

## **HOPE FOR THE WORLD: The Coming Kingdom Daniel 7:15-28**

### **Introduction**

Daniel 7 begins to introduce the second half of the Book of Daniel, but it does so in a way that links the first half to the second half. It takes us back in time from the point reached at the end of chapter 6, back to the reign of the Babylonian King Belshazzar, prior to the night of the feast that is the setting for chapter 5.

The content of ch. 7 is a dream of Daniel's, documented by Daniel in verses 1-14. The second part of ch. 7 (vv. 15-28) is the interpretation of the dream. As we have established, this dream is a vision of what is to come at the end of the ages. This foretaste of the end of the ages is meant to give great hope to the reader in times of chaos. There are three items to note in this passage.

### **I. THE SAINTS**

### **II. THE FOURTH BEAST**

### **III. DANIEL'S REACTION**

### **APPLICATION POINTS:**

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Resources: *Daniel*, James Montgomery Boicel *Calvin's Commentaries XII*, John Calvin; *The Message of Daniel*, Dale Ralph Davis; *Daniel*, Ian Duguid; *The Preacher's Commentary: Daniel*, Sinclair Ferguson; *Daniel: The Triumph of God's Kingdom*, Rodney Stortz