Lesson: 50 **Four Great Monarchies Part B Volume:** 6

Look for the Waymarks

1

Look for the way-marks as you journey on,
Look for the way-marks passing one by one;
Down through the ages, past the kingdoms four—
Where are we standing? Look the way-marks o'er.

Refrain

Look for the way-marks, the great prophetic way-marks,
Down through the ages, past the kingdoms four.
Look for the waymarks, the great prophetic way-marks;
The journey's almost o'er.

2

First, the Assyrian kingdom ruled the world,
Then Medo-Persia's banners were unfurled;
And after Greece held universal sway,
Rome seized the scepter—where are we today?

3

Down in the feet of iron and of clay,
Weak and divided, soon to pass away;
What will the next great, glorious drama be?
Christ and His coming, and eternity.



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TEXT

"And Jesus increased in wisdom (Mental) and stature (Physical & Spiritual), and in favor with God (Spiritual) and man (Social)." Luke 2:52

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NOTES: "This is allowed on all hands to be the Roman Empire. It was *dreadful, terrible,* and *exceeding strong;* . . . and became, in effect, what the Roman writers delight to call it, the *empire of the whole world."* -Adam Clarke, on Daniel 7:7 The final overthrow of the Greeks, by the Romans, was at the battle of Pydna, in 168 B.C.

14. What was denoted by the ten horns?

"And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten _____ that shall _____."

Daniel 7:24

NOTES: The Roman Empire was broken up into ten kingdoms between the years **351** A.D. and **476** A.D. "The historian Machiavelli, without the slightest reference to this prophecy, gives the following list of the nations which occupied the territory of the Western Empire at the time of the fall of Romulus Augustulus (**476** A.D.), the last emperor of Rome: The Lombards the Franks, the Burgundians, the Ostrogoths, the Visigoths, the Vandals, the Heruli, the Suevi, the Huns, and the Saxons: ten in all. "Amidst unceasing and almost countless fluctuations, the kingdoms of modern Europe have from their birth to the present day *averaged* ten in number. They have never since the breaking up of old Rome been united into one single empire; they have never formed *one whole* even like the United States. No scheme of proud ambition seeking to reunite the broken fragments has ever succeeded; when such have arisen, they have been invariably dashed to pieces.

"And the division is as apparent now as ever. Plainly and palpably inscribed on the map of Europe this day, it confronts the skeptic with its silent but conclusive testimony to the fulfillment of this great prophecy. Who can alter or add to this tenfold list of the kingdoms now occupying the sphere of old Rome? *Italy, Austria, Switzerland, France, Germany, England, Holland, Belgium, Spain, and Portugal* - ten, and no more; ten, and no less.""The Divine Program of the World's History," by H. Grattan Guinness, pages 318-321.

15. What change did Daniel see take place in these horns?

"I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another				
little	, before whom there were	of the first	plucked	
up by the	: and, behold, in this hor	n were eyes like the ϵ	eyes of man	
and a mouth	speaking great things." Danie	l 7:8		

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16. What inquiry on the part of Daniel shows that the fourth beast, and especially the little horn phase of it, constitutes the leading feature of this vision?				
"Then I would know the of the beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet; and of the horns that were in his head, and of the other which came, and before whom fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows." Daniel 7:19-20				
	little horn to arise? rise	" Daniel 7:24		
NOTE: The ten horns, as already shown, arose when Rome, the fourth kingdom, was divided into ten kingdoms. This division was completed in A . D. 476 . The little-horn power was to arise after them.				
18. What was to be the character of the little horn? "And he shall be from the first, and he shall" Daniel 7:24, Same verse, last part.				
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NOTES: That power which arose in the Roman Empire after the fall of Rome in A.D. 476, which was entirely different from all the ten kingdoms into which Rome was divided (for it demanded and exercised spiritual power over the other kingdoms), and before whom three of the other kings -the Heruli the Vandals, and the Ostrogoths - fell, was the Papacy. Having located the place and the time of the kingdom of the little horn, the study of its character and work will be considered in the readings which follow.

