
Sermon Text Discussion Notes 10/25/2020

Daniel 7:1-14 –“ Beast-like Kingdoms vs the Humane Rule of Jesus” by Drew Hunter

Overview

This message is the seventh in our series on Daniel. This is one of the most important chapters for understanding who Jesus is. And it shows us that Jesus is our hope in the midst of all the chaos of our world right now.

This text was outlined as follows:

- I. The Sea with the Beasts (v1-8)
- II. The Throne and the Son of Man (v9-14)

Daniel 7 shows us the kingdoms of this world will be replaced by the kingdom of Jesus. This is part of what we as Christians call “the gospel.” The gospel is the good news that Jesus is bringing his kingdom into this world, and he invites us in by grace.

Quotations

“For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.” -*Mark 10:45 (ESV)*

“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 14:62 (ESV)*

“And Jesus came and said to them, ‘All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.’” - *Matthew 28:18-20 (ESV)*

“And when he had said these things, as they were looking on, he was lifted up, and a cloud took him out of their sight.” -*Acts 1:9 (ESV)*

Understanding & Application

- 1) How can the use of symbolism, imagery, and our imaginations allow us to see something more fully than direct, literal language? What are some other examples of symbolic language in the Bible that have been most memorable to you?
- 2) What might these beasts symbolize? What are some reasons why terrifying beasts were chosen as symbols?
- 3) How does the rule of Jesus differ from the other kingdoms of this earth?
- 4) How should the symbolism in this chapter and the truth it represents bring us calm throughout the storms of life?
- 5) What are some practical ways we can seek the good of the world in which we live?