gates of the city, named for the tribes of Israel, three gates toward the north: the gate of Reuben, one; the gate of Judah, one; the gate of Levi, one.

32 And on the east side, 4,500 cubits, I shall be three gates: the gate of Joseph, one; the gate of Benjamin, one; the gate of Dan, one.

33 And on the south side, 4,500 cubits, I shall be three gates: the gate of Simeon, one; the gate of Issachar, one; the gate of Zebulun, one.

34 On the west side, 4,500 cubits, shall be three gates: the gate of Gad, one; the gate of Asher, one; the gate of Naphtali, one.

35 The city shall be 18,000 cubits round about; and the name of the city from that day shall be, 'The Holy City'.

with the king's choice food or with the swine which he drank; so he defiled himself.

9 Now God granted Daniel favor and compassion in the sight of the commander of the officials.

10 and the commander of the officials said to Daniel, 'I am afraid of my lord the king, who has appointed your food and your drink; for why should he see your faces looking more haggard than the youths who are your own age? Then you would make me forfeit my head to the king.'

11 But Daniel said to the overseer of the king's household, 'I have been appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. Please test your servants for ten days, and let us be given some vegetables to eat and water to drink. Then let our appearance be observed in your presence, and the appearance of the youths who are eating the king's choice food; and deal with your servants according to what you see best in this matter for ten days.'

15 And at the end of ten days their appearance was found to be better and fatter than that of the youths who were eating the king's choice food.

16 So the overseer continued to withhold their choice food and the wine they were to drink, and kept giving them vegetables.

17 And these four youths, Daniel and his companions, were found to have more intelligence and wisdom; Daniel even understood all kinds of visions and dreams.

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8 But Daniel made up his mind that he would not defile himself

THE BOOK OF DANIEL

THE CITY GATES

Daniel's Resolve

Antiochus IV

Daniel 8:9-14 and he removed the regular sacrifice from Him and the place of His sanctuary was thrown down - so that on account of transgression the host will be given over to the horn along with the regular sacrifice - and it will hurl truth to the ground and perform its own will and prosper - then I heard a holy one speaking and another holy one said to that particular one who was speaking:

“How long will the vision about the regular sacrifice apply while the transgression causes horror to allow both the holy place and the host to be trampled?”

He said to me, “For 2,300 evenings and mornings - then the holy place will be properly restored” [alludes to 2 sacrifices per day]

2,300 literal days = 6 years x 360 days = 2,160 + 140 days [3 mos + 20 days]

Antiochus first invaded Jerusalem ‘changed laws and time’ August 24 170 BC

Judas Maccabeus restored/cleansed Temple 25-Kislev Chisleu [Dec. 14] 164 BC 2,300 days

Hannukah

John 10:25 Jesus went to Jerusalem for Feast of Dedication - “it was winter”

Clearly NOT 1st Kings 8 Solomon dedication in 7th month Ethanim/Tishri

The Ram and the Goat

Daniel 8:15-19

When I, Daniel, had seen this vision, I sought to understand it and behold, standing before me was one who looked like a man and I heard the voice of a man [second voice] between the banks of Ulai and he called out and said,

“Gabriel, give this man an understanding of the vision” [the Lord instructs]

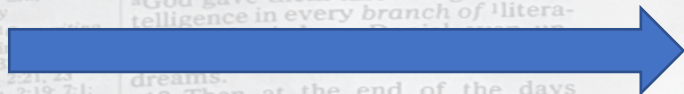
1st time we hear of **Gaber = man El = God** “man of/sent by Elohiym” [3 named *aggelos*]

So he [Gabriel] came near to where I was standing - I was frightened and fell on my face, but he said to me, “The Son of Man understands that the **vision pertains to the time of the end**”

Now while he was talking with me, I sank into a deep sleep with my face to the ground but he touched me and made me stand upright [“set me uprightly” ‘set my thinking straight’]

then He said, “Behold, I am going to let you know what will occur at the final period of the indignation - for it pertains to the **“Appointed time of the End”**

Next Slide: Specifically sets Daniel’s thinking straight – sets Daniel uprightly



Daniel 8:23-27

The Ram The Goat The Little Horn

In the latter period of their rule when the transgressors have run their course, a king will arise - insolent and skilled in intrigue - his power will be mighty, but not by his own power - he will destroy to an extraordinary degree and prosper and perform his will he will destroy mighty men and the holy people [Jews] - thru his shrewdness he will cause deceit to succeed by his influence - he will magnify himself in his heart and will destroy many while they are at peace - he will even oppose the Prince of princes [Jesus Christ] but he will be broken without human agency/means . . . Reads like Revelation 13:7

This vision of the evenings and mornings that has been told IS TRUE but keep the vision secret for it pertains to many days in the future [Gabriel finishes speaking]

Then I, Daniel was exhausted - sick for days, after which I got up again to carry on the king's affairs - I was astounded at the vision but there was none to explain it [Antiochus to antichrist]

Vision first to immediate future to Media-Persia 539 BC - then 200 years to Alexander in 332 BC - then 258 years to Antiochus IV 175 BC [as foreshadow of End Times] to a still-future 70th Shabua full manifestation of Abomination of Desolation

Antichrist in OT and NT

- Crooked Serpent
- Seed of the Serpent
- Spoiler and Destroyer
- The Wicked One
- Profane Wicked Prince
- Son of the Morning
- Vile One
- Violent Man
- Proud Man
- Bloody-Deceitful Man
- The Assyrian
- Little Horn
- Idol Shepherd

- Job 26:13
- Gen 3:15
- Isaiah 16:4-5
- Psalms 9:17, 10:2-4
- Ezekiel 21:25-27
- Isaiah 14:12
- Daniel 11:21
- Psalms 140:1-11
- Habakkuk 2:5
- Psalms 5:6
- Isaiah 10:5, 12
- Daniel 7 + 8
- Zechariah 11:16-17

- Antichrist
- Father of the Lie
- Son of Perdition
- Comes in own name
- Prince of Darkness
- Star
- Beast
- Man of Sin
- Unclean Spirit
- Lawless One

This is the one Daniel did not fully understand

- 1st John 2:22
- John 8:44
- 2nd Thess. 2:11
- 2nd Thess. 2:3
- John 5:43
- 1st Thess. 5
- Revelation 8:10, 9:1
- Rev. 7:11-13 + Rev. 13
- 2nd Thess. 2:3
- Matthew 12:43
- 2nd Thess. 2:8

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Next Monday

April 14th 6:30pm

Figure It Out

Daniel 10:1-21

The Man - Michael - Prince of Persia



5 "And beside the border of Manasseh, from the east side to the west side, ^aEphraim, one portion.

6 "And beside the border of Ephraim, from the east side to the west side, ^aReuben, one portion.

7 "And beside the border of Reuben, from the east side to the west side, ^aJudah, one portion.

8 "And beside the border of Judah, from the east side to the west side, shall be the ¹allotment which you shall ²set apart, 25,000 ³cubits in width, and in length like one of the portions, from the east side to the west side; and the ^asanctuary shall be in the middle of it.

9 "The allotment that you shall set apart to the LORD shall be 25,000 cubits in length, and 10,000 in width.

Portion for the Priests

10 "And the holy allotment shall be for these, namely for the ^apriests, toward the north 25,000 cubits in length, toward the west 10,000 in width, toward the east 10,000 in width, and toward the south 25,000 in length; and the sanctuary of the LORD shall be in its midst.

11 "It shall be for the priests who are sanctified of the LORD, who have kept My charge, that they not go astray when they eat of the holy things, as the ^bLevites went astray.

12 "And it shall be an allotment to them from the all ¹of the land a most holy place, by the side of the Levites.

13 "And alongside the border of the priests the Levites shall have 25,000 cubits in length and 10,000 in width. The whole length shall be 25,000 cubits and the width 10,000.

14 "Moreover, they shall not ^asell or exchange any of it, or alienate this ¹choice portion of land; for it is holy to the LORD.

15 "And the remainder, 5,000 cubits in width and 25,000 ¹n length, shall be for ^acommon use for the city, for dwellings and for ²open spaces; and the city shall be in its midst.

16 "And these shall be its measurements: the north side 4,500 cubits, the south side ^a4,500 cubits, the east side 4,500 cubits, and the west side 4,500 cubits.

17 "And the city shall have ¹open spaces: on the north 250 cubits, on the south 250 cubits, on the east 250 cubits, and on the west 250 cubits.

18 "And the remainder of the length alongside the holy allotment shall be 10,000 cubits toward the east, and 10,000 toward the west; and it shall be ¹alongside the holy allotment. And its produce shall be food for the workers of the city.

19 "And the workers of the city, out of all the tribes of Israel, shall cultivate it.

20 "The whole allotment shall be ¹set apart by 25,000 cubits; you shall ²set apart the holy allotment, a ²square, with the ³property of the city.

Portion for the Prince

21 "And the ^aremainder shall be for the prince, on the one side and the other of the ¹allotment toward the ²border and westward in front of the 25,000 toward the west border, alongside the portions, it shall be for the prince. And the holy allotment and the sanctuary of the house shall be in the middle of it.

22 "And exclusive of the ¹property of the Levites and the ¹property of the city, which are in the middle of that which belongs to the prince, everything between the border of Judah and the border of Benjamin shall be for the prince.

Portion for Other Tribes

23 "As for the rest of the tribes: from the east side to the west side, ^aReuben, one portion.

24 "And beside the border of Simeon, from the east side to the west side, ^aSimeon, one portion.

25 "And beside the border of Issachar, from the east side to the west side, ^aIssachar, one portion.

26 "And beside the border of Zebulun, from the east side to the west side, ^aZebulun, one portion.

27 "And beside the border of Gad, from the east side to the west side, ^aGad, one portion.

28 "And beside the border of the south side toward the south side, ^aGad, one portion.

11 "Or, pasture land ^aEzek. 42:20; 45:6

12 "Or, eunuchs, and so throughout the chap. ^aIs. 12:6; 33:20-22; Ezek. 45:3, 4

13 "Lit., first or first fruits ^aLev. 25:32-34

14 "Lit., in front of the LORD ^aEzek. 42:20; 45:6

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16 "Lit., offer ²Lit., fourth ³Or, possession

17 "Or, possession

18 "Josh. 18:21-25

19 "Josh. 19:1-9

20 "Josh. 19:17-23

21 "Josh. 19:10-16

22 "Josh. 13:24-28

23 "Gen. 14:7; 2 Chr. 20:2; Ezek. 47:19 ^bEzek. 47:10, 15, 19, 20

24 "YHWH, usually rendered LORD ^aEzek. 47:13-20

25 "Ezek. 48:32,

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32 "And on the east side, 4,500 cubits, ¹shall be three gates: the gate of Joseph, one; the gate of Benjamin, one; the gate of Dan, one.

33 "And on the south side, 4,500 cubits by measurement, shall be three

gates: the gate of Simeon, one; the gate of Issachar, one; the gate of Zebulun, one.

34 "On the west side, 4,500 cubits, shall be three gates: the gate of Gad, one; the gate of Asher, one; the gate of Naphtali, one.

35 "And on the north side, 4,500 cubits round about; and the ^aname of the city from that day shall be, ^b"The LORD is there."

THINK OF DANIEL'S THOUGHTS AS HE WAS THROWN AWAY IN THE SIEGE

2ND SIEGE 577BC

3RD SIEGE 587BC

THE BOOK OF DANIEL

The Choice Young Men

IN the third year of the reign of ^aJehoiakim king of Judah, ^bNebuchadnezzar king of Babylon came to Jerusalem and besieged it.

2 And the ^aLord gave Jehoiakim king of Judah into his hand, along with some of the ^bvessels of the house of God; and he brought them to the land of ^cShinar, to the house of his god, and he brought the vessels into the treasury of his ^dgod.

3 Then the king ordered Ashpenaz, the chief of his ¹officials, to bring in some of the sons of Israel, including some of the ²royal ^afamily and of the nobles,

4 ^ayouths in whom was no defect of appearance, and who were of good character, and who had ability for serving in the king's court; and he ordered him to teach them the literature and ^blanguage of the ^cChaldeans.

5 And the king appointed for them a daily ration from the king's choice food and from the wine which he drank, and ^aappointed that they should be educated three years, at the end of which they were to stand before the king in his ¹service.

6 And from the ²sons of the king, Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah, were chosen; and the king appointed them to stand before the king. He instructed them in all the ¹learning and wisdom of the ²Chaldeans; and he gave them names: the name of Daniel was ^bMishael, the name of Hananiah was ^cShadrach, and the name of Mishael was ^dAzariah.

1 "2 Kin. 24:1; 2 Chr. 36:5, 6

2 "Is. 42:24; Dan. 2:37, 38

3 "Chr. 36:7, Jer. 27:19, 20; Dan. 5:2

4 "Gen. 10:10; 11:2; Is. 11:11; Zech. 5:11 ^dJer. 50:2; 51:44

5 "Or, eunuchs, and so throughout the chap. ²Lit., seed of the ²Kin. 24:14; Is. 39:7

6 "2 Sam. 14:25 b; 1 Chr. 36:11; Jer. 5:15; Dan. 2:4

7 "Dan. 2:2, 4, 5, 10; 3:8, 4:7; 5:7, 11

8 "1 Sam. 1:18; Jer. 15:1; Dan. 1:19

9 "Ezek. 14:14; 20:28; Matt. 24:15

10 "Dan. 2:26; 4:8, 5:12 ^bDan. 2:49; 3:12

11 "Lit., set upon his heart ^aLev. 11:47; Ezek. 4:13, 14; Hos. 9:3, 4 ^bPs. 141:4; Dan. 1:5 ^cDeut. 32:38; Dan. 5:4

12 "Job 5:15, 16; Ps. 106:46; Prov. 16:7

13 "Lit., make my head guilty

14 "Lit., seen

15 "Ex. 23:25; Prov. 10:22

16 "Lit., take away

17 "Or, writing ^a1 Kin. 3:12, 28; Job 32:8; Dan. 1:20, 2:21, 23 ^bDan. 2:19, 7:1; 8:1

with the ^bking's choice food or with the wine which he drank; so he sought permission from the commander of the officials that he might not defile himself.

9 Now God granted Daniel ^afavor and compassion in the sight of the commander of the officials.

10 and the commander of the officials said to Daniel, "I am afraid of my lord the king, who has appointed your food and your drink; for why should he see your faces looking more haggard than the youths who are your own age? Then you would ¹make me forfeit my head to the king."

11 But Daniel said to the overseer whom the commander of the officials had appointed over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah,

12 "Please test your servants for ten days, and let us be given some vegetables to eat and water to drink.

13 "Then let our appearance be ¹observed in your presence, and the appearance of the youths who are eating the king's choice food; and deal with your servants according to what you see."

14 So he listened to them in this matter and tested them for ten days.

15 And at the end of ten days their appearance seemed ^abetter and they were fatter than all the youths who had been eating the king's choice food.

16 So the overseer continued to ¹withhold their choice food and the wine they were to drink, and kept giving them vegetables.

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