How to Know the Future

A dream from the past speaks to the present.
2 Then the king gave the command to call the magicians, the astrologers, the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans to tell the king his dreams. So they came and stood before the king.

3 And the king said to them, “I have had a dream, and my spirit is anxious to know the dream.”

4 Then the Chaldeans spoke to the king in Aramaic, calling for the interpretation. “O king, live forever! Tell your servants the dream, and we will give the interpretation.”

5 The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, “My decision is firm: if you do not make known the dream to me, there is no life for you! For you have not been able to tell lying and corrupt words about the time has changed. Therefore I shall no longer ask the dream, and I shall know that you can give me its interpretation.”

6 The king answered Arbel, the chief of the king’s chamber, who had gone over to kill the wise men of Babylon.

7 So the decree went out, and they began killing the wise men and the astrologers.

8 Then Daniel answered Arbel, the chief of the king’s chamber, who had gone over to kill the wise men of Babylon:

Chapter 2
“...I have had a dream, and my spirit is anxious to know the dream.”
“... O king, live forever! Tell your servants the dream, and we will give the interpretation.”
“The king answered and said to the Chaldeans, ‘My decision is firm:}
Daniel 2:5

if you do not make known the dream to me, and its interpretation, you shall be cut in pieces,
and your houses shall be made an ash heap.”
“However, if you tell the dream and its interpretation, you shall receive from me gifts,
Daniel 2:6

rewards, and great honor. Therefore tell me the dream and its interpretation.”
“The Chaldeans answered the king, and said, ‘There is not a man on earth who can tell the king’s matter;”
therefore no king, lord, or ruler has ever asked such things of any magician, astrologer, or Chaldean.
there is no other who can tell it to the king except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.”
“Execute them!”
“I thank You and praise You, O God of my fathers; You have given me wisdom and might,
Daniel 2:23

and have now made known to me what we asked of You, for You have made known to us the king’s demand.”
“Therefore Daniel went to Arioch, whom the king had appointed to destroy the wise men of Babylon. He went and said thus to him:
“Do not execute the wise men of Babylon. Take me to the king, and I will interpret his dream for him.”
Daniel 2:27

“. . . The secret which the king has demanded, the wise men, the astrologers, the magicians, and the soothsayers cannot declare to the king."
But there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, and He has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what will be in the latter days . . ."
“... For I am God, and there is no other; I am God, and there is none like Me,
declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times things that are not yet done . . .
“As for you, O king, thoughts came to your mind while on your bed, about what would come to pass after this;
and He who reveals secrets has made known to you what will be [in the latter days].”
“You, O king, were watching; and behold, a great image!"
This great image, whose splendor was excellent, stood before you; and its form was awesome.”
“This image’s head was of fine gold, its chest and arms of silver, its belly and thighs of bronze,
its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay.”
DANIEL 2:34

“You watched while a stone was cut out without hands,”
which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.”
“Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold were crushed together,
and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; the wind carried them away so that no trace of them was found.
And the stone that struck the image became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.”
Span of History

606 B.C.  Eternity
Daniel 2:38

"...you are this head of gold."
“Situated in the garden of the east; laid out in a perfect square ... with a moat or ditch around it ...
its gates of brass, its hanging gardens rising terrace above terrace ... its two royal palaces ...
there, with the whole earth prostrate at her feet, a queen in peerless grandeur . . .
stood this city, fit capital of that kingdom which was represented by the golden head.”
Hanging Gardens of Babylon
“But after you shall arise another kingdom inferior to yours ...”
Nebuchadnezzar’s Tablet
“The fortifications of Esagila and Babylon I strengthened and established the name of my reign forever.”

Nebuchadnezzar’s Tablet
Daniel 4:30

"The king spoke, saying, 'Is not this great Babylon, [image]"
that I have built for a royal dwelling by my mighty power and for the honor of my majesty?””
"Thus says the LORD to His anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have held – to subdue nations before him"
ISAIAH 45:1

and loose the armor of kings, to open before him the double doors, so that the gates will not be shut.”
CHAPTER 45

God's Call to Cyrus

Thus saith the Lord to his anointed, to Cyrus, whose right hand I have holden, to subdue nations before him; and I will loose the loins of kings, to open before him the two leaved gates; and the gates shall not be shut:

2 I will go before thee, and make the crooked places straight. The rough places shall I make smooth. The lion and the dragon shall I feed; and it shall not hurt you.

Cyrus named approximately 150 years before his birth.
“... Next, a third kingdom, one of bronze, will rule over the whole earth.”
“I am persuaded that there was no nation, city, nor people ... where his name did not reach ...
there seems to me to have been some divine hand presiding both over his birth and actions.”
“On June 22, 168 B.C., at the Battle of Pydna, perished the empire of Alexander the Great, 144 years after his death.”
“And the fourth kingdom shall be as strong as iron ...”
“Just as you saw that the feet and toes were partly of baked clay and partly of iron,
so this will be a divided kingdom . . . ”
“...so the people will be a mixture and will not remain united,
Daniel 2:43 (NIV)

any more than iron mixes with clay.”
“As you saw iron mixed with ceramic clay, they will mingle with the seed of men;
but they will not adhere to one another, just as iron does not mix with clay.”
Alamanni  - GERMANS
Burgundians  - SWISS
Franks  - FRENCH
Lombards  - ITALIANS
Saxons  - ENGLISH
Suevi - PORTUGUESE
Visigoths - SPANISH
Heruli - EXTINCT
Ostrogoths - EXTINCT
Vandals - EXTINCT
They Shall Mingle with the Seed of Men
They Shall Not Cleave Together
Charlemagne - DEFEATED
Charles V - DEFEATED
Louis XIV - DEFEATED
Napoleon - DEFEATED
Kaiser Wilhelm - DEFEATED
Hitler - DEFEATED
They Shall Not Cleave One to Another
“In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed,
nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but it will itself endure forever.”
“This is the meaning of the vision of the rock cut out of a mountain, but not by human hands —
Daniel 2:45

A rock that broke the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver and the gold to pieces.
The great God has shown the king what will take place in the future. The dream is true and the interpretation is trustworthy.”
“... The kingdoms of this world have become the kingdoms of our Lord... and He shall reign forever and ever!”
Last Events in Daniel

- Jesus’ Second Coming
LAST EVENTS IN DANIEL

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- God will set up His kingdom
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This kingdom will last forever
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- This kingdom will last forever
- Jesus will be anointed as the King of Kings
This kingdom will last forever

Jesus will be anointed as the King of Kings

He comes to earth to reign
“... Surely your God is the God of gods and the Lord of kings and a revealer of mysteries...”
BABYLON
HEAD OF GOLD

PERSIA
CHEST & ARMS OF SILVER

GREECE
THIGHS OF BRONZE

ROME
LEGS OF IRON

DIVIDED EUROPE
FEET OF IRON & CLAY
“Then he said to Jesus, ‘Lord, remember me when You come into Your kingdom.’”
Matthew 25:34

“. . . Come, you blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you . . . ”