

The Times of the Nations

(According to the Prophecy of Daniel 2 & 7 and Luke 21:24)

Nebuchadnezzar's Dream	Empire	Beast*	Initial Ruler	Historical Time	Length [years]	Type of Government	Remarks
Head of gold	Babylon	Lion (Dan. 7:4; Jer. 4:13)	Nebuchadnezzar II	606 BC - 539 BC	66	Autocracy (Dan. 2:37-38)	Ended with Belshazzar (Dan. 5)
Chest & arms of silver	Medo-Persia	Bear (Dan. 7:5)	Cyrus the Great	539 BC - 331 BC	209	Limited monarchy (Dan. 2:39a; 6:8, 12, 15)	Cyrus conquered Babylon but let his uncle, Darius the Great, sit on the throne for 2 years
Belly & thighs of bronze	Greece	Leopard (Dan. 7:6)	Alexander the Great	331 BC - 31 BC	300	Oligarchy	Alexander – the notable horn of the goat (Dan. 8:5) with the 4 horns
Legs of iron	Rome	The 4th beast – dreadful and terrible, exceedingly strong (Dan. 7:7)	Augustus Caesar	31 BC - 476 AD	507	Monarchy to republic	Official end of Western Roman Empire
			Fall of the Roman Empire – rise of the nations	476 - 1775	1300	Evolving gradually into democracy	The Roman papacy (Babylon the Great – Rev. 17:1-6) ruling in Europe – the horn in Dan. 7:8, 20-21
Feet of iron & clay	USA – superpower		Washington / Jefferson	1776 - 2017	241	Democracy	Jefferson – main author of the Declaration of Independence
			45 th US President	2017 - 2024 **	8		Today
10 toes	The rise of the beast	Combination of all 4 beasts (Rev. 13:2)	The beast – the antichrist	2024 - 2027 **	3 ½	Globalism – one world order	10 horns are the 10 nations (Rev. 13:1-2; 17:12-14) = the 10 toes of the image
Stone cut out without hands	Millennial Kingdom		Jesus Christ – Ruler over the kings of the earth (Rev. 1:5)	2027 **	1000	Christ – King of kings and Lord of lords (Rev. 19:11-21)	The saints possess the kingdom with Christ (Dan. 7:27; Rev. 1:6; 5:10; 2:26-27; 3:21; 20:6; 22:5)

* Chapter 2 shows the great image of a man, depicting the 4 great empires; but chapter 7 shows that these 4 empires are 4 beasts. All the empires of man are like beasts. The last beast is the consummation of all the beasts joined together. ** Assuming that the 45th US president will make the peace covenant, fulfilling the prophecy of Dan. 9:27.