The Structure of the Aramaic Chapters in Daniel + 3 Final Tests

Daniel chapters **2 through 7** are written in <u>Aramaic</u> rather than Hebrew, and they show a specific literary order, called a "chiasm" or chiastic structure, according to the theme of related chapters (most likely for easier memorization). There is a forward-then-backward progression of themes in an A-B-C, C-B-A order.

- A. Chapter 2 is a prophecy about the rise and fall of kingdoms.
 - **B.** Chapter **3** is a narrative about the **persecution** of Daniel's friends.
 - C. Chapter 4 is prophecy about the **fall of the King**, Nebuchadnezzar

(and his restoration).

C. Chapter **5** is prophecy about the **fall of the King**, Belshazzar

(and his destruction).

- **B.** Chapter **6** is a narrative about the **persecution** of Daniel.
- A. Chapter 7 is a prophecy about the rise and fall of kingdoms.

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3 Final Tests in Daniel & Revelation

<u>Chapters 1-6</u> show how God's people are to live at the end of the world.

Chapters 7-12 show what happens at the end of the world.

1st Test, Dan. 1 & Rev. 18:1

Health Reform, symbol of the Spirit of Prophecy, empowered on 9/11 by angel of Rev. 18:1.

2nd Test, Dan. 2 & Rev. 18:2-3

The Feet of Iron and Clay = Union of Church & State in USA = "Image of the Beast" = Rev. 18:2-3.

3rd_Test, Dan. 3 & Rev. 18:4

The Sunday Law in the USA = the "door" of human probation begins closing = Rev. 18: 4.

1st Test, Dan. 4 & Rev. 14:6-7; 1st Angel's Message = Nebuchadnezzar = who rejects, but later accepts the message.

2nd Test, Dan. 5 & Rev. 14:8; 2nd Angel's Message = Belshazzar = who <u>fully</u> rejects the 1st Angel's message, and <u>also</u> rejects the example of acceptance by his forefather (his own "foundation experience"), and is finally lost = Millerite-time Protestants = end-time "Laodicea" = churches of Global Babylon.

 3^{rd} _Test, Dan. 6.& Rev.14:9; 3^{rd} Angel's Message = Sunday Law persecution upon those who accept the $1^{st} + 2^{nd}$ Angel's Messages.

When ancient Babylon (as a type or symbol of first pagan and then papal Rome, the final King of the North in Dan. 11) is understood as a type of the USA (which is no longer a "Protestant" nation, but rather a branch of Rome ever since it ceased to "protest" popery and began supporting Rome by sending an Ambassador in 1984, and then taking down the USSR for Rome in 1989); then, at the end of the world, Daniel illustrates the rise, and then the fall and destruction of the USA at the imposition of Rome's national, then global, Sunday worship law.

<u>Ch. 1</u> = 1st Angel of Rev. 14:7, that arrived in 1798, and typifies the beginning of the USA.

Chs. 1-3 = 3rd Angel of Rev. 14:9, that arrived in 1844, and typifies the end of the USA at the NSL.

Ch. 4 = beginning of judgment against the USA, which wakes up some people to repentance.

<u>Chs. 5-6</u> together = end of judgment against the USA, and its destruction (spiritually by the "flood" of Catholicism [Rev. 12:15-17], and then literally by the "east wind" and "locusts" of Islam [Gen. 41:6, Ex. 10:13-15, Rev. 9:1-3]) who invaded under the neglected southern border "wall-gates" (Isa. 45:1-4).

Chs. 7-9 together = the beginning of the USA as a branch of Rome-Babylon.

<u>Chs. 10-12</u> together = the ending of the USA as a branch of Rome-Babylon.