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DANIEL THE PROPHET - DANIEL 2 NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S DREAM, PART 2

1. In this Sabbath School Lesson, we will continue looking at the feet and toes of iron and clay. Last week, we saw the rise and fall of various nations. We also saw that the ten divisions of the Roman Empire (modern Europe) were represented as the feet and toes of iron and clay. Let us now look at another application for the iron.
2. Read Daniel 2:41-42 for context. What power arose among the ten divisions of the Roman Empire (modern Europe)? Daniel 7:23-25

3. Read Daniel 2:43. Since the Papacy arose out of the Roman Empire, it is also represented as the iron in the feet and toes of the image. Did the Papacy mingle with men and nations during its reign? **Answer: Yes; the Papacy was given its power by Emperor Justinian in the year 538 A.D. and employed the armies of the European nations to war against so called "heretics."**
4. **Note:** Daniel 2:43, 44 is also a prophecy. It says "in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom." So, just before Jesus returns and establishes His kingdom in the New Heaven and New Earth, the Papacy will still be mingling with men and with nations to establish a worldwide kingdom to war against God and His truth (see Revelation 13:3; 17:12-14). Here is evidence that the Papacy is even now mingling with ruling men and nations (see articles below).

Pope Francis, in Congress, Pleads for Unity on World's Woes

<https://www.nytimes.com/2015/09/25/us/pope-francis-congress-speech.html>

Pope Francis delivers speech to United Nations about how to build a post-COVID world

<https://www.americamagazine.org/politics-society/2020/09/25/pope-francis-united-nations-speech-covid>

Pope Francis holds historic meeting with religious groups, top Iraq Shiite cleric

<https://abcnews.go.com/International/pope-francis-holds-historic-meeting-religious-groups-top/story?id=76293879>

Why Pope Francis may be meeting with so many tech CEOs

<https://www.washingtonpost.com/news/on-leadership/wp/2016/08/30/why-pope-francis-may-be-meeting-with-so-many-tech-ceos-2/>

Pope's Address to COP26 President and Leaders

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/cop26-pope-francis-address/>

5. **Note:** Let us transition and take a look at the two types of clay mentioned in Daniel 2:41.
6. What two types of clay are mentioned in Daniel 2:41? _____
7. What does the potter's clay represent? Jeremiah 18:1-6; Isaiah 64:8

8. What does the miry clay represent?
 - a) Genesis 2:7; Job 33:4, 6 - **Answer: People (which are formed out of the dust or the clay). Contextually, it points to people who have rejected God's invitation to remain potter's clay and to be molded by Him. They become "miry clay" because they rejected truth and His principles of reform.**
 - b) Isaiah 40:15 _____
9. Daniel 2:43 says that the "iron mixed with miry clay." Who will the Papacy be mingling or mixing with in these last days?
 - a) Revelation 18:2-3; 14:8 _____
 - b) Revelation 13:11-14 - **Answer: Apostate Protestants in America (church members and leaders, who have rejected God's principles of truth and reformation)**
10. **Note:** Why do we say Revelation 13:11-14 is pointing to Apostate Protestants of America? Understanding that a beast represents a nation (Daniel 7:17, 23), the second beast of Revelation 13 is none other than the United States of America

which was founded on two primary principles: civil and religious liberty or a state without a king and a church without a pope. Since this nation will form an image to the first beast (the Papacy), then it must be a replica of the papacy: a union of church and state, with the church ruling over the state. In these last days, church members and leaders of various denominations, who have apostatized from the truth and have rejected God's commandments, will call for a false day of worship (mandatory Sunday observance), and will unite with the Papacy and other nations just as Daniel 2 and Revelation 13 prophesied.

11. According to Daniel 2:43, who will the Papacy, Apostate Protestants in America, and the nations try to unite with next?

12. Notice that "the seed of men" is compared to clay in Daniel 2:43. Which type of clay is being referred to here? Daniel 2:41

13. What keeps the "seed of men" from joining this ungodly union?

a) Luke 8:11; Isaiah 8:20 _____

b) Revelation 12:17 _____

14. Why else should God's people not mingle in this false union?

a) Psalms 106:35 _____

b) Psalms 106:36 _____

c) Psalms 106:39 _____

15. **Note:** Just as the previous kingdoms before, this union of the Papacy and her allies is to establish a worldwide kingdom on this earth. It is the same agenda as ancient Babel (from which the word Babylon is derived) in Genesis 11. The people were one, they were united, and sought to establish a kingdom that would reach up to heaven to challenge God. God's seed cannot unite with this union because they recognize that this world is not their home, and it will be destroyed.

16. As a result of not joining this union with the ungodly, the dragon will war against God's seed (Revelation 12:17). Who will the dragon primarily use to war against God's seed? Revelation 13:1-2, 7-8

17. Will the Papacy win the war against God's saints? What will happen to her? Micah 7:10 (*Compare Micah 7:10 with Daniel 3:15 and then, Daniel 7:24, 25 to confirm that this points to the Papacy*)

18. As we close, let us meditate on the hope for those seeking to overcome the miry condition of sin.

19. What did David exclaim when he realized that his sins were overtaking him? Where was he sinking into? Psalm 69:1-3; 69:14

20. Who also cried out to God to save them from sinking? What did they exclaim which must be our prayer? Matthew 8:25-26

21. What does Jesus want us not to do once he delivers us from a life of mire and sin? 2 Peter 2:22

22. What promise awaits those who by God's grace choose to come out of a life of sin? Psalm 40:2

23. Who does the rock represent? Matthew 16:18; 1 Corinthians 10:4 _____

24. **Note:** Jesus wants to plant our feet on the rock. Another term for a rock is a stone (1 Peter 2:8). The stone in Daniel 2 points to Jesus' kingdom. When Jesus delivers us from our sins, His desire is to place us in the heavenly kingdom to reign with Him forever.