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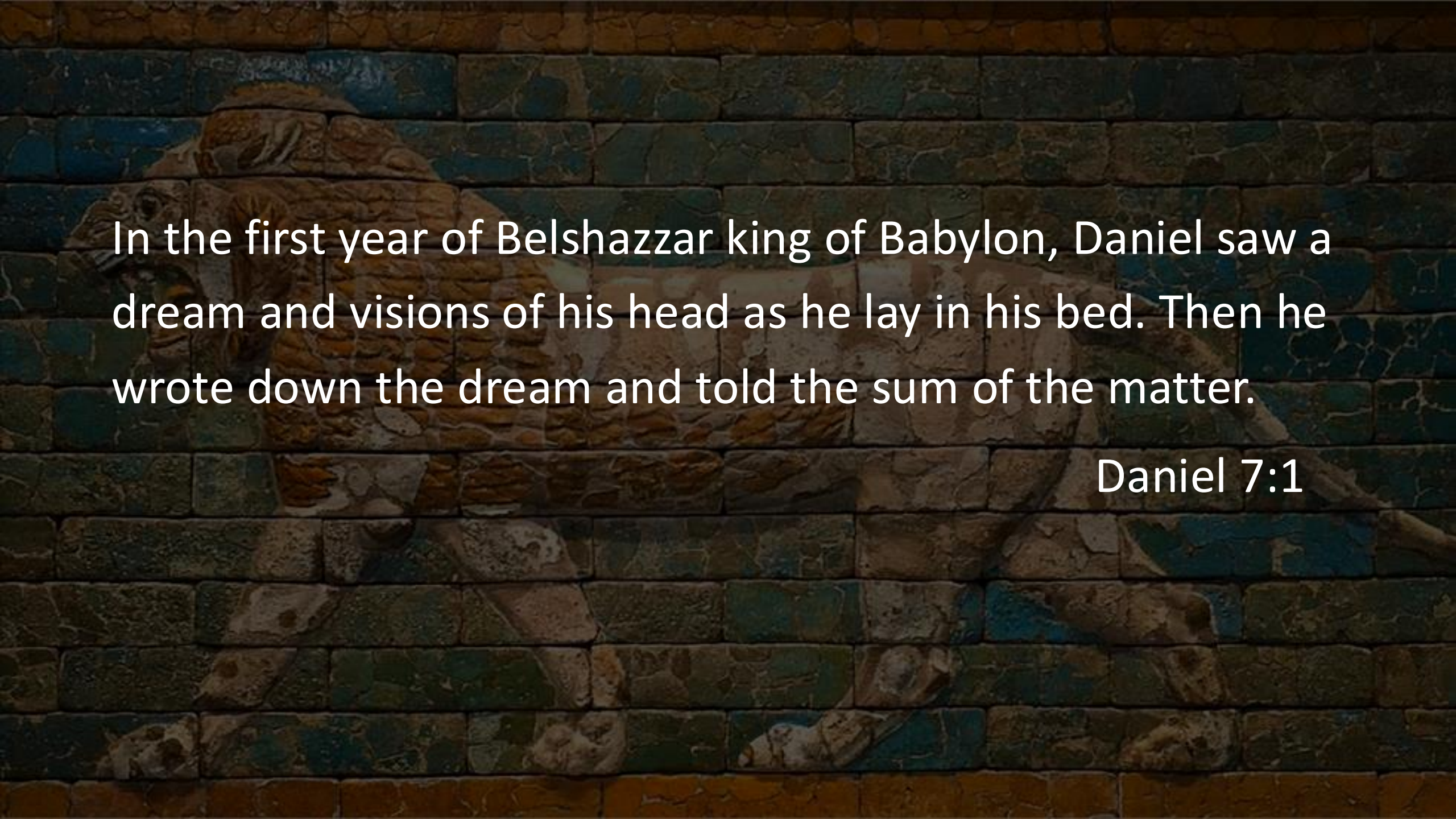




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In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel saw a dream and visions of his head as he lay in his bed. Then he wrote down the dream and told the sum of the matter.

Daniel 7:1

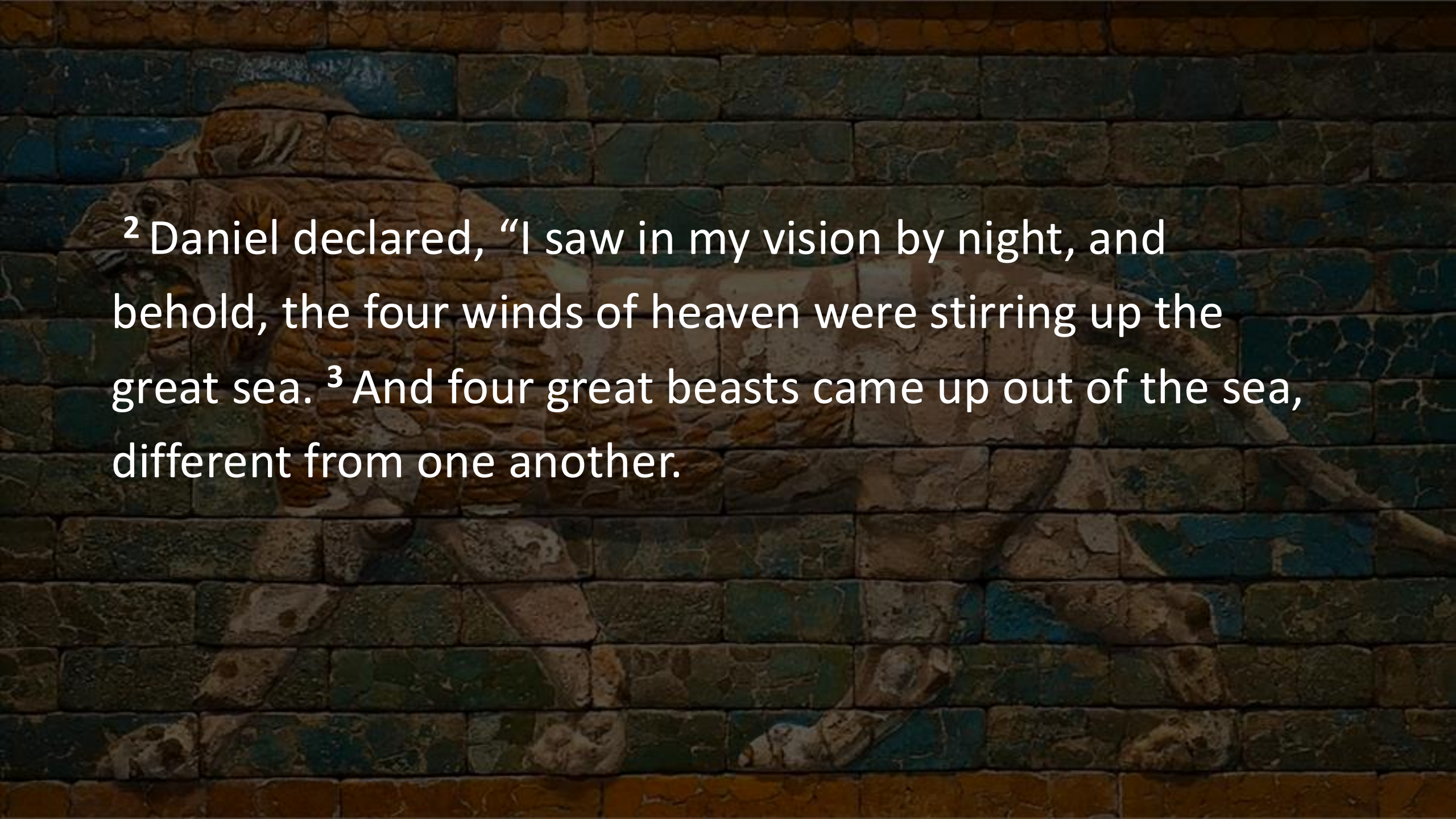


15 As for me, Daniel, my spirit within me was anxious, and the visions of my head alarmed me. ...

Daniel 7:15

28 ... my thoughts greatly alarmed me, and my color changed, but I kept the matter in my heart..

Daniel 7:28



² Daniel declared, “I saw in my vision by night, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the great sea. ³ And four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.

⁴ The first was **like a lion and had eagles' wings**. Then as I looked its wings were plucked off, and it was lifted up from the ground and made to stand on two feet like a man, and the mind of a man was given to it.

⁵ And behold, another beast, a second one, **like a bear**. It was raised up on one side. It had three ribs in its mouth between its teeth; and it was told, 'Arise, devour much flesh.'

⁶ After this I looked, and behold, another, **like a leopard**, with four wings of a bird on its back. And the beast had four heads, and dominion was given to it.

⁷ After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, a **fourth beast**, terrifying and dreadful and exceedingly strong. It had great iron teeth; it devoured and broke in pieces and stamped what was left with its feet. It was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns.



The background is a dark, textured stone wall. On the left side, there is a large, carved stone head, possibly a lion or a mythical creature, which is partially visible and appears to be part of the wall's structure. The wall is composed of irregular, rectangular stone blocks in various shades of brown, tan, and grey.

17 'These four great beasts are four kings who shall arise out of the earth.

Daniel 7:17

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8 While I was contemplating the horns, behold, another horn, a little one, came up among them, and three of the first horns were pulled out by the roots before it; and behold, this horn possessed eyes like the eyes of a man and a mouth uttering great boasts.



Knowing Beastly Kingdoms will come and go.

11 “I looked then because of the sound of the great words that the horn was speaking. And as I looked, the beast was killed, and its body destroyed and given over to be burned with fire. 12 As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.

⁹ “As I looked,
thrones were placed,
and the **Ancient of Days** took his seat;
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames;
its wheels were burning fire.

¹⁰ A stream of fire issued
and came out from before him;
a thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him;
the court sat in judgment,
and the books were opened.

Looking for the coming of God's King and kingdom.

13 I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one **like a son of man**, and he came to the **Ancient of Days** and was presented before him.

14 And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

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61 But he remained silent and made no answer. Again the high priest asked him, Are you the Christ, the Son of the Blessed? 62 And Jesus said, I am, and you will see **the Son of Man** seated at the right hand of Power, and coming with the clouds of heaven.

Mark 14:61-62

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24 But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, 25 and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. 26 And then they will see **the Son of Man** coming in clouds with great power and glory. 27 And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

Mark 13:24-27

¹⁹ “Then I desired to know the truth about the fourth beast, which was different from all the rest, exceedingly terrifying, with its teeth of iron and claws of bronze, and which devoured and broke in pieces and stamped what was left with its feet, ²⁰ and about the ten horns that were on its head, and the other horn that came up and before which three of them fell, the horn that had eyes and a mouth that spoke great things, and that seemed greater than its companions. ²¹ As I looked, this horn made war with the saints and prevailed over them, ²² until the Ancient of Days came, and judgment was given for the saints of the Most High...

²³ “Thus he said: ‘As for the fourth beast,
there shall be a fourth kingdom on earth,
which shall be different from all the kingdoms,
and it shall devour the whole earth,
and trample it down, and break it to pieces.

²⁴ As for the ten horns,
out of this kingdom ten kings shall arise,
and another shall arise after them;
he shall be different from the former ones,
and shall put down three kings.

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Daniel 7:25

And the beast was given a mouth uttering haughty and
blasphemous words, and it was allowed to exercise authority for
forty-two months.

Revelation 13:5



Seeing that the arrogant Beast will be judged.

²⁶ But the court shall sit in judgment,
and his dominion shall be taken away,
to be consumed and destroyed to the end.



Rejoicing in the saint's inheritance of the kingdom forever.

²⁷ And the kingdom and the dominion
and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven
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his kingdom shall be an everlasting kingdom,
and all dominions shall serve and obey him.'

18 But **the saints** of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom **forever, forever and ever.**'

22 until the Ancient of Days came, and judgment was given for the saints of the Most High, and the time came when **the saints** possessed the kingdom.

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Persevere by looking
for the King & Kingdom
to come!