DANIEL'S VISION OF THE KINGDOM

Daniel 7:1-28 Key Verse: 7:14

"He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed."

- 1. Who was Daniel, what was his situation along with his people, and what ability did God give him (1:1-6,17-20)? When did Daniel have this dream and what was its general content (7:1-3)? Of what do the four winds and great sea remind us (Gen 1:1,2)?
- 2. Describe the four beasts (4-7). What nations might each represent (16-17; compare with 2:38-40)? How was the fourth beast different and what happened to it (19,23-24a)? What can you learn about the little horn and its character and intentions (8,20-21,24-25)?
- 3. Who is the Ancient of Days (9)? How is he and his throne room described (9-10)? What does this description suggest about him? What did he do about the little horn (11-12,22, 26)?
- 4. Read verses 13-14. Who is the son of man (Mt 26:64; Rev 1:7)? What do these verses teach about him (Rev 1:13-16)?
- 5. How is the final victory described (14,18,27)? Who are the holy people and how can we be sure that we are included among them? How do you think this vision was or will be fulfilled (Mt 28:18; Rev 11:15)?
- 6. Why do you think God gave Daniel this vision? How is it relevant to our study of Revelation and to our world today?