

It is interesting that Daniel wrote this around 553 BC, fourteen years before the fall of Babylon. This means chapter seven took place before chapter 5 after he had interpreted King Nebuchadnezzar's dream in chapter two and chapter 4.

2. Compare Daniel 7:4 – 7 with Daniel 2:31 – 45. What similarities and differences to you see in these two dreams?

3. In the Bible, animals are often used to represent kingdoms. Read Daniel 7: 4 – 7. What nations and leaders do each of these animals represent?

The Lion with eagle's wings:

The Bear with three ribs in its mouth:

The Leopard with four wings and four heads:

The "Exceedingly Strong" Beast:

