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Daniel

Daniel 1

Daniel 1:1

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In the year of three to the reign of Jehoiakim, king of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar, king of Babylon, came to Jerusalem and besieged against it.	*After King Jehoiakim had been ruling Judah for almost three years, King Nebuchadnezzar of Babylon came to Jerusalem with his army and surrounded the city.*

When did Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon come to Jerusalem to surround the city and cut off all supplies to it?

Nebuchadnezzar came to Jerusalem in the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim king of Judah.

Daniel 1:2

ULT	UST
And the Lord gave into his hand Jehoiakim, king of Judah, and some of the vessels of the house of God. And he brought them to the land of Shinar, to the house of his god, and he brought the vessels into the house of treasure of his god.	*After two years, the Lord allowed Nebuchadnezzar to capture Jehoiakim, the king of Judah. They also captured some of the things that the priests used in God's temple. They brought them back to Shinar, and Nebuchadnezzar put them in the treasury of the temple of his god.*

Who gave Nebuchadnezzar victory over Jehoiakim king of Judah?

The Lord gave Nebuchadnezzar victory over Jehoiakim.

Daniel 1:3

ULT	UST
Then the king told Ashpenaz, the master of his eunuchs, to bring from the sons of Israel, both from the seed of the kingdom and from the nobles,	*Then Nebuchadnezzar commanded Ashpenaz, the chief official in his palace, to bring some Israelite men to Babylon. He wanted men who belonged to important families, including the family of the king of Judah.*

What did the king tell Ashpenaz to do?

The king told Ashpenaz to bring to Babylon some of the people of Israel, both of the royal family and of the nobility.

Daniel 1:4

ULT	UST
youths in whom was not any blemish and who were good of appearance and being skillful in all wisdom and knowers of knowledge and understanders of knowledge and in whom was strength to stand in the palace of the king, and to teach them the writing and tongue of the Chaldeans.	*He wanted young men who were healthy, handsome, and very intelligent. They needed to be people who had learned and understood many things. They had to be capable of working in the palace. People were to teach them the language and literature of the Chaldeans.*

What kind of young men did the king want to be brought to Babylon?

The king wanted young men without blemish, attractive in appearance, skillful in all wisdom, filled with knowledge and understanding, qualified to serve in the king's palace.

Daniel 1:5

ULT	UST
And the king assigned to them the matter of a day in its day from the portion of the king and from the wine of his drinking, and three years for their upbringing, and from the end of them they would stand to the face of the king.	*The king told his servants to give them each day the same food and wine that he ate and drank. He told them to train them for three years. After that, they could work for him.*

What was the king's daily arrangement for these young men's food and drink?

Each day the king assigned them a portion of his own food and of the wine he drank, and he arranged for them to be trained for three years.

Daniel 1:6-7

What were the names of some of these young men from Israel and what names were they given by the chief official?

Daniel was called Belteshazzar; Hananiah was called Shadrach; Mishael was called Meshach, and Azariah was called Abednego.

Daniel 1:8

ULT	UST
But Daniel set upon his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king or with the wine of his drinking. So he sought from the chief of the eunuchs that he would not defile himself.	*But Daniel resolved not to make himself ritually unclean by eating the same food that the king ate or drinking the same wine that he drank. So he asked the chief official for permission to eat and drink something else.*

What did Daniel decide in his heart?

Daniel decided in his heart that he would not defile himself by eating the king's food or drinking his wine.

Daniel 1:9

ULT	UST
And God gave Daniel to favor and to compassions to the face of the chief of the eunuchs.	*God caused the chief official to respect Daniel and to want to help him.*

What did God cause the chief official to do toward Daniel?

God caused the chief official to show favor and compassion to Daniel.

Daniel 1:10

ULT	UST
And the chief of the eunuchs said to Daniel, "I, I fear my lord the king, who has assigned your food and your drink. For why should he see your faces looking worse than the youths who are like your age? Then you would endanger my head with the king."	*However, the chief official told Daniel, "My master, the king, ordered us to give you his own food and drink. So I am afraid of what he might do to me if I let you eat something else. Suppose he saw that you were not as healthy as the other young men who are your age. Then he might execute me!"*

How did the chief official respond when Daniel asked him to be allowed not to eat the king's food and wine?

The chief official told Daniel that he feared the king, who had assigned Daniel's food and drink, and that the king might behead him if he saw Daniel looking worse than the other young men of his age.

Daniel 1:11-13

What did Daniel ask of the steward who had been assigned over Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah?

Daniel asked the steward to test them for ten days by giving them only vegetables to eat and water to drink, and then to compare their appearance with that of the young men who ate the king's food, and then decide what to do based on what he saw.

Daniel 1:14-15

After the steward agreed to the test, what did he observe after ten days when he compared Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah to the other young men?

The steward observed that Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah looked healthier and better fed than all the young men who ate the king's food.

Daniel 1:16

ULT	UST
So the steward was taking away their portion and the wine of their drinkings, and he was giving vegetables to them.	*So after that, the guard allowed them to keep eating only beans, grain, and vegetables. He did not make them eat the same food and drink the same wine as the king.*

What did the steward do after seeing how well Daniel and his friends looked?

The steward continued to take away their portion of the king's food and wine and gave them vegetables instead.

Daniel 1:17

ULT	UST
And these four youths, God gave to them knowledge and skill in all writing and wisdom, and Daniel understood all visions and dreams.	*God enabled those four young men to learn what the Babylonians were teaching them. He enabled them to understand their literature and to learn to think wisely. He enabled Daniel to understand what visions and dreams meant.*

What did God give to Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah?

God gave them knowledge and skill in all literature and wisdom, and Daniel understood all visions and dreams.

Daniel 1:18

ULT	UST
And at the end of the days, when the king had said to bring them in, then the chief of the eunuchs brought them to the face of Nebuchadnezzar.	*The king had said to bring the young men to him at the end of those three years. So the chief official brought them into the presence of Nebuchadnezzar.*

Who brought the young men before King Nebuchadnezzar at the end of the three years?

The chief of the eunuchs brought them before Nebuchadnezzar.

Daniel 1:19-20

What did the king find when he spoke with the whole group of young men?

The king found that none of them could compare with Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah. In every matter of wisdom and understanding that the king asked them about, he found them ten times better than all the magicians and enchanters in his whole kingdom.

Daniel 1:21

ULT	UST
And Daniel was there until the year of one to Cyrus the king.	*Daniel remained an advisor in the royal court right up to the time when Cyrus became king.*

Until when was Daniel in Babylon?

He was there until the first year of King Cyrus.

Daniel 2

Daniel 2:1

ULT	UST
And in the year of two to the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, Nebuchadnezzar dreamed dreams. And his spirit was troubled, and his sleep finished for him.	*One night during the second year of his reign, Nebuchadnezzar had a dream. The dream worried him very much. As a result, he could not get back to sleep.*

When did Nebuchadnezzar have dreams that troubled his mind so that he could not sleep?

This occurred in the second year of his reign.

Daniel 2:2

ULT	UST
Then the king said to call the magicians and the enchanters and the sorcerers and the Chaldeans to declare to the king his dreams. And they came, and they stood to the face of the king.	*So he told his servants to summon his magicians, enchanters, sorcerers, and other advisors. He wanted them to tell him what he had dreamed and what it meant. They came and stood in his presence.*

Why did the king summon the magicians, the enchanters, the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans?

The king wanted these men to tell him about his dreams.

Daniel 2:3

ULT	UST
And the king said to them, "I have dreamed a dream, and my spirit is troubled to know the dream."	*He told them, "I have had a dream, and it has worried me. I want to know what I dreamed."*

What did the king tell his advisors about his dream?

The king told them that he had dreamed a dream and that he wanted to know what it meant.

Daniel 2:4

ULT	UST
Then the Chaldeans said to the king in Aramaic, "O King, live forever! Tell the dream to your servants, and we will show the interpretation."	*The advisors replied to the king, speaking in Aramaic, "King Nebuchadnezzar, we hope you live for a long time! Tell us what you dreamed, and we will tell you what it means."*

What did the Chaldeans ask the king to do?

The Chaldeans asked the king to tell them the dream so they could tell him what it meant.

Daniel 2:5

ULT	UST
The king answered and was saying to the Chaldeans, "The word from me is firm. If you do not make me know the dream and its interpretation, you will be made into limbs, and your houses will be made a rubbish heap.	*But the king replied to them, "I am giving a strict command. If you do not tell me what I dreamed and what it means, I will order my soldiers to cut you into pieces. I will also order them to destroy your houses completely.*

What did the king specifically want the wise men to do?

The king wanted the wise men to reveal the dream to him and also to interpret the meaning of the dream for the king.

What did the king say would happen to the wise men if they failed to tell the king his dream and interpret it for him?

The king said that if they failed, their bodies would be cut into pieces and their houses would be turned into piles of rubbish.

Daniel 2:6

ULT	UST
But if you show the dream and its interpretation, you will receive gifts, a reward, and great honor from before me. Therefore, show me the dream and its interpretation."	*But if you do tell me what I dreamed and what it means, I will reward you. I will give you splendid gifts, and I will greatly honor you. So tell me what I dreamed and what it means!"*

What did the king say he would do for the person or people who revealed the dream to him and interpreted it?

The king said he would give that person or persons gifts, a reward, and great honor.

Daniel 2:7

ULT	UST
They answered again and were saying, “Let the king tell the dream to his servants, and we will show the interpretation.”	*But again they replied, “Please tell us what you dreamed, and then we will tell you what it means.”*

What did the advisors say again to the king?

They said again that the king should tell them the dream, and they would tell him what it meant.

Daniel 2:8

ULT	UST
The king answered and was saying, “I am knowing for certain that you are buying time all before that you see that the word from me is firm.	*The king responded, “I recognize clearly that you know that I will certainly do what I have said, so you are trying to get more time.*

What did the king say the advisors were doing?

The king said that the advisors were trying to get more time because they knew he would carry out what he had said.

Daniel 2:9

ULT	UST
But if you do not make me know the dream, your decree is one. For you have agreed together to speak a false and corrupted word before me until that the time is changed. Therefore, tell the dream to me, and I will know that you do show me its interpretation.”	*But if you do not tell me what I dreamed, I will do to you exactly what I said. I believe that you have all agreed to tell me a false explanation of my dream so that I do not punish you. So I insist that you tell me what I dreamed. Then I will know that you can also tell me what it really means.”*

What did the king say the advisors had agreed to do?

The king said they had agreed to tell him a false explanation until the situation changed.

Daniel 2:10-11

Who did the Chaldeans say could do what the king asked concerning his dream?

The Chaldeans said that there was not a man on earth who could meet the king’s demand, only the gods could do that.

Daniel 2:12

ULT	UST
All before this, the king became angry and became very furious, and he said to destroy all of the wise men of Babylon.	*When the king heard that, he became extremely angry. He commanded his soldiers to execute all the wise men in Babylon.*

How did the king feel after the advisors said they could not tell him his dream?

The king became extremely angry, and he commanded that all the wise men of Babylon be executed.

Daniel 2:13

ULT	UST
And the decree went out that the wise men were to be killed. And they sought Daniel and his friends, to be killed.	*Because the king had commanded his soldiers to kill all the wise men, some soldiers went to find Daniel and his friends so that they could kill them.*

After the wise men's reply to Nebuchadnezzar, what did the king decree?

The king decreed that all those known for their wisdom were to be put to death.

Daniel 2:14

ULT	UST
Then Daniel replied with prudence and discretion to Arioch the captain of the guard of the king, who had gone out to kill the wise men of Babylon.	*Arioch, the commander of the king's bodyguard, was leading the soldiers who came to kill Daniel and his friends. And Daniel spoke to him wisely and tactfully.*

Who was Arioch?

He was the captain of the king's guard, the one who had gone out to kill the wise men of Babylon.

Daniel 2:14-15

How did Daniel interact with Arioch when he came to Daniel?

Daniel replied with prudence and discretion to Arioch. He asked Arioch why the king's decree was so urgent.

Daniel 2:16

ULT	UST
Then Daniel went in and sought from the king that he give time to him, that he might show the interpretation to the king.	*Daniel went to the king and asked him to give me some time so that he tell him his dream and what it meant.*

What did Daniel request after speaking with Arioch?

Daniel went in and asked the king to give him time so that he could tell the king what his dream meant.

Daniel 2:17

ULT	UST
Then Daniel went to his house, and he made Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his friends, know the matter,	*Then he went home and told his friends Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah what had happened.*

What did Daniel do when he went to his house?

Daniel told his friends Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah what had happened.

Daniel 2:18

ULT	UST
that they might seek mercies from before the God of the heavens concerning this mystery, that they might not destroy Daniel and his friends with the rest of the wise men of Babylon.	*He asked them to pray to God in heaven and ask him to be merciful to them and show them what the king had dreamed and what it meant. Then the king's soldiers would not kill them, even if they killed the other wise men in Babylon.*

What did Daniel ask his friends to seek from the God of heaven?

Daniel asked them to seek mercy from the God of heaven about the mystery, so that he and his friends would not be killed with the other wise men of Babylon.

Daniel 2:19

ULT	UST
Then the mystery was revealed to Daniel in a vision of the night. Then Daniel blessed the God of the heavens.	*That night God revealed the dream and its meaning to Daniel in a vision. Then Daniel praised God.*

What did Daniel do after the secret was revealed to him?

Daniel praised the God of heaven.

Daniel 2:20

ULT	UST
Daniel answered and was saying, "May his name, of God, be blessed from eternity and to eternity, for wisdom and power, for they are to him.	*He said, "People should praise God forever! He is the one who is truly wise and powerful.*

What did Daniel say about God's wisdom and power?

Daniel said that wisdom and power belong to God, and that God's name should be blessed forever.

Daniel 2:21

ULT	UST
And he is the one changing times and seasons, the one removing kings and setting up kings, the one giving wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the knowers of understanding.	*He controls the different things that happen at various times. He stops some kings from reigning, and he makes other kings start reigning. He is the one who enables people to be wise and to understand difficult things.*

What did Daniel say God does with kings and with wisdom?

Daniel said that God removes kings and sets up kings, and that God gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who understand.

Daniel 2:22

ULT	UST
He is revealing the deep and the hidden; he knows what is in the darkness, and the light is lodged with him.	*He reveals things that are very mysterious. Everything is light where he is, but he also knows what happens where it is dark.*

What did Daniel say God reveals and knows?

Daniel said God reveals deep and hidden things, and that God knows what is in the darkness because the light is with him.

Daniel 2:23

ULT	UST
God of my fathers, I am thanking and praising you, for you have given wisdom and power to me. And now, you have made me know what we sought from you, for you have made us know the matter of the king."	*You are the God whom my ancestors worshiped. I thank you and praise you because you have made me wise and strong. You have revealed to us what the king dreamed and what it meant. So you have done just what we prayed you would do."*

For what did Daniel thank the God of his ancestors?

Daniel thanked the God of his ancestors for the wisdom and power the God of his ancestors had given him.

Daniel 2:24

ULT	UST
All before this, Daniel went in to Arioch, whom the king had appointed to destroy the wise men of Babylon. He went, and thus he said to him, "May you not destroy the wise men of Babylon. Bring me in before the king, and I will show the interpretation to the king."	*Then Daniel went to Arioch, the man whom the king had appointed to execute the wise men of Babylon. He said to him, "Please do not kill us wise men. Take me to the king, and I will tell him what his dream means."*

Who did Daniel go see after the secret was revealed to him?

Daniel went in to see Arioch.

What did Daniel tell Arioch?

Daniel told Arioch not to kill the wise men in Babylon. Daniel told Arioch to escort him before the king so Daniel could tell the king the dream's meaning.

Daniel 2:25

ULT	UST
Then Arioch, in hastening himself, brought Daniel in before the king, and thus he said to him, that "I have found a man from the sons of the captivity of Judah who will make the king know the interpretation."	*So Arioch quickly took Daniel to the king. He told the king, "Here is one of the men whom our soldiers brought from Judah. He says that he can tell you what your dream means."*

What did Arioch tell the king about Daniel?

Arioch told the king that he had found a man from the captives of Judah who could tell the king the interpretation of his dream.

Daniel 2:26

ULT	UST
The king answered and was saying to Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, "Are you being able to make me know the dream that I saw and its interpretation?"	*The king spoke to Daniel. (He called him Belteshazzar.) He asked, "Can you really tell me what I dreamed and what it means?"*

What did the king ask Daniel?

The king asked Daniel whether he was able to tell him the dream that he had seen and its interpretation.

Daniel 2:27

ULT	UST
Daniel answered before the king and said, "The mystery that the king has asked, wise men, enchanters, magicians, diviners, are not being able to show to the king.	*Daniel replied to him, "No wise man or enchanter or magician or fortuneteller could tell you what you want to know.*

What did Daniel say about the wise men, enchanters, magicians, and diviners?

Daniel said that they were not able to show the king the mystery that he had asked about.

Daniel 2:28

ULT	UST
However, there is a God in the heavens revealing mysteries, and he has made King Nebuchadnezzar know that which will be at the end of days. Your dream and the visions of your head upon your bed was this.	*But there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, and he has shown you, King Nebuchadnezzar, what will happen in the future. This is what you saw in your dream as you were lying on your bed.*

When Daniel was brought in to the king, who did Daniel say could reveal the mystery the king had demanded?

Daniel said there is a God who lives in the heavens, who reveals secrets.

In general what did Daniel say the king's dream was about?

Daniel said the dream was about what would happen in the days to come.

Daniel 2:29

ULT	UST
You, O king, your thoughts arose upon your bed about that which will be after this, and the revealer of mysteries has made you know that which will be.	*Your Majesty, while you were sleeping, you dreamed about what is going to happen in the future. God, who reveals secrets, has shown you what is going to happen.*

What did Daniel say the king had been thinking about while on his bed?

Daniel said the king had been thinking about what will happen in the future, and that God had revealed to him what that will be.

Daniel 2:30

ULT	UST
And I, this mystery has been revealed to me not because of wisdom that is in me more than all of the living, but for the purpose that they may make the king know the interpretation and you may know the thoughts of your heart.	*I do not know your dream and its meaning because I am wiser than anyone else on earth. It is because God wants you to understand what your dream means. It explains what you were wondering about.*

Why was the dream revealed to Daniel?

The dream was revealed to Daniel so that the king might understand the meaning and know the thoughts deep within himself.

Daniel 2:31-32

What did the statue that the king saw in his dream look like?

The statue was large and had a head of gold, a chest and arms of silver, its middle and thighs were bronze, its legs of iron and its feet part iron and part clay.

Daniel 2:33

ULT	UST
its legs, of iron; its feet, some of them of iron and some of them of clay.	*Its legs were iron, and its feet were partly iron and partly clay.*

What were the feet of the statue made of?

The feet of the statue were made partly of iron and partly of clay.

Daniel 2:34-35

What happened to the statue the king saw in his dream?

The king saw a stone cut, but not by human hands. The stone struck the statue's feet and the whole statue shattered into pieces which the wind carried away.

Daniel 2:35

ULT	UST
Then at once the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver, and the gold crumbled, and they became like the chaff of the threshing floors of summer. And the wind carried them away, and any place was not found for them. But the stone that struck the statue became a great mountain, and it filled all of the earth.	*Immediately the iron, clay, bronze, silver, and gold parts of the statue also broke into tiny pieces. Those pieces were as small as the chaff that people separate from grain after they harvest it. The wind blew away all those tiny pieces. Nothing remained. But the rock that had smashed the statue became a large mountain that covered the whole earth.*

What happened to the stone that struck the statue?

The stone that struck the statue became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.

Daniel 2:36

ULT	UST
This was the dream. And we will tell its interpretation before the king.	*That was what you dreamed. Now I will tell you what it means.*

What did Daniel say he and his friends would do after telling the king his dream?

Daniel said they would tell the king the interpretation of the dream.

Daniel 2:37

ULT	UST
You, O king, are the king of kings to whom the God of the heavens has given the kingdom, the power, the strength, and the glory.	*You are a king who rules over many other kings. God, who rules in heaven, has enabled you to rule over them. He has given you great power and much honor.*

What did Daniel say God had given to the king?

Daniel said God had given the king the kingdom, the power, the strength, and the glory.

Daniel 2:38

ULT	UST
And in everywhere that are dwelling the sons of man, the beast of the field, and the bird of the heavens, he has given into your hand, and he has made you rule over all of them. You are the head of gold.	*He has made you the ruler of a great territory. It seems as if you have power over every place where people and animals and birds live. The golden head of the statue represents you.*

Who was the head of gold?

King Nebuchadnezzar was the head of gold.

Daniel 2:39

ULT	UST
And after you another kingdom will arise, earthward from you, and a third kingdom, another, of bronze, that will rule over all of the earth.	*But your kingdom will end, and afterward there will be another great kingdom, which the silver part of the statue represents. However, it will not be as great as yours. After that, there will be a third great kingdom, which the bronze part of the statue represents. Its king will rule over a very great territory.*

What did Daniel say would happen after the king's kingdom?

Daniel said another kingdom would arise after his, and then a third kingdom of bronze would rule over all the earth.

Daniel 2:40

ULT	UST
And a fourth kingdom will be, strong as iron, all before that iron is crushing and shattering everything. And like iron that is breaking, it will crush and break all of these.	*After that, there will be a fourth great kingdom. The iron part of the statue represents that kingdom. It will be very strong, just as iron is so strong that it crushes and breaks whatever it strikes. The army of this kingdom will conquer the territory of the previous kingdoms as if it were an iron weapon smashing them.*

What did Daniel say the fourth kingdom would be like?

Daniel said the fourth kingdom would be strong like iron, and it would crush and break all the other kingdoms.

Daniel 2:41

ULT	UST
And that you saw the feet and the toes, some of them clay of a potter and some of them iron, it will be a divided kingdom. For some of the firmness of iron will be in it, all before that you saw iron mixed with the clay of mire.	*You saw that the feet and toes of the statue were partly clay and partly iron. That meant that this kingdom will divide into two parts. You saw that there was iron as well as clay, and that meant that this kingdom will still be somewhat strong like iron.*

What did the feet and toes made of clay and iron mean?

They meant that the kingdom would be divided, partly strong like iron and partly weak, because the king saw iron mixed with clay.

Daniel 2:42

ULT	UST
And as the toes of the feet, some of them were iron and some of them were clay, some of the kingdom will be strong and some of it will be brittle.	*However, you saw that there was clay as well as iron in the toes of the statue. That meant that some of this kingdom will be weak, like clay that breaks easily, even though some of it will be strong like iron.*

What did the iron and clay in the toes of the statue represent?

They represented that part of the kingdom would be strong and part of it would be brittle.

Daniel 2:43

ULT	UST
That you saw the iron mixed with the clay of mire, they will be mixing themselves by the seed of man, but they will not be cleaving this with this, even as iron does not mix itself with clay.	*You saw iron and clay together in the statue's feet and toes. That meant that the rulers of the parts of this kingdom will try to join themselves together through marriage alliances. However, they will not succeed in uniting their realms. After all, iron does not mix with clay.*

What did Daniel say would happen even though the kingdoms would mix themselves by marriage?

Daniel said the kingdoms would not stay united with each other, just as iron does not mix with clay.

Daniel 2:44

ULT	UST
And in the days of those kings, the God of the heavens will set up a kingdom that will not be destroyed to eternities, and the kingdom will not be left to another people. It will crush and finish all of these kingdoms, but it, it will stand to eternities.	*While those kings are ruling, God, who rules everything from heaven, will establish a kingdom that will never end. No one will ever defeat its king and take over his kingdom. He will completely destroy all those kingdoms, but his kingdom will last forever.*

What will the God of heaven do in the days of the kingdom that is partly iron and partly clay?

In those days the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that will never be destroyed or conquered by another people.

Daniel 2:45

ULT	UST
All before that you saw that a stone was cut from a mountain, but not by hands, and it crushed the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold, the great God has made the king know that which will be after this. And the dream is certain and its interpretation is confirmed."	*You saw a rock that someone, but not a human, cut from a mountain. That rock crushed the iron, bronze, clay, silver, and gold parts of the statue. It represents this last king. Your Majesty, the great God has shown you what will happen in the future. Since I have told you what you actually dreamed, you can trust that I have also told you what it truly means."*

What did Daniel say about the dream and its interpretation?

Daniel said the dream was certain and its interpretation was confirmed.

Daniel 2:46

ULT	UST
Then King Nebuchadnezzar fell on his face and worshiped Daniel, and he said to present an offering and incense to him.	*Then King Nebuchadnezzar bowed down in front of Daniel to honor him. He commanded his officials to give Daniel a grain offering and to burn incense to honor him.*

What did Nebuchadnezzar command to be done for Daniel after he finished telling the king the dream and its interpretation?

The king commanded an offering to be made and incense be offered up to Daniel.

Daniel 2:47

ULT	UST
The king answered and was saying to Daniel, "In truth that your God is the God of gods and the Lord of kings and the revealer of mysteries, for you have been able to reveal this mystery."	*The king told Daniel, "Your God has enabled you to tell me the meaning of my dream. So he truly is greater than any of the gods that other nations worship. He is more powerful than any earthly king. He reveals secrets that no one else could know."*

What did Nebuchadnezzar say concerning Daniel's God?

Nebuchadnezzar said Daniel's God is the God of gods, the Lord of kings and the one who reveals secrets.

Daniel 2:48

ULT	UST
Then the king made Daniel great, and he gave many great gifts to him, and he made him rule over all of the province of Babylon and chief of the governors over all of the wise men of Babylon.	*Then the king made Daniel a powerful royal official. He gave him many lavish gifts. He appointed him to rule the entire province of Babylon. He also made him the leader of the officials who governed the wise men of Babylon.*

What did the king do for Daniel after the interpretation?

The king made Daniel great, gave him many gifts, and made him ruler over the province of Babylon and chief over all the wise men of Babylon.

Daniel 2:49

ULT	UST
And Daniel sought from the king, and he appointed Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego over the work of the province of Babylon. But Daniel was at the gate of the king.	*At Daniel's request, the king appointed Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to important positions in the province of Babylon. Daniel himself worked in the king's palace.*

What did Nebuchadnezzar do after Daniel made a request of the king?

The king appointed Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to be administrators over the province of Babylon.

Daniel 3

Daniel 3:1

ULT	UST
King Nebuchadnezzar made a statue of gold. Its height was sixty cubits. Its width was six cubits. He set it up on the Plain of Dura in the province of Babylon.	*King Nebuchadnezzar ordered his craftsmen to make a giant statue and cover it completely with gold. It was 27 meters high and 2. 7 meters wide. They set it up on the Plain of Dura in the province of Babylon.*

What were the dimensions of the gold statue that king Nebuchadnezzar made and set up on the Plain of Dura?

The statue was sixty cubits tall and six cubits wide.

Daniel 3:2

ULT	UST
And King Nebuchadnezzar sent to assemble the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all of the rulers of the provinces to come to the dedication of the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.	*Then the king sent messengers to the satraps, the prefects, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and the other officials in the province. He ordered them to come to the dedication of the statue that he had set up.*

Who did King Nebuchadnezzar send to assemble for the dedication of the statue?

He sent messengers to assemble the satraps, the prefects, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all the other officials of the provinces.

Daniel 3:3

ULT	UST
Then the satraps, the prefects, and the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and all of the rulers of the provinces were assembling themselves for the dedication of the statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up. And they were standing before the statue that Nebuchadnezzar had set up.	*So the satraps, the prefects, the governors, the counselors, the treasurers, the judges, the magistrates, and the other officials in the province came for the dedication of the statue that the king had set up. They all stood in front of that statue.*

Who came to the dedication of the statue that Nebuchadnezzar had made?

The provincial governors, regional governors, and local governors, together with the counselors, treasurers, judges, magistrates and all the high officials of the provinces came to the dedication.

Daniel 3:4-5

What did Nebuchadnezzar want those in attendance at the dedication to do?

He wanted those in attendance to fall down and worship the golden statue when they heard the sound of the horns, flutes, lyres, zithers, harps, and bagpipes, and all kinds of music.

Daniel 3:6

ULT	UST
But who that does not fall down and worship, in that moment he will be thrown into the midst of a furnace of blazing fire."	*The king's soldiers will immediately throw anyone who does not do that into a furnace that is blazing with fire!"*

What did the king command to happen to those who did not fall down and worship the statue when they heard all the instruments and the music?

The king said that those who would not fall down and worship, at that very moment, would be thrown into a blazing furnace.

Daniel 3:7

ULT	UST
All before this, at that time in which all of the peoples heard the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp and all kinds of music, all of the peoples, nations, and languages, falling down, were worshiping the golden statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.	*So when the officials who had gathered there heard the music of horns, flutes, lyres, zithers, harps, and other instruments, they bowed down to worship King Nebuchadnezzar's golden statue.*

What did the peoples, nations, and languages do when they heard the sound of the music?

They fell down and worshiped the golden statue that King Nebuchadnezzar had set up.

Daniel 3:8

ULT	UST
All before this, at that time men, Chaldeans, approached and ate the pieces of the Jews.	*But because of something they saw, some of the king's advisors then went to him and said bad things about the Jews who were provincial officials.*

Who brought accusations against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?

Certain Chaldeans came and brought accusations against them.

Daniel 3:9

ULT	UST
They answered and were saying to King Nebuchadnezzar, "O king, live to eternities!	*They told King Nebuchadnezzar, "Your Majesty, we hope that you will live for a very long time!*

What did the Chaldeans say to the king before they accused Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?

They wished the king a long life before making their accusation.

Daniel 3:10

ULT	UST
You, O king, have set a decree that every man who hears the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, and bagpipe and all kinds of music shall fall down and worship the golden statue	*You commanded all of us officials to bow down and worship your golden statue when we heard the music of horns, flutes, lyres, zithers, harps, bagpipes, and other instruments.*

What decree did the Chaldeans remind the king that he had made?

They reminded him that he had decreed that everyone who heard the music must fall down and worship the golden statue.

Daniel 3:11

ULT	UST
and who that does not fall down and worship will be thrown into the midst of a furnace of blazing fire.	*You said that if anyone did not do that, you would command your solders to throw him into a furnace that was blazing with fire.*

What did the Chaldeans say would happen to anyone who did not worship the statue?

They said that person would be thrown into a blazing furnace.

Daniel 3:12

ULT	UST
There are men, Jews, whom you have appointed them over the work of the province of Babylon, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. These men do not set regard on you, O king. They are not serving your gods, and they are not worshiping the golden statue that you have set up."	*But there are some men who are not obeying your decree, Your Majesty. They are men from Judah whom you have appointed to be officials in the province of Babylon. Their names are Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. They refuse to worship your gods. They did not bow down to your golden statue."*

Who did not fall down and worship the statue?

Certain Jews, their names being Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, would not fall down and worship the statue.

Daniel 3:13

ULT	UST
Then Nebuchadnezzar in rage and heat said to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego. Then they brought these men before the king.	*When he heard that, Nebuchadnezzar became extremely angry. He commanded his soldiers to bring Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to him. When those three men arrived,*

What did Nebuchadnezzar command when he heard the accusation against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?

He angrily commanded that Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego be brought before him, and they were brought before the king.

Daniel 3:14

ULT	UST
Nebuchadnezzar answered and was saying to them, "Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, you are not serving my gods and not worshiping the golden statue that I have set up?	*Nebuchadnezzar said to them, "Is it true, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, that you refuse to worship my gods? Did you not bow down to my golden statue?*

What did Nebuchadnezzar ask Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?

He asked them if it was true that they did not serve his gods or worship the golden statue he had set up.

Daniel 3:15

ULT	UST
Now if you are ready, that at the moment when you hear the sound of the horn, pipe, lyre, trigon, harp, and bagpipe and all kinds of music, you fall down and worship the statue that I have made; but if you do not worship, in that moment you will be thrown into the midst of a furnace of blazing fire. And who is the god who will deliver you from my hand?"	*I will not punish you if you are willing to bow down and worship my statue when you hear the music of horns, flutes, lyres, zithers, harps, bagpipes, and other instruments. But if you do not bow down, I will immediately command my soldiers to throw you into a furnace that is blazing with fire. Then what god would be able to rescue you from my power?"*

What did Nebuchadnezzar tell Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego would happen if they refused to worship the statue?

He told them they would immediately be thrown into a blazing furnace, and no god would be able to rescue them from his power.

Daniel 3:16

ULT	UST
Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered and were saying to the king, "Nebuchadnezzar, we are not needing to answer you about this matter.	*Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego replied, "Nebuchadnezzar, we do not need to make a decision about what to do and then tell you whether we are willing to bow down to your statue.*

What did Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego tell the king?

They told him that they did not need to answer him about this matter.

Daniel 3:17-18

What was the response of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego to the king when the king repeated the command to fall down and worship the statue, and stated the consequences if they did not follow the king's command?

Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego responded that their God could and would keep them safe and rescue them from the blazing furnace. But even if not, they would not worship Nebuchadnezzar's gods or prostrate themselves to the statue.

Daniel 3:19-20

What did Nebuchadnezzar command concerning Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego?

Nebuchadnezzar ordered the furnace to be heated seven times hotter than normal, and for Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego to be tied up and thrown into the furnace.

Daniel 3:21

ULT	UST
Then they bound these men in their cloaks, their tunics, their turbans, and their garments, and they threw them into the midst of the furnace of blazing fire.	*So those soldiers tied up the three men and threw them into the furnace. The men were still wearing their robes, tunics, turbans, and other clothes.*

How were Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego dressed when they were thrown into the furnace?

They were bound in their cloaks, tunics, turbans, and other garments when they were thrown into the blazing furnace.

Daniel 3:22-23

What happened to Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego and the men who took them to put them in the furnace?

The men who took up Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego were killed by the very hot flames from the furnace and Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego fell into the furnace.

Daniel 3:24

ULT	UST
Then King Nebuchadnezzar marveled, and he stood up in hastening himself. He answered and was saying to his counselors, "Did we not throw three men into the midst of the fire bound?" They answered and were saying to the king, "True, O king."	*But then King Nebuchadnezzar saw something that amazed him. He quickly jumped up and asked his advisors, "Did we not tie up three men and throw them into the furnace?" The advisors replied, "Yes, Your Majesty, we did."*

What did Nebuchadnezzar ask his counselors after he saw something amazing in the furnace?

He asked them if they had not thrown three men, bound, into the fire, and they answered that it was true.

Daniel 3:25

ULT	UST
He answered and was saying, "Behold, I am seeing four men loosened walking about in the midst of the fire, and harm is not upon them. And the appearance of the fourth resembles a son of the gods."	*Nebuchadnezzar responded, "But look! I see four men! They have no ropes around them, and they are walking around in the flames. The fire is not hurting them! And the fourth man looks like a divine being!"*

What caused Nebuchadnezzar to be amazed and stand up quickly?

Nebuchadnezzar was amazed because he saw four men, not tied up, walking around in the fire and they were not hurt and the brilliance of the fourth man was like a son of the gods.

Daniel 3:26

ULT	UST
Then Nebuchadnezzar approached to the door of the furnace of blazing fire. He answered and was saying, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, his servants of the Most High God, come out and come here!" Then Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego were coming out from the midst of the fire.	*Then Nebuchadnezzar came closer to the opening of the furnace. He shouted, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, you men who worship the Supreme God, come out of there! Come over here!" So they stepped out of the furnace.*

What did Nebuchadnezzar say to Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego at the door of the furnace?

He called for the servants of the Most High God to come out, and they came out of the fire.

Daniel 3:27

ULT	UST
And assembling themselves, the satraps, the prefects, the governors, and the counselors of the king were seeing these men, that the fire had not ruled over their bodies. For the hair of their heads was not singed and their cloaks had not changed and the smell of fire had not passed onto them.	*Then the satraps, prefects, governors, and royal counselors crowded around them. They saw that the flames had not harmed them. The flames had not even singed any of the hair on their heads or scorched any of their clothes! There was not even any smell of smoke on them!*

What did those present observe about Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego after they came out of the fire?

Those present observed that the fire had not hurt their bodies; the hair on their heads was not singed; their robes were not harmed; and there was no smell of fire on them.

Daniel 3:28

ULT	UST
Nebuchadnezzar answered and was saying, "Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, who sent his angel and delivered his servants who entrusted themselves to him and changed the word of the king and gave up their bodies that they might not serve and not worship any god except their God.	*Then Nebuchadnezzar said, "People should praise the God whom Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego worship! He sent one of his angels to rescue these three men who worship him and who trusted him to protect them. They were willing to die rather than worship any other god other than their own God. As a result, they made my punishment have no effect.*

What did Nebuchadnezzar say about the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?

He said that God was blessed because he sent his angel and rescued his servants, who were willing to give up their bodies rather than serve or worship any other god.

Daniel 3:29

ULT	UST
And from me a decree is set that any people, nation, or language that says anything against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego will be made into limbs and its house be made a rubbish heap, all before that there is not another god that is able to rescue like this."	*Therefore, I am now making this decree: 'No person, no matter what nation or group he comes from or what language he speaks, may criticize the God whom Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego worship. If anyone does, I will order my soldiers to cut him into pieces. I will also order them to destroy his house completely. That is because there is no other god who can rescue people like this!'"*

What decree did Nebuchadnezzar issue after the event of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego and the blazing furnace?

Nebuchadnezzar decreed that anyone from any people, nation, or language who spoke against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego would be cut into pieces and their house destroyed, because no other god is able to save like this one.

Daniel 3:30

ULT	UST
Then the king promoted Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego in the province of Babylon.	*Then the king gave Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego more important positions in the province of Babylon.*

What did the king do for Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego?

Nebuchadnezzar, the king, promoted Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego in the province of Babylon.

Daniel 4

Daniel 4:1

ULT	UST
King Nebuchadnezzar, to all of the peoples, nations, and languages that are dwelling in all of the earth. May your peace abound.	*I, King Nebuchadnezzar, am writing to all of you people who live in my empire. You come from many different nations and groups, and you speak many different languages. I hope that all is well with you.*

To whom did Nebuchadnezzar send the decree?

Nebuchadnezzar sent the decree to all peoples, nations, and languages who lived on the earth.

Daniel 4:2

ULT	UST
It has seemed good before me to make known the signs and wonders that the Most High God has done with me.	*I want you to know the wonderful things that the Supreme God has done for me.*

Why did Nebuchadnezzar send the decree?

Nebuchadnezzar sent the decree to tell everyone about the signs and wonders the Most High had done for him.

Daniel 4:3

ULT	UST
How great are his signs, and how mighty are his wonders! His kingdom is a kingdom of eternity, and his dominion is with generation and generation.	*He performs great miracles; yes, he does very wonderful things. His kingdom will last forever; indeed, he will rule over every generation of people.*

What did Nebuchadnezzar say about the Most High?

Nebuchadnezzar said that the Most High's signs are great and his wonders are mighty, that his kingdom lasts forever, and that he rules over every generation.

Daniel 4:4

ULT	UST
I, Nebuchadnezzar, was being secure in my house and prosperous in my palace.	*I, Nebuchadnezzar, was reigning firmly over my kingdom, and I was living comfortably in my palace.*

How was Nebuchadnezzar living before he had his dream?

Nebuchadnezzar was living securely in his house and prospering in his palace.

Daniel 4:5

ULT	UST
I saw a dream and it frightened me. And the thoughts upon my bed and the visions of my head alarmed me.	*But one night I had a dream that scared me. What I saw in my dream as I was asleep in bed distressed me greatly.*

What made Nebuchadnezzar afraid?

A dream that Nebuchadnezzar saw frightened him, and the thoughts and visions in his mind alarmed him.

Daniel 4:6

ULT	UST
And a decree was set from me to bring before me all of the wise men of Babylon, that they might make me know the interpretation of the dream.	*So I sent an order to all the wise men in Babylon to come and tell me what my dream meant.*

Why did Nebuchadnezzar issue a decree to bring before him all the wise men of Babylon?

Nebuchadnezzar wanted the wise men of Babylon to come and interpret his dream for him.

Daniel 4:7

ULT	UST
Then the magicians, the enchanters, the Chaldeans, and the diviners were coming in, and I was telling the dream before them, but they were not making me know its interpretation.	*And various magicians, enchanters, advisors, and fortunetellers came to me. I told them what I had dreamed, but they could not tell me what it meant.*

What happened when Nebuchadnezzar told his dream to the magicians, enchanters, Chaldeans, and diviners?

They were not able to tell Nebuchadnezzar what the dream meant.

Daniel 4:8-9

What was Daniel's Babylonian name and what was Daniel's position in Nebuchadnezzar's kingdom?

Daniel's Babylonian name was Belteshazzar and he held the position of "chief of the magicians."

Who did Nebuchadnezzar believe was able to tell the interpretation of his dream?

Nebuchadnezzar believed Daniel could interpret his dream for him, for Nebuchadnezzar said of Daniel, "the spirit of the holy gods is in you, so no mystery is too hard for you to explain."

Daniel 4:10-12

What did Nebuchadnezzar see in the first part of his dream?

Nebuchadnezzar saw a great, strong, beautiful tree that reached to the heavens. It provided shade for animals and an abode for the birds. It had abundant fruit that fed all living creatures.

Daniel 4:13-14

What did the holy messenger from the heavens say to do to the tree?

The holy messenger said to chop down the tree, cut off its branches, strip off its leaves and scatter its fruit.

Daniel 4:15-16

What was to be done with the tree stump?

The stump was to be left in the earth, bound with a band of iron and bronze. Let it be wet with dew. Let it live with the animals. Let his mind be that of an animal and not of a man for seven years.

Daniel 4:17

ULT	UST
The matter is by a decree of the watchers, and the decision is from a command of the holy ones, for the purpose that the living may know that the Most High is ruler over the kingdom of man, and to whom that he wishes, he gives it, and he sets up over it the lowest of men.'	*The holy angels have decided that this will be his punishment. They want people to know that the Supreme God rules over human kingdoms. He chooses who will be their kings. He even makes people who were not important into kings.'*

What was the purpose of doing this to the tree in Nebuchadnezzar's dream?

The purpose was to show Nebuchadnezzar that those who are alive would know that the Most High rules over the kingdoms of peoples and gives them to anyone he wishes to place over them.

Daniel 4:18

ULT	UST
I saw this dream, I, King Nebuchadnezzar. And you, Belteshazzar, tell the interpretation, all before that all of the wise men of my kingdom are not being able to make me know the interpretation. But you are being able because the spirit of the holy gods is in you."	*That is what I, King Nebuchadnezzar, saw in my dream. Now I want you, Belteshazzar, to tell me what it means. I am asking you because none of my other wise men could tell me what it meant. But I believe you can tell me because the spirit of the holy gods is in you."*

What did Nebuchadnezzar tell Belteshazzar about his other wise men?

Nebuchadnezzar said that none of his other wise men were able to tell him the interpretation of the dream, but Belteshazzar was able because the spirit of the holy gods was in him.

Daniel 4:19

ULT	UST
Then Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar, was appalled for a moment, and his thoughts alarmed him. The king answered and was saying, "Belteshazzar, may the dream and the interpretation not alarm you." Belteshazzar answered and was saying, "My lord, may the dream be for the ones hating you and its interpretation, for your enemies.	*But Daniel, whom we called Belteshazzar, did not say anything for a while. That was because he knew what the dream meant, and it distressed him. Finally I said to him, "Belteshazzar, do not let the dream and its meaning distress you." He replied, "Sir, I hope that what your dream shows will happen to your enemies, who hate you, and not to you.*

How did Daniel react when he first understood the dream?

Daniel was appalled for a moment, and his thoughts alarmed him.

Daniel 4:20-21

What details did Daniel repeat about the tree Nebuchadnezzar saw in his dream?

Daniel said the tree had become great and strong, reached to the heavens, and could be seen from all the earth; it had beautiful leaves and much fruit, and animals and birds lived in it.

Daniel 4:22

ULT	UST
it is you, O king, who have become great and have become strong. And your greatness has become great and has reached to the heavens, and your dominion, to the end of the earth.	*Your Majesty, that tree represents you! You have become great and strong. It is as if you rule everything from the ground up to the sky, all throughout the world.*

Who did Daniel say the tree was in Nebuchadnezzar's dream?

Daniel said the tree was Nebuchadnezzar.

Daniel 4:23

ULT	UST
And that the king saw a watcher and a holy one coming down from the heavens and saying, 'Cut down the tree and destroy it, but leave the stump of its roots in the earth, and with a band of iron and bronze, in the grass of the field, and let it be wet with the dew of the heavens, and let its portion be with the beast of the field until that seven times pass over him,'	*But in your dream, you saw a holy angel coming down from heaven. That angel said, 'Cut down that tree so that it does not keep growing! But leave the stump of the tree with its roots in the ground where grass grows. Fasten a band of iron and bronze around the stump to protect it from splitting. Let the dew that forms from the air keep it damp. Make the person whom that tree represents eat what wild animals do for seven years.'*

What did Daniel say the holy messenger told Nebuchadnezzar to do to the tree?

Daniel said the holy messenger told Nebuchadnezzar to cut down the tree but leave its stump bound with iron and bronze in the field, wet with dew, until seven times passed over him.

Daniel 4:24

ULT	UST
this is the interpretation, O king, and it is the decree of the Most High that has come upon my lord the king,	*This is what your dream means, Your Majesty. It shows what the Supreme God has decided will happen to you.*

Whose decree did Daniel say was coming upon King Nebuchadnezzar?

Daniel said it was the decree of the Most High that was coming upon King Nebuchadnezzar.

Daniel 4:25

ULT	UST
that they will be driving you from man, and your dwelling will be with the beast of the field. And they will feed you grass like oxen, and they will be wetting you with the dew of the heavens. And seven times will pass over you until that you know that the Most High is ruler over the kingdom of man and to whom that he wishes, he gives it.	*You will no longer have a human mind, and so you will no longer live among people. Instead, you will live with wild animals. This will require you to eat grass as oxen do. The dew that forms from the air will make your body damp. You will live that way for seven years, until you recognize that the Supreme God rules over human kingdoms. He chooses who will be their kings.*

What was to happen to Nebuchadnezzar until he acknowledged that the Most High rules over the kingdoms of people and gives them to anyone he wishes?

Nebuchadnezzar was to be driven from among men. He would live in the fields with the wild animals and eat grass like an ox and be wet with the dew from the heavens.

How long was it to be before Nebuchadnezzar would acknowledge that the Most High rules over the kingdoms of people and he gives them to anyone he wishes?

Seven years were to pass until Nebuchadnezzar acknowledged that the Most High rules over the kingdoms of people and he gives them to anyone he wishes.

Daniel 4:26

ULT	UST
And that they said to leave the stump of the roots of the tree, your kingdom will be enduring for you from that you know that the heavens are ruler.	*However, the angel said to leave the stump of the tree in the ground with its roots. That means that you will rule your kingdom again when you recognize that God rules over human kingdoms.*

What did leaving the stump of the tree represent?

Leaving the stump represented that Nebuchadnezzar's kingdom would remain for him once he acknowledged that heaven rules.

Daniel 4:27

ULT	UST
Therefore, O king, may my counsel seem good to you, and may you break off your sin in righteousness and your iniquities by showing mercy to the poor, if there may be a prolonging of your prosperity."	*So that this does not happen to you, Your Majesty, please do what I advise. Stop sinning and do what is right. Stop doing oppressive things and help poor people. If you do that, perhaps you will continue to reign comfortably."*

After interpreting the dream for Nebuchadnezzar, what was Daniel's advice for him?

Daniel advised Nebuchadnezzar to stop sinning and to do what was right. He also told Nebuchadnezzar to turn away from his sins by showing mercy to the poor.

Daniel 4:28-29

How long was it before the interpretation of Nebuchadnezzar's dream began to happen?

All these things began to happen twelve months after his dream.

Daniel 4:30

ULT	UST
The king answered and was saying, "Is this not the great Babylon, which I, I have built it for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power and for the glory of my majesty?"	*As he looked out over the city, he said aloud, "This is the great city of Babylon that I have built as the place where I rule! I have built it by my own great power to show people what a glorious king I am!"*

What did Nebuchadnezzar say about himself as he looked at Babylon?

Nebuchadnezzar said that he had built Babylon by his own power and for the glory of his majesty.

Daniel 4:31

ULT	UST
The word was still in the mouth of the king; a voice fell from the heavens: "To you they are saying, O King Nebuchadnezzar, 'The kingdom has passed from you.	*While he was still saying that, someone spoke to him from heaven. He said, "King Nebuchadnezzar, this decree is about you: you are no longer the ruler of this kingdom!*

What happened while Nebuchadnezzar was still speaking?

A voice from heaven said that the kingdom had passed from Nebuchadnezzar.

Daniel 4:32

ULT	UST
And they will be driving you from man, and your dwelling will be with the beast of the field. They will feed you grass like oxen, and seven times will pass over you until that you know that the Most High is ruler over the kingdom of man, and to whom that he wishes, he gives it.'"	*You will no longer live among people. Instead, you will live with wild animals. This will require you to eat grass as oxen do. You will live that way for seven years, until you recognize that the Supreme God rules over human kingdoms. He chooses who will be their kings."*

What did the voice from heaven say would happen to Nebuchadnezzar?

The voice said Nebuchadnezzar would be driven away from people to live with the wild animals and eat grass like an ox until he acknowledged that the Most High rules over the kingdoms of people.

Daniel 4:33

ULT	UST
In that moment, the word finished against Nebuchadnezzar. And he was driven from man, and he ate grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of the heavens until that his hair had become great like eagles and his nails, like birds.	*Immediately what this person had said happened to me, Nebuchadnezzar. I no longer lived among people. Instead, I ate grass as oxen do. The dew that forms from the air made my body damp. I lived like that until my hair became as long as eagles' feathers. My fingernails became like birds' claws.*

What happened to Nebuchadnezzar immediately after the voice spoke?

Nebuchadnezzar was driven away from people, ate grass like oxen, and his hair grew long like eagles' feathers and his nails like birds' claws.

Daniel 4:34

ULT	UST
But at the end of the days, I, Nebuchadnezzar, raised my eyes toward the heavens, and my reason returned to me. And I blessed the Most High, and I praised and glorified the one living forever. For his dominion is a dominion of eternity, and his kingdom is with generation and generation.	*But at the end of those seven years, I, Nebuchadnezzar, prayed to God, and he gave me a human mind again. Then I worshiped the Supreme God, and I praised and honored him, who lives forever. He will rule forever; indeed, he will be the king of every generation of people.*

What happened to Nebuchadnezzar at the end of the seven years?

Nebuchadnezzar's sanity was restored to him.

What did Nebuchadnezzar do after his sanity was restored to him?

Nebuchadnezzar praised and honored the Most High who rules forever.

Daniel 4:35

ULT	UST
And all of the dwellers of the earth are being regarded as nothing, and as he wishes, he is doing among the army of the heavens and the dwellers of the earth. And there is none who strikes his hand or says to him, "What are you doing?"	*Compared with him, all the people in the world are insignificant. He does whatever he wants with the angels in heaven and with us people who live on the earth. No one can stop him from doing what he wants or tell him, "You may not do that."*

What did Nebuchadnezzar say about the Most High's power over the earth and the heavens?

Nebuchadnezzar said that the Most High regards all the people of earth as nothing and does as he wishes among the army of heaven and the people of earth, and no one can stop him or question what he does.

Daniel 4:36

ULT	UST
At that time my reason returned to me, and for the glory of my kingdom, my majesty and my splendor returned to me. And my counselors and my nobles sought me, and my kingdom was established to me, and exceeding greatness was added to me.	*Then I was able to think reasonably again. I became the very powerful ruler of a glorious kingdom once more. My advisors and my nobles treated me respectfully again. Once more I ruled my kingdom firmly, and I became much more powerful than I had been before.*

What happened to Nebuchadnezzar's kingdom?

The kingdom was given back to him.

Daniel 4:37

ULT	UST
Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, am praising and exalting and glorifying the King of the heavens, for all of his deeds are truth and his ways are justice, and those who are walking about in pride, he is able to humble.	*Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, greatly praise and honor God, the king who rules in heaven. Everything that he does is right, and he always treats people fairly. When people become too proud, he is able to humble them.*

What was Nebuchadnezzar's final statement concerning the King of heaven?

Nebuchadnezzar said, "Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and honor the King of heaven, for all his deeds are right and his ways are just. He is able to humble anyone who is proud."

Daniel 5

Daniel 5:1

ULT	UST
King Belshazzar made a great feast for his nobles, a thousand, and he drank wine before the thousand.	*King Belshazzar of Babylon invited a thousand of his officials to a great feast. He drank a lot of wine with them.*

For whom did Belshazzar, the king, make a great feast?

He made a great feast for a thousand of his nobles.

Daniel 5:2

ULT	UST
Belshazzar said in the taste of the wine to bring the vessels of gold and silver that Nebuchadnezzar his father had taken out from the temple that was in Jerusalem so that the king and his nobles, his wives and his concubines might drink from them.	*He became drunk, and he commanded his servants to bring the gold and silver cups that his grandfather, Nebuchadnezzar, had taken from the temple in Jerusalem. He wanted to drink from them with his officials, his wives, and his concubines.*

Who was this Belshazzar?

He was the grandson of Nebuchadnezzar.

Daniel 5:3

ULT	UST
Then they brought the vessels of gold that he had taken out from the temple of the house of God that was in Jerusalem, and the king and his nobles, his wives and his concubines drank from them.	*So his servants brought in the gold cups that Nebuchadnezzar's solders had taken from the temple where God had been present in Jerusalem. Then the king, his officials, his wives, and his concubines drank wine from those cups.*

What containers did they use to drink the wine from at this feast?

They used the gold containers that had been taken out of the temple, the house of God, in Jerusalem.

Daniel 5:4

ULT	UST
They drank wine, and they praised the gods of gold and silver, bronze, iron, wood, and stone.	*They drank toasts to honor their gold, silver, bronze, iron, wood, and stone idols.*

What did the people at the feast do as they drank the wine?

They praised their idols made of gold and silver, bronze, iron, wood, and stone.

Daniel 5:5

ULT	UST
In that moment, the fingers of the hand of a man came out, and they were writing, before the lampstand, on the plaster of the wall of the palace of the king. And the king was seeing the palm of the hand that was writing.	*Suddenly the fingers of a man's hand appeared. They started writing on the plaster of a section of the wall of the royal palace. A lamp was shining on that section, so the king could see the palm of the hand as it was writing.*

As the people were drinking wine and praising their idols, what happened?

The fingers of a human hand appeared in front of the lamp stand and wrote on the plaster wall in the king's palace.

Daniel 5:6

ULT	UST
Then the king, his splendors changed for him, and his thoughts alarmed him. And the joints of his loins were loosened, and his knees knocked, this to this.	*That made him very afraid, and his face turned pale. His knees started shaking, and his legs became so weak that he could not stand up.*

What was the king's immediate response when he saw the hand?

His face turned pale, his thoughts terrified him, and his legs became so weak that his knees were shaking.

Daniel 5:7

ULT	UST
The king called out in strength to bring in the enchanters, the Chaldeans, and the diviners. The king answered and was saying to the wise men of Babylon that, "Any man who reads this writing and shows me its interpretation shall wear purple, and a chain of gold shall be around his neck, and he shall rule as the third in the kingdom."	*He shouted loudly to tell his servants to bring in his magicians, advisors, and fortunetellers. He said, "If any of them can read this writing and tell me what it means, I will give him a purple robe to wear. I will also give him a gold chain to put around his neck. I will also make him the most powerful ruler in my kingdom except for me and the crown prince."*

What did the king promise to the one who could explain the writing on the plaster wall and its meaning?

The king promised that the one who explained the writing and its meaning would be clothed in purple and would have a gold chain put around his neck and that he would have the authority of the third highest ruler in the kingdom.

Daniel 5:8

ULT	UST
Then all of the wise men of the king were coming in, but they were not being able to read the writing or to make the king know the interpretation.	*Then all the wise men whom the king had summoned came in. But none of them could read the writing or tell him what it meant.*

What happened when the king's wise men came in to look at the writing?

They were not able to read the writing or tell the king what it meant.

Daniel 5:9

ULT	UST
Then King Belshazzar was being alarmed greatly, and his splendors were changing upon him, and his nobles were being perplexed.	*This made King Belshazzar even more afraid. His face became even paler. The officials he had invited to the feast did not know what to do.*

What happened to King Belshazzar and his nobles when the wise men could not read the writing?

The king became even more afraid and his face grew pale, and his nobles were confused and did not know what to do.

Daniel 5:10

ULT	UST
The queen came in to the house of the banquet because of the words of the king and his nobles. The queen answered and said, "O king, live to eternities! May your thoughts not alarm you, and may your splendors not be changed.	*The king's mother learned that the king and his nobles were talking about what to do. So she came into the room where they were having the feast. She said to Belshazzar, "Your Majesty, I hope that you will live for a very long time! Please do not let this frighten you and make your face turn pale.*

Who came into the banquet hall because of what the king and his nobles were saying?

The queen came in and told the king not to be afraid and not to let his face turn pale.

Daniel 5:11

ULT	UST
There is a man in your kingdom in whom is the spirit of the holy gods. And in the days of your father, light and understanding and wisdom like the wisdom of the gods were found in him. And King Nebuchadnezzar, your father, your father the king, set him up as chief of the magicians, enchanters, Chaldeans, diviners,	*There is a man in your kingdom who has the spirit of the holy gods in him. When your grandfather Nebuchadnezzar was ruling, they discovered that this man could understand many things. He was very wise, like the gods. Your grandfather King Nebuchadnezzar, who was one of the kings before you, made him the leader of all the different wise men of Babylon.*

According to the queen, what position did King Nebuchadnezzar give to this man?

Nebuchadnezzar made him chief over the magicians, enchanters, Chaldeans, and diviners.

Daniel 5:12

ULT	UST
all before that an excellent spirit and knowledge and understanding, interpreting of dreams and solving of riddles and loosening of knots, were found in him, Daniel, whom the king made his name Belteshazzar. Now let Daniel be called, and he will show the interpretation."	*Nebuchadnezzar did that because he has very good character. He can learn and understand many things. He is able to say what dreams mean. He can solve puzzles and explain things that are very difficult to understand. That man is Daniel. The king gave him a new name, Belteshazzar. If you summon Daniel, he will tell you what this writing means."*

What did the queen tell the king to do?

She told him to call for Daniel, because Daniel would show the king the interpretation of the writing.

Daniel 5:13-14

According to the king what qualities did he say he had heard about Daniel?

The king said he had heard that the spirit of the gods was in Daniel, and that Daniel had light, understanding, and excellent wisdom.

Daniel 5:15

ULT	UST
And now, the wise men, the enchanters, have been brought in before me that they might read this writing and make me know its interpretation, but they are not being able to show the interpretation of the matter.	*I want you to know that I brought in my wise men, such as my enchanters, to read this writing and tell me what it means. But they have not been able to do that.*

What did the king tell Daniel about his wise men?

The king said his wise men had been brought in to read the writing, but they were not able to explain its interpretation.

Daniel 5:16

ULT	UST
But I, I have heard about you, that you are able to interpret interpretations and to loosen knots. And now, if you are able to read the writing and to make me know its interpretation, you shall wear purple and a chain of gold shall be around your neck and you shall rule as the third in the kingdom."	*But then someone told me about you. You are able to say what dreams mean and explain things that are very difficult to understand. If you really can read this writing and tell me what it means, I will give you a purple robe to wear. I will also give you a gold chain to put around your neck. I will also make you the most powerful ruler in my kingdom except for me and the crown prince"*

What did the king promise Daniel if he could read the writing and explain it?

The king promised that Daniel would wear purple, have a gold chain around his neck, and rule as the third ruler in the kingdom.

Daniel 5:17

ULT	UST
Then Daniel answered and was saying before the king, "Let your gifts be for yourself, and give your rewards to another. Nevertheless, I will read the writing to the king and make him know the interpretation.	*Then Daniel replied to the king, "You may keep your gifts or give them to someone else. But I will read this writing for you and tell you what it means.*

What was Daniel's response when he was told of the rewards he would receive for reading the writing and explaining its meaning?

Daniel told the king, "Let your gifts be for yourself, and give your rewards to another person. Nevertheless, I will read the writing to you, king, and will tell you the meaning."

Daniel 5:18

ULT	UST
As for you, O king, the Most High God gave the kingdom and greatness and honor and majesty to Nebuchadnezzar your father.	*Your Majesty, this is why the hand wrote that for you. The Supreme God made Nebuchadnezzar, one of the men who ruled before you, a great king. People honored him and admired him.*

According to Daniel, who gave Nebuchadnezzar the kingdom, greatness, honor, and majesty?

The Most High God gave Nebuchadnezzar the kingdom, greatness, honor, and majesty.

Daniel 5:19

ULT	UST
And from the greatness that he gave to him, all peoples, nations, and languages were trembling and fearing from before him. Whom he was wishing, he was killing, and whom he was wishing, he was letting live. And whom he was wishing, he was lifting up, and whom he was wishing, he was humbling.	*Because God made him such a powerful king, people who came from many different nations and groups and who spoke many different languages were very afraid of him. If he wanted someone to die, he could command his soldiers to execute that person. If he wanted someone to live, he could command his soldiers not to harm that person. If he wanted to give someone an important position, he could do that. If he wanted to make someone unimportant, he could do that too.*

What could Nebuchadnezzar do to anyone he wished, according to Daniel?

He could kill or let live anyone he wished, and he could lift up or humble anyone he wished.

Daniel 5:20

ULT	UST
But because his heart lifted itself up and his spirit became strong to be proud, he was brought down from the throne of his kingdom and they removed his glory from him.	*However, he began to think of himself as very great. He became stubborn, and he acted arrogantly. As a result, God made him no longer the king. He was not glorious anymore.*

Why was Nebuchadnezzar brought down from his kingly throne and why was his majesty taken away from him?

Nebuchadnezzar lost his majesty and his throne because his heart became arrogant and his spirit was hardened so that he acted presumptuously.

Daniel 5:21

ULT	UST
And he was driven from the sons of man, and his heart resembled with an animal, and his dwelling was with the wild donkeys. They fed him grass like oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of the heavens, until that he knew that the Most High God is ruler over the kingdom of man and whom that he wishes, he sets up over it.	*He no longer lived among people. He had a mind like an animal. He lived among wild donkeys. He ate grass as oxen do. The dew that forms from the air made his body damp. He lived that way until he recognized that the Supreme God rules over human kingdoms. He chooses who will be their kings.*

Where did Nebuchadnezzar live after he was driven away from people?

He lived among the wild donkeys and ate grass like oxen until he knew that the Most High God rules over human kingdoms.

Daniel 5:22-23

What were Daniel's charges against Belshazzar?

Daniel said Belshazzar had not humbled his heart, he had lifted himself up against the Lord of the heavens, and he had not honored the God who held his breath in his hand and who knew all his ways.

Daniel 5:24

ULT	UST
Then from before him the palm of a hand was sent, and this writing was inscribed.	*So God sent this hand to write this message to you.*

According to Daniel, what was sent from God and wrote on the wall?

The palm of a hand was sent from God, and it wrote the message on the wall.

Daniel 5:25

ULT	UST
And this is the writing that was inscribed: ‘Mene,’ ‘Mene,’ ‘Tekel,’ and ‘Parsin.’	*The hand wrote these words: ‘Mene,’ ‘Mene,’ ‘Tekel,’ and ‘Parsin.’*

What words were written on the wall?

The words were Mene, Mene, Tekel, and Parsin.

Daniel 5:26-28

What was the meaning of the writing on the plaster wall?

The meaning was as follows: God has numbered Belshazzar’s kingdom and brought it to an end. Belshazzar is weighed in the scales and found deficient. Belshazzar’s kingdom is divided and is given to the Medes and Persians.

Daniel 5:29

ULT	UST
Then Belshazzar spoke, and they clothed Daniel with purple and a chain of gold around his neck, and they made a proclamation about him, that he would be the third ruler in the kingdom.	*Then Belshazzar ordered his servants to put a purple robe on Daniel and a gold chain around his neck. He proclaimed that Daniel would be the most powerful ruler in his kingdom except for him and the crown prince*

What did Belshazzar do for Daniel after Daniel explained the writing?

Belshazzar had Daniel clothed with purple and a gold chain around his neck, and proclaimed him the third ruler in the kingdom.

Daniel 5:30-31

What happened that night after Daniel gave his interpretation of the writing to Belshazzar?

That night Belshazzar, the king of the Chaldeans, was killed, and Darius the Mede received the kingdom.

Daniel 5:31

ULT	UST
and Darius the Mede received the kingdom as a son of 62 years.	*Darius the Mede became the king instead. He was 62 years old.*

How old was Darius the Mede when he received the kingdom?

Darius the Mede was sixty-two years old when he received the kingdom.

Daniel 6

Daniel 6:1-2

Who did Darius appoint over the kingdom?

He appointed 120 satraps, with three sareks over them.

Daniel 6:2

ULT	UST
and above from them three sareks, among whom Daniel was one, to whom these satraps were to be giving account, that the king might not be suffering loss.	*He also appointed three sareks to supervise those satraps. To make sure that none of them cheated the king, those satraps had to give them regular accounts of their work. Daniel was one of the sareks.*

Who was one of the three sareks?

Daniel was one of the three sareks.

Why were the three sareks appointed?

They were appointed to supervise the satraps, so that the king would not suffer any loss.

Daniel 6:3

ULT	UST
Then this Daniel was distinguishing himself above the sareks and the satraps all before that an excellent spirit was in him, and the king was minded to set him up over all of the kingdom.	*Daniel had very good character, so he soon showed that he was more capable than all the satraps and the other sareks. As a result, the king planned to put him in charge of the whole kingdom.*

Who was the king planning to put over the whole kingdom?

The king planned to put Daniel over the whole kingdom.

Daniel 6:4

ULT	UST
Then the sareks and the satraps were seeking to find an occasion against Daniel regarding the kingdom, but they were not being able to find any occasion or corrupted thing, all before that he could be trusted, and any negligence or corrupted thing was not found in him.	*Then the satraps and other sareks tried to find something they could accuse Daniel of doing wrong in his work for the king. But Daniel was very reliable, so he had not done anything negligent or corrupt. So the other royal officials could not find anything they could accuse him of doing wrong.*

Why could the other sareks and satraps find no corruption, mistakes, or negligence in Daniel's work for the kingdom?

They could find nothing against him because Daniel was reliable and trustworthy.

Daniel 6:5

ULT	UST
Then these men were saying that, "We will not find any occasion against this Daniel unless we find something against him regarding the law of his God."	*So they concluded, "The only thing we will find to accuse Daniel about will be something that he has to do to obey his God."*

What was the only area where the other sareks and satraps thought they might find something to accuse Daniel of?

They thought they might find something against Daniel regarding the law of his God.

Daniel 6:6

ULT	UST
Then these sareks and satraps thronged to the king, and thus they were saying to him, "King Darius, live to eternities!	*So the sareks and satraps went together to the king and told him, "King Darius, we hope that you will live for a very long time!*

Who went together to speak with King Darius?

The sareks and satraps went together to speak with King Darius.

Daniel 6:7

ULT	UST
All of the sareks of the kingdom, the prefects and the satraps, the counselors and the governors, have consulted together that the king should establish a statute and make strong a decree that anyone who petitions a petition from any god or man for 30 days, except from you, O king, shall be thrown into a den of lions.	*All of your sareks, rulers satraps, counselors, and governors have agreed that you should make a law and enforce it strictly. Your Majesty, the law would be that for the next 30 days, no one may ask any god or man except you for anything. If anyone does that, your servants will throw him into a pit full of lions.*

What did the satraps and the other sareks advise King Darius to do?

They advised Darius to issue a decree that whoever made a petition to any god or man except King Darius for thirty days would be thrown into a den of lions.

Daniel 6:8

ULT	UST
Now, O king, set up the decree and sign the writing so that one shall not change it, according to the law of the Mede and the Persian, which does not pass away."	*So, Your Majesty, please make this law. Have one of your scribes write it out, and then sign it. No one will then be able to change it, because the laws of the Medes and Persians are permanent."*

What did the sareks and satraps ask King Darius to do?

They asked him to set up the decree and sign it, so that no one could change it, according to the law of the Medes and Persians.

Daniel 6:9

ULT	UST
All before this, King Darius signed the writing and the decree.	*So King Darius made the law, and when one of his scribes wrote it out, he signed it.*

What did King Darius do with the decree?

King Darius signed the decree.

Daniel 6:10

ULT	UST
And Daniel, when that he knew that the writing had been signed, went in to his house (now the windows to him in his upper chamber were opened toward Jerusalem), and three times in a day he was kneeling on his knees and praying and thanking before his God, all before that he was doing from before this.	*When Daniel learned that the king had made that law and signed it, he went home. He went to his upstairs room and opened the windows so that he could look toward Jerusalem. He knelt down and prayed and gave thanks to God. He did that three times each day, just as he had done before.*

What did Daniel do after he learned that the decree had been issued and the document signed into law?

Daniel went into his house, got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to God as he had done many times before.

Daniel 6:11

ULT	UST
Then these men thronged and found Daniel petitioning and entreating before his God.	*Then the royal officials came to his house together, and they saw that he was praying to God and asking him to help him.*

What did the men find Daniel doing?

They found Daniel praying and asking for help from his God.

Daniel 6:12

ULT	UST
Then they approached and were saying before the king about the decree of the king: "Did you not sign a decree that any man who petitions from any god or man for thirty days, except from you, O king, shall be thrown into a den of lions?" The king answered and was saying, "The matter is certain, according to the law of the Mede and the Persian, which does not pass away."	*So they went back to the king and talked with him about the law he had made. They said, "Your Majesty, you signed a law that for the next 30 days, no one may ask any god or man except you for anything. The law said that if anyone did that, your servants would throw him into a pit full of lions." The king replied, "Yes, I made that law. And the laws of the Medes and Persians are permanent."*

What did the king say when the men asked him about the decree?

The king said that the decree was certain, according to the law of the Medes and Persians, which cannot be changed.

Daniel 6:13

ULT	UST
Then they answered and were saying before the king that, "Daniel, who is from the sons of the captivity of Judah, does not set regard on you, O king, or on the decree that you have signed, but three times in a day he is petitioning his petition."	*Then they told the king, "Your Majesty, that man Daniel, who is one of the Judeans whom our soldiers brought here as prisoners, is disregarding you. He is not obeying the law that you signed. He is still praying to his God three times each day!"*

What did the men who plotted against Daniel do when they saw Daniel make requests and seek help from God?

Those men went to the king and told him that Daniel paid no attention to the king or his decree and that Daniel prayed to God three times a day.

Daniel 6:14

ULT	UST
Then the king, when that he heard the matter, it was greatly displeasing to him, and he set his heart on Daniel to deliver him. And until the setting of the sun, he was exerting himself to rescue him.	*When the king heard that, it distressed him greatly. He determined to save Daniel. For the rest of that day, he tried hard to find a way to rescue him.*

What did the king do when he heard Daniel had disobeyed the king's decree?

The king became very distressed, and he tried hard to find a way to save Daniel.

Daniel 6:15

ULT	UST
Then these men thronged to the king and were saying to the king, "Know, O king, that it is a law to the Mede and the Persian that any decree or statute that the king establishes, one shall not change."	*But in the evening, those royal officials went back to the king together and told him, "Your Majesty, you know what our Median and Persian laws require. If the king makes any rule or law, no one can change it."*

What did the men remind the king about the law of the Medes and Persians?

They reminded him that any decree or law the king makes cannot be changed.

Daniel 6:16

ULT	UST
Then the king was speaking, and they brought Daniel and threw him into a den of lions. The king answered and was saying to Daniel, "Your God, whom you are serving him in continuance, he, may he deliver you."	*So the king gave a command, and his servants brought Daniel to him. The king told him, "I hope that your God, whom you obey so faithfully, will rescue you!" Then the servants threw Daniel into a pit full of lions.*

What did the king say to Daniel before he was thrown into the den of lions?

The king said, 'May your God, whom you serve continually, deliver you.'

Daniel 6:17-18

After Daniel was thrown into the lion's den, what did the king do?

The king sealed the entrance to the den with his own signet ring. He then went to the palace and fasted through the night and did not sleep.

Daniel 6:19

ULT	UST
Then the king arose at first light, at dawn, and went in haste to the den of lions.	*As soon as it became light the next morning, the king got up and went quickly to the pit of lions.*

What did the king do at dawn?

The king got up at dawn and went quickly to the den of lions.

Daniel 6:20

ULT	UST
And as he came near to the den, to Daniel, he cried out in a pained voice. The king answered and was saying to Daniel, "Daniel, servant of the living God, has your God, whom you are serving him in continuance, been able to deliver you from the lions?"	*As he arrived at the pit where Daniel was, he cried out in distress. He said, "Daniel, the God whom you worship is really alive! Has your God, whom you obey so faithfully, been able to save you from the lions?"*

The next day after Daniel was thrown into the lions den, when the king went to the den, what did he ask Daniel?

The king asked Daniel if the God whom Daniel served continually had been able to save him from the lions.

Daniel 6:21-22

How did Daniel answer the king?

Daniel said to the king, “King, live forever! My God sent his angel and shut the lions’ mouths, and they have not harmed me, because I was found innocent before him, and I have also done no wrong to you, O king.”

Daniel 6:23

ULT	UST
Then the king rejoiced greatly about him, and he said to bring Daniel up from the den. And Daniel was brought up from the den, and any harm was not found in him, because he had trusted in his God.	*This made the king very happy. He commanded his servants to lift Daniel up out of the pit. When they did that, they saw that the lions had not wounded him at all. Daniel had trusted God, and so God had protected him.*

What did the king command after he saw that Daniel was alive?

The king rejoiced and commanded his servants to bring Daniel up out of the den.

Daniel 6:24

ULT	UST
And the king spoke, and they brought those men who had eaten the pieces of Daniel, and they threw them, their sons, and their wives into the den of lions. And they had not reached the bottom of the den before that the lions overpowered them and crushed all of their bones.	*Then the king commanded his soldiers to arrest the men who had said bad things about Daniel. They threw them into the pit where the lions were. They also threw in their wives and children. While they were still tumbling toward the bottom of the pit, the lions leaped on them and tore them apart.*

What did the king command be done to the men who had accused Daniel?

The king commanded that the men who had accused Daniel, along with their wives and children, be thrown into the den of lions.

Daniel 6:25

ULT	UST
Then King Darius wrote to all of the peoples, nations, and languages that were dwelling in all of the earth, "May your peace abound.	*Then King Darius sent a letter to the people who lived in his empire. They were from many different nations and groups, and they spoke many different languages. He wrote, "I hope that all is well with you.*

Who did King Darius write to?

He wrote to all the peoples, nations, and languages living in all the earth.

Daniel 6:26-27

What did Darius say concerning God in his decree about the God of Daniel?

Darius said that the God of Daniel is the living God who will endure forever and whose kingdom will never be destroyed. God rescues and saves people and does signs and wonders in heaven and on earth; he rescued Daniel from the lions.

Daniel 6:28

ULT	UST
And this Daniel prospered in the reign of Darius and in the reign of Cyrus the Persian.	*After this, Daniel was successful for the rest of the time that Darius was king. He was also successful during the time when Cyrus the Persian was king.*

During whose reign did Daniel prosper?

Daniel prospered during the reign of Darius and during the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

Daniel 7

Daniel 7:1

ULT	UST
In the year of one to Belshazzar, the king of Babylon, Daniel saw a dream and visions of his head upon his bed. Then he wrote the dream; he told the head of the matters.	*During the first year that Belshazzar was the king of Babylon, Daniel saw things in a dream one night as he was lying on his bed. The next morning, he wrote down the main points of what he had dreamed.*

When did Daniel have a dream and visions in his mind?

Daniel had a dream and visions while lying on his bed during the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon.

Daniel 7:2

ULT	UST
Daniel answered and was saying, "I was looking in my vision by night, and behold, the four winds of the heavens were stirring up the Great Sea.	*Daniel wrote, "This is what I saw in the dream I had last night. Strong winds were blowing from four directions and making big waves in the Great Sea.*

In Daniel's vision, what was stirring up the Great Sea?

The four winds of the heavens were stirring up the Great Sea.

Daniel 7:3

ULT	UST
And four great beasts were coming up from the sea, this being different from this.	*I saw four great beasts coming up out of the water. Each one was different from the others.*

What came up out of the sea?

Four large beasts, each different from the others, came up out of the sea.

Daniel 7:4

ULT	UST
The first was like a lion, but the wings of an eagle were to it. I was looking until that its wings were pulled off, and it was raised from the ground, and on two feet it was stood like a man, and the heart of a man was given to it.	*The first beast looked a lion. However, it had wings like an eagle's wings. But as I watched, someone tore off its wings. Then this beast reared up and stood on two legs, as people do. It also became able to think as people do.*

What was given to the beast that was like a lion?

The mind of a man was given to it.

Daniel 7:5

ULT	UST
And behold, another beast, a second, resembling a bear. And on one side, it was raised up. And three ribs were in its mouth between its teeth, and thus they were saying to it, 'Arise, devour much flesh.'	*The second beast that I saw looked like a bear. One of its sides was higher than the other. It was holding three ribs in its mouth with its teeth. Someone told it, 'Go and eat as much meat as you want!'*

What was the bear-like beast told to do?

It was told to get up and eat as much meat as it wanted.

Daniel 7:6

ULT	UST
After this I was looking, and behold, another, like a leopard, and to it were the four wings of a bird upon its back. And four heads were to the beast, and dominion was given to it.	*The next beast that I saw looked like a leopard, but it had four wings like bird's wings on its back. It had four heads. It received authority to rule many people.*

What was the leopard-like beast given?

It was given authority to rule.

Daniel 7:7

ULT	UST
After this I was looking in visions of the night, and behold, a fourth beast, making afraid and terrible and exceedingly strong. And great teeth of iron were to it. It devoured and crushed, and it was trampling the rest with its feet. And it was being different from all of the beasts that were before it, and ten horns (were) to it.	*The next thing I saw in my dream last night was a fourth beast. It was very powerful and very terrifying. It had huge iron teeth. It killed the other beasts and devoured them, and then it trampled on their carcasses. It was different from the other three beasts. It had ten horns on its head.*

What did the fourth beast do?

The fourth beast devoured, crushed, and trampled what was left with its feet.

Daniel 7:8

ULT	UST
I was considering the horns, and behold, another horn, little, was coming up among them, and three of the first horns were uprooted from before it. And behold, eyes like the eyes of a man were in this horn, and a mouth speaking great things.	*I was looking at those horns, and I saw a little horn grow up in the middle of them. It tore out three of the other horns. I saw that this little horn had eyes that were like humans eyes. It also had a mouth, and it was speaking very boastfully.*

What did Daniel see happen to the fourth beast as he considered its horns?

Daniel saw another little horn grow up among the other ten horns. Three of the first horns were torn out. Daniel saw that the little horn had eyes like a man and a mouth that boasted about great things.

Daniel 7:9

ULT	UST
I was looking until that thrones were set, and the Ancient of Days sat down. His clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head was like pure wool. His throne was flames of fire; its wheels were burning fire.	*Then, as I watched, some beings brought in some thrones. God, who has always existed, sat on one of the thrones. His clothes were as white as snow, and his hair was as white as pure wool. His throne was like a chariot; it was blazing with fire, and its wheels were also blazing with fire.*

Who sat on one of the thrones that was set up?

The Ancient of Days sat upon one of the thrones.

Daniel 7:10

ULT	UST
A river of fire was flowing and coming out from before him; a thousand of thousands served him, and a myriad of myriads stood before him. The court sat, and books were opened.	*A stream of fire was rushing out in front of him. Many thousands of people were there serving him, and millions of other people were standing in front of him ready to serve him. Judges began a court session, and they opened books that recorded what people had done.*

What business was being conducted by the Ancient of Days?

The court was in session and the books were opened.

Daniel 7:11-12

What happened to the four beasts?

The beast with the horn that spoke boastful words was killed, its body destroyed, and it was given over to be burned up. The other three beasts had their authority to rule taken away, but their lives were allowed to continue for a time.

Daniel 7:13

ULT	UST
I was looking in visions of the night, and behold, with the clouds of the heavens one like a son of man was coming, and he reached to the Ancient of Days, and they brought him near before him.	*The next thing I saw in my dream last night was someone who resembled a human being. He was riding on the clouds in the sky. He got to where God was, the one who has always existed, and God's servants brought him to his throne.*

In Daniel's vision, who was presented to the Ancient of Days?

One who came with the clouds of heaven like a son of man was presented to the Ancient of Days.

Daniel 7:14

ULT	UST
And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is a dominion of eternity that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will not be destroyed.	*God honored him and gave him the authority to rule as king. People from every nation and group and who speak every language will obey him. He will rule forever; he will never stop ruling. No one will ever destroy the kingdom that he rules.*

What was given to this one who was "like a son of man"?

Everlasting authority to rule, glory, and a kingdom that will never be destroyed were given to this one who was "like a son of man."

Daniel 7:15

ULT	UST
My spirit was distressed, I, Daniel, in the midst of the body, and the visions of my head were alarming me.	*As for me, Daniel, what I saw in my dream scared me. I felt very upset inside.*

How did Daniel feel because of his vision?

Daniel felt very troubled and alarmed because of what he saw.

Daniel 7:16

ULT	UST
I approached to one of the ones standing, and I sought from him the truth about all of this. And he told me, and he made me know the interpretation of the matters.	*I went up to one of those who were standing in front of God's throne. I asked him to tell me what all of this meant. So he told me what the things in my dream meant so that I could understand them.*

What did Daniel do to understand his vision?

Daniel went to one of those standing there and asked him what it all meant, and that one explained the interpretation to him.

Daniel 7:17

ULT	UST
'These great beasts, which are four, are four kings arising from the earth.	*He said, "The four great beasts represent four kingdoms that will become powerful in the world.*

What was Daniel told the four beasts represented in his vision?

Daniel was told that the four beasts were four kings that would arise from the earth.

Daniel 7:18

ULT	UST
But the saints of the Most High will receive the kingdom, and they will possess the kingdom to eternity and to eternity of eternities.'	*But the Supreme God will give power to his people to rule, and they will rule forever and ever."*

Who will receive the kingdom and possess it forever?

The saints of the Most High will receive the kingdom and possess it forever and ever.

Daniel 7:19

ULT	UST
Then I wished to be certain about the fourth beast, which was being different from all of them, making afraid exceedingly, its teeth of iron and its claws of bronze, devouring, crushing, and trampling the rest with its feet,	*Then I wanted to know exactly what the fourth beast represented. That beast was different from the other three beasts. It was very terrifying. It had iron teeth and bronze claws. It killed the other beasts and devoured them, and then it trampled on their carcasses.*

What did Daniel want to know more about?

Daniel wanted to know more about the fourth beast, which was different from all the others, very terrifying, with iron teeth and bronze claws, and which devoured, crushed, and trampled with its feet.

Daniel 7:20

ULT	UST
and about the ten horns that were on its head and the other that came up and three fell from before it, even that horn that eyes were to it and a mouth speaking great things and its appearance was greater than its fellows.	*I also wanted to know about the ten horns on its head and the little horn that grew up in the middle of them. It tore out three of the other horns. It had human eyes and a mouth. It spoke very boastfully, and it looked more powerful than the other horns.*

What did Daniel want to know about the horns on the fourth beast's head?

Daniel wanted to know about the ten horns and about the little horn that came up and caused three horns to fall, the horn that had eyes and a boastful mouth and looked greater than the others.

Daniel 7:21

ULT	UST
I was looking, and this horn was making war with the saints, and it was prevailing against them,	*In my dream, I saw this horn attack God's people. It was defeating them,*

What did Daniel see the little horn doing to the saints?

Daniel saw the horn making war against the saints and defeating them.

Daniel 7:22

ULT	UST
until that the Ancient of Days came, and judgment was given for the saints of the Most High. And the time came, and the saints possessed the kingdom.	*but then God, who has always existed, came and decided in favor of the people who belonged to him, the Supreme God. Then it was time for them to receive authority to rule.*

What happened when the Ancient of Days came?

The Ancient of Days came, judgment was given in favor of the saints of the Most High, and the time came for the saints to possess the kingdom.

Daniel 7:23

ULT	UST
Thus he was saying, 'The fourth beast will be a fourth kingdom on the earth, which will be different from all of the kingdoms. And it will devour all of the earth, and it will trample it and crush it.	*The one I was speaking with told me, "The fourth beast represents a fourth empire that will become powerful in the world. That empire will be different from the other empires that were before it. Its army will conquer other kingdoms throughout the world. It will defeat them badly and destroy them.*

When Daniel asked one standing there about the fourth beast, what did that one say the fourth beast was and would do to the earth?

That one said the fourth beast was a fourth kingdom and that it would devour the whole earth, trample it down, and crush it.

Daniel 7:24

ULT	UST
And the ten horns, from this kingdom, ten kings will arise, and another will arise after them. And he will be different from the first ones, and he will humble three kings.	*The ten horns of this beast represent ten kings who will rule that empire. Another king will succeed them. He will be different from the previous kings, and he will conquer three other kings.*

What did the one standing there say about the ten horns?

That one standing there said that ten kings would arise out of the fourth kingdom.

Daniel 7:25-26

What will the one who speaks against the Most High do, and what will be his end?

He will oppress the holy people of the Most High. He will try to change the festivals and the law. He will have power over the saints for a time, times, and half a time, but his authority will be taken away and completely destroyed at the end.

Daniel 7:27

ULT	UST
and the kingdom and the dominion and the greatness of the kingdoms under all of the heavens will be given to the people of the saints of the Most High. His kingdom will be a kingdom of eternity, and all dominions will serve and make themselves hear him.'	*Then the people who belong to the Supreme God will receive great honor and the power to rule every kingdom in the world. The kingdom of the Supreme God will last forever. All earthly rulers will be his subjects."*

To whom will the kingdom and dominion under the whole heaven be given?

It will be given to the people who belong to the Most High.

Daniel 7:28

ULT	UST
To here is the end of the matter. I, Daniel, my thoughts were alarming me greatly, and my splendors changed upon me. But I kept the matter in my heart."	*That is what I saw in my dream. As I, Daniel, thought about these things, they really scared me. My face became pale. But I did not tell anyone about the dream I had."*

What was Daniel's response to this vision?

Daniel was greatly alarmed and his face changed in appearance, but he kept the vision to himself.

Daniel 8

Daniel 8:1

ULT	UST
In the year of three to the reign of King Belshazzar, a vision appeared to me, me, Daniel, after the one having appeared to me at the first.	*During the third year that Belshazzar was the king of Babylon, I, Daniel, had a vision, after the one that I had earlier.*

When did Daniel have his second vision?

Daniel had his second vision in the third year of the reign of King Belshazzar.

Daniel 8:2

ULT	UST
And I saw in the vision, and it was as I saw, that I was in Susa the citadel, which is in Elam the province. And I saw in the vision that I was by the canal of Ulai.	*In that vision, I saw that I was in Susa, the capital city of the province of Elam. I saw that I was standing alongside the Ulai Canal.*

Where was Daniel in his vision?

Daniel was in the fortified city of Susa in the province of Elam beside the Ulai Canal.

Daniel 8:3

ULT	UST
And I lifted up my eyes and saw, and behold, a ram standing to the face of the canal. And to it were two horns, and the two horns were high, but the one was higher than the second, and the higher came up afterward.	*I looked up and saw a ram standing alongside the canal. It had two long horns. One of the horns was longer than the other. The ram had grown the longer horn after the shorter one.*

What were the two animals Daniel saw in this vision?

Daniel saw a ram and a male goat in this vision.

What were the ram’s two horns like?

One of the ram’s horns was longer than the other, but the horn that grew later eventually became the longer one.

Daniel 8:4

ULT	UST
I saw the ram goring westward and northward and southward, and all of the beasts did not stand to its face, and there was none delivering from its hand. And it did according to its will, and it became great.	*I saw the ram butting away the animals that were around it in all directions. No other animal could resist it, and none could rescue other animals from it. The ram did whatever it wanted to do, and it became very powerful.*

How powerful was the ram?

No animal could stand before the ram. None could be rescued from the ram's hand. It did whatever it wanted, and it became great.

Daniel 8:5

ULT	UST
And I, I was observing, and behold, a male of the goats was coming from the west over the face of all of the earth but without touching the earth. And the male goat, a horn of vision was between its eyes.	*I kept looking, and the next thing I saw was a goat coming from the west. It ran across the whole world so quickly that its feed seemed not to touch the ground. This goat had one very large horn in the middle of its forehead.*

What kind of horns did the goat have?

The goat had only one large horn between its eyes.

Daniel 8:6

ULT	UST
And it came to the ram, the master of two horns, which I had seen standing to the face of the canal, and it ran at it in the heat of its power.	*It came to the ram that I had seen standing alongside the canal, the ram that had two horns. It was very angry, and it ran straight at the ram.*

How did the goat approach the ram?

The goat ran at the ram in great anger.

Daniel 8:7

ULT	UST
And I saw it arriving beside the ram, and it was embittered at it, and it struck the ram and shattered the two of its horns. And the ram was not strong to stand to its face. And it cast it to the earth and trampled it, and none was delivering the ram from its hand.	*I saw that when the goat got to the ram, it struck it furiously. That broke off the ram's two horns, and so the ram was not able to defend itself. The goat knocked the ram down and trampled on it. No one could rescue the ram from the goat.*

What did the goat do to the ram?

The goat struck the ram, broke off its two horns, knocked it down to the ground, and trampled on it.

Daniel 8:8

ULT	UST
Then the male of the goats became great unto much. But when it was mighty, the great horn was broken, and in its place four horns of vision came up toward the four winds of the heavens.	*The goat became very powerful. But when its power was very great, its large horn broke off. Four other large horns grew in its place. They pointed to the north, south, east, and west.*

When the large horn of the goat was broken off, what grew in its place?

Four other large horns, pointing north, south, east, and west, grew up in place of the one that was broken off.

Daniel 8:9

ULT	UST
And from one of them a little horn came forth, and it became great exceedingly toward the south and toward the east and toward the Beauty.	*A little horn grew from one of those horns. It became very large. It pointed toward the south and then toward the east and then toward the beautiful land of Israel.*

What happened to one of the goat's four horns?

Out of one of the horns grew another horn, small at first, but it became very large toward the south, the east, and the beautiful land of Israel.

Daniel 8:10

ULT	UST
And it became great to the army of the heavens. And it made fall to the earth some of the army and some of the stars, and it trampled them.	*That horn became so strong that it even attacked the angels in heaven. It threw some of the angels and some of the stars from the sky onto the earth, and it trampled on them.*

What did this horn do when it became large?

It grew strong enough to attack heaven's army, throwing some of the army and some of the stars down to the earth and trampling on them.

Daniel 8:11

ULT	UST
And it became great to the commander of the army. And the perpetual sacrifice was removed from him, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.	*The horn wanted people to worship it instead of Yahweh, the commander of the heavenly army. It prevented his priests from offering the regular sacrifices to him each morning and evening. It also ruined his temple.*

What did this horn do to the commander of heaven's army and his sanctuary?

It stopped the daily sacrifices to Yahweh, the commander of heaven's army, and it ruined his sanctuary.

Daniel 8:12

ULT	UST
And because of transgression, an army will be given over with the perpetual sacrifice, and it will cast truth to the ground. And it will do and succeed.	*Many Israelites disobeyed Yahweh and instead obeyed the horn, who had stopped the priests from offering sacrifices to Yahweh each morning and evening. The horn prevented people from worshiping Yahweh truly. It succeeded in doing what it wanted to do.*

Why will the army be given over to the goat's horn and the burnt offering stopped?

This will happen because of rebellion.

Daniel 8:13

ULT	UST
And I heard a holy one speaking, and a holy one said to the particular one speaking, "Until when is the vision of the perpetual sacrifice and the desolating transgression, the giving of both the sanctuary and the army for trampling?"	*Then I heard an angel saying something. Another angel asked the one who was talking, "This vision shows that someone will prevent the priests from sacrificing to Yahweh. It shows that many of the Israelites will disobey Yahweh and that this will allow someone to ruin his temple and harm his people. How long will these things continue?"*

What did Daniel hear one holy one ask another?

He heard one ask how long the vision about the sacrifices being stopped, the sin, and the trampling of the sanctuary and the army would last.

Daniel 8:14

ULT	UST
And he said to me, "Until evening, morning, 2, 300. Then the sanctuary will be made right."	*The other angel replied, "They will continue for a total of 2, 300 evenings and mornings, or 1, 150 days. After that, the temple will become a holy place again."*

How long will these things last, this vision about the burnt offering, the sin that brings destruction, the handing over of the sanctuary, and heaven's army being trampled on?

It will last for 2,300 evenings and mornings.

Daniel 8:15

ULT	UST
And it was when I had seen the vision, I, Daniel, that I sought understanding. And behold, one standing to my face according to the appearance of a man.	*After I, Daniel, had seen this vision, I was trying to understand what it meant. Suddenly someone in the form of a human being appeared in front of me.*

What did Daniel do after he saw the vision?

He tried to understand it, and then someone who looked like a man appeared in front of him.

Daniel 8:16

ULT	UST
And I heard the voice of a man between the Ulai, and he called and said, "Gabriel, make this one understand the appearance."	*Then I heard someone calling out from the middle of the Ulai Canal. His voice sounded human. He said, "Gabriel, explain to him what his vision means."*

Who was told to help Daniel understand the vision?

Gabriel was told to help Daniel understand the vision.

Daniel 8:17

ULT	UST
And he came beside my standing. And when he came, I was frightened, and fell on my face. But he said to me, "Understand, son of man, that the vision is for the time of the end."	*So Gabriel came and stood next to me. This made me so afraid that I fell onto the ground. But he told me, "You mortal, understand that your vision shows something that will happen when the world is about to end."*

What happened when the angel came near Daniel?

Daniel was frightened and fell facedown on the ground. But the angel told him to understand that the vision was about the time of the end.

Daniel 8:18

ULT	UST
And when he was speaking with me, I fell deeply asleep with my face to the ground. But he touched me and made me stand on my standing.	*As he was speaking to me, I fainted. I was unconscious on the ground, but Gabriel took hold of me and picked me up so I was standing again.*

What happened to Daniel while the angel was speaking with him?

Daniel fell into a deep sleep with his face to the ground, but the angel touched him and made him stand up again.

Daniel 8:19

ULT	UST
And he said, "Behold me, making you know what will happen at the end of the indignation, for it is for the appointed time of the end.	*Then he said, "I have come to tell you what will happen as God finishes punishing people. He has determined to do that at the end of the world, and your vision shows this.*

For when was the vision? What time did it concern?

The vision was for the time of wrath. It concerned the fixed time for the end.

Daniel 8:20-21

What did the ram with two horns and the male goat represent in Daniel's vision?

The ram with the two horns represents the kings of Media and Persia. The male goat is the king of Greece.

Daniel 8:22

ULT	UST
And as for the broken one and the four that arose in its place, four kingdoms will stand from that nation, but not with its power.	*The four horns that grew after the first horn broke off represent four kingdoms into which his kingdom will divide. None of them will be as strong as the original kingdom was.*

What did the four horns represent, the horns that came in place of the horn that was broken off?

The four horns represent four kingdoms that will arise from the nation represented by the horn that was broken off.

Daniel 8:23

ULT	UST
And at the end of their rule, when transgressors are complete, a king will stand, strong of face and understanding riddles.	*The people in those kingdoms will become very wicked. Near the time when those kingdoms will end, one of them will have a king who defeats his enemies in battle. That king will also be very deceitful.*

What kind of king will arise at the end of those kingdoms' rule?

A fierce king will arise who defeats his enemies in battle and who is very deceitful.

Daniel 8:24-25

What will this intelligent, grim-faced king do?

He will cause widespread destruction and succeed in whatever he does. He will destroy powerful people, people who are holy. He will make deceit prosper under his hand. He will rise up against God, who rules over all earthly kings.

Daniel 8:25

ULT	UST
And by his cunning, he will also make deceit succeed under his hand. And in his heart, he will make himself great, and he will destroy many in security. And he will stand against the Prince of princes, but he will be broken by no hand.	*Because he will be so treacherous, he will achieve what he wants by deceiving people. He will be very proud of himself. He will make people think that they are safe, but he will then destroy many of them. He will even try to oppose God, who rules over all earthly kings. But God, not a human being, will destroy him.*

What will finally happen to the intelligent, grim-faced king?

He will be broken, but not by human power.

Daniel 8:26

ULT	UST
And the appearance of the evening and the morning that was told, it is true. But you, close up the vision, for it is for many days."	*Your vision showed how this king will prevent Yahweh's priests from sacrificing to him each morning and evening. That will happen. But for now, do not tell others what you saw, because those things will not happen until many years from now."*

What did the angel tell Daniel to do with the vision?

He told Daniel that the vision was true, but that Daniel should keep it secret because it would not happen for a long time.

Daniel 8:27

ULT	UST
Then I, Daniel, was finished, and I was sickened for days. Then I arose and did the business of the king. But I was desolate at the vision and not understanding.	*Then I, Daniel, had no strength left. I was sick for several days. After that, I got up and went back to work for the king. But I did not understand the vision, and that disturbed me.*

How did this vision affect Daniel?

Daniel was overcome and lay weak for several days, and he was appalled by the vision.

Daniel 9

Daniel 9:1

ULT	UST
In the year of one to Darius, the son of Ahasuerus, from the seed of Madai, who had been made king over the kingdom of the Chaldeans,	*Darius son of Ahasuerus, who was a Mede, became the next ruler of the Chaldean kingdom.*

Who was made king over the kingdom of the Chaldeans?

Darius, the son of Ahasuerus, who was a Mede, was made king over the kingdom of the Chaldeans.

Daniel 9:2

ULT	UST
in the year of one to his reigning, I, Daniel, perceived in the scrolls the number of years that was the word of Yahweh to Jeremiah the prophet for the filling of the desolations of Jerusalem, seventy years.	*During the first year that Darius was the king, I, Daniel, was studying our holy books. I saw that Yahweh had told the prophet Jeremiah how long Jerusalem would be in a bad condition. It would be for seventy years.*

What did Daniel observe by studying Yahweh's word to Jeremiah the prophet?

He observed that Jerusalem would be desolate for seventy years.

Daniel 9:3

ULT	UST
And I set my face to the Lord God, to seek him by prayer and supplications with fasting and sackcloth and ashes.	*After I read that, I resolved to ask the Lord God to help us. I prayed to him very earnestly. To show how sorry I was for our sins, I ate little food, I wore rough cloth, and I put ashes on my head.*

How did Daniel seek the Lord God?

Daniel sought the Lord God with prayer and requests, with fasting, wearing sackcloth, and sitting in ashes.

Daniel 9:4

ULT	UST
And I prayed to Yahweh my God, and I confessed and said, "Oh Lord, the great and feared God, the one keeping covenant and covenant faithfulness to the ones loving him and to the keepers of his commandments,	*As I prayed to Yahweh my God, I admitted that we Israelites had sinned. I said, "Oh Lord, you are the powerful God whom everyone should respect! You keep your promises and you faithfully love people who love you and obey your laws.*

What was the first thing Daniel did when he went to the Lord God in prayer?

Daniel confessed the sins of the Israelites.

Daniel 9:5

ULT	UST
we have sinned and committed iniquity and acted wickedly and rebelled, turning away from your commandments and your judgments.	*But we Israelites have sinned against you. We have done things that are wrong. We have done wicked things and rebelled against you. We have disobeyed many of your laws.*

What did Daniel say the Israelites had done against the Lord?

Daniel said they had sinned, done wrong, acted wickedly, rebelled, and turned away from the Lord's commandments and judgments.

Daniel 9:6

ULT	UST
And we have not listened to your servants the prophets, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all of the people of the land.	*You sent prophets to bring messages from you to our kings, our other rulers, and our ancestors. They spoke those messages to all the Israelite people. But we did not obey what they told us to do.*

To whom did the prophets speak in the name of God?

The prophets spoke to the kings, the leaders, the ancestors, and to all the people of the land.

Daniel 9:7

ULT	UST
To you, Lord, is righteousness, but to us is shame of faces as this day, to a man of Judah and to the dwellers of Jerusalem and to all of Israel, the near and the far in all of the lands where you have driven them there for their transgression that they transgressed against you.	*Lord, you were right to punish us for sinning so seriously against you. But as a result, we are now in a shameful condition. This is true of the Israelites who still live in Jerusalem and other places in Judea. It is also true of the Israelites whose enemies you allowed to take away to other countries. Some of those countries are near Israel, and others are farther away.*

Who did Daniel say was in a shameful condition because of their sins?

Daniel said the people of Judah, the people of Jerusalem, and all of Israel, both near and far, were in a shameful condition because they had sinned against the Lord.

Daniel 9:8

ULT	UST
Yahweh, to us is shame of faces, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against you.	*Yahweh, we have sinned against you, and so we and our kings, our other rulers, and our ancestors are in a shameful condition.*

Why were the Israelites in a shameful condition?

They were in a shameful condition because they had sinned against Yahweh.

Daniel 9:9

ULT	UST
To the Lord our God, may there be compassion and forgiveness, for we have rebelled against him,	*I ask you, our Lord and God, to forgive us and treat us kindly, even though we have rebelled against you.*

What did Daniel ask the Lord to give, even though the Israelites had rebelled against him?

Daniel asked the Lord to give compassion and forgiveness.

Daniel 9:10

ULT	UST
and we have not listened to the voice of Yahweh our God, to walk in his laws that he gave to our faces by the hand of his servants the prophets.	*You sent your prophets to speak to us directly and tell us to obey your laws. But we did not obey what you, our God, said to us through them.*

What did Daniel say the Israelites had not done, even though Yahweh gave them his laws through the prophets?

Daniel said the Israelites had not listened to Yahweh's voice or obeyed his laws.

Daniel 9:11

ULT	UST
And all of Israel has transgressed your law and has turned away, not listening to your voice. And the oath has been poured out on us, and the curse, that is written in the law of Moses, the servant of God, because we have sinned against him.	*All of us Israelite people have failed to do what your law requires and have done other things instead. We have not obeyed what you told us to do. We have sinned against you, and as a result, you have made very bad things happen to us. You swore that you would do that if we sinned so badly. Your servant Moses wrote this in the law.*

What had been poured out on Israel because of their sin?

The curse and oath that are written in the law of Moses, the servant of God, had been poured out on them.

Daniel 9:12

ULT	UST
And he has made stand his word that he spoke against us and against our judges who judged us, to bring great trouble upon us that has not been done under all of the heavens like what has been done to Jerusalem.	*You said that these things would happen to us and our rulers, and you have done just what you said. You made a great disaster happen to us. No other city in the world has experienced something like what has happened to Jerusalem.*

How did Yahweh confirm the words he spoke against Israel and their rulers?

Yahweh confirmed his words by bringing on Israel and their rulers a great disaster.

Daniel 9:13

ULT	UST
Like what is written in the law of Moses, all of this trouble has come upon us, but we have not entreated the face of Yahweh our God, to return from our iniquities and pay attention to your truth.	*You have made this great disaster happen to us just as Moses wrote in the law. Even so, we have not tried to make you, our God, treat us favorably again. We have not stopped committing sins. We have not recognized that you tell us the right way to live.*

What did Daniel say the Israelites had not done to ask Yahweh for mercy?

Daniel said they had not turned away from their sins and had not paid attention to Yahweh's truth.

Daniel 9:14

ULT	UST
And Yahweh watched over the trouble and brought it upon us, for Yahweh our God is righteous in all of his deeds that he has done, for we have not listened to his voice.	*Because we did not obey what you told us, it was right for you, our God, to punish us as you did. You were ready to cause this disaster, and you made it happen to us when we deserved it.*

What did Daniel say Yahweh did because the Israelites did not listen to his voice?

Daniel said Yahweh watched over the trouble and brought it upon the Israelites, because Yahweh is righteous in all his deeds.

Daniel 9:15

ULT	UST
And now, Lord our God, who brought out your people from the land of Egypt with a mighty hand and made a name for yourself as this day, we have sinned, we have acted wickedly.	*Now here is my request. Lord our God, you rescued us Israelites from slavery in Egypt by your great power. As a result, you have had a great reputation ever since then. But we still sinned against you by doing wicked things.*

How did the Lord bring his people out of Egypt?

The Lord brought his people out of Egypt with a mighty hand.

Daniel 9:16

ULT	UST
Lord, according to all of your righteousnesses, may your nose and your heat please turn back from your city, Jerusalem, the mountain of your holiness. For because of our sins and because of the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and your people are for a reproach to all of the ones around us.	*Lord, just as you have delivered us in the past, I ask you now to stop being so very angry with the people of Jerusalem. That is the city where you chose to be present in a special way in your temple on Mount Zion. I ask this because the people of other nations are saying bad things about Jerusalem and us Israelites. They are doing that because you have punished us for the sins that we and our ancestors committed.*

What did Daniel ask the Lord to stop doing to Jerusalem, because of the Lord's righteous deeds?

Daniel asked the Lord to stop being angry with Jerusalem, because of the Lord's righteous deeds in the past.

Daniel 9:17

ULT	UST
And now, our God, listen to the prayer of your servant and to his supplications, and make your face shine on your desolate sanctuary, for the sake of the Lord.	*But now, our God, please do what I, your servant, am earnestly asking you to do. For the sake of your own reputation, please regard favorably your temple, which our enemies have ruined.*

What did Daniel ask God to do for his ruined sanctuary?

Daniel asked God to listen to his prayer and to regard his ruined sanctuary favorably again, for the Lord's own sake.

Daniel 9:18

ULT	UST
Incline your ear, my God, and hear. Open your eyes and see our desolations and the city upon which your name is called. For we are not making our supplications fall to your face because of our righteousnesses but because of your great mercies.	*My God, please listen to my prayer and do what I ask. Please consider carefully that Jerusalem, the city that belongs to you in a special way, is in ruins. I am not pleading with you to help us because we are good people and deserve that. I am asking you to help us because you are very merciful.*

What did Daniel say was the reason he was asking God for help, instead of the Israelites' own righteous deeds?

Daniel said he was asking God for help because of God's great mercies, not because of their own righteous deeds.

Daniel 9:19

ULT	UST
Lord, hear! Lord, forgive! Lord, pay attention and act! For your sake, my God, may you not delay, for your name is called upon your city and upon your people."	*Lord, please listen to me! Lord, please forgive us! Lord, please do what I am asking you to do! Jerusalem belongs to you in a special way, and so do we Israelites. So please help us quickly, my God, for the sake of your own reputation."*

What four things did Daniel ask the Lord to do?

Daniel asked the Lord to hear, forgive, pay attention, and act without delay.

Daniel 9:20

ULT	UST
And I was still speaking and praying and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel and making my supplication fall to the face of Yahweh my God for the mountain of the holiness of my God,	

What was Daniel doing when he prayed to Yahweh about the holy mountain?

Daniel was speaking, praying, and confessing his sin and the sin of his people Israel.

Daniel 9:21

ULT	UST
and I was still speaking in prayer, and the man Gabriel whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning was flying in swiftness, reaching to me at the time of the offering of the evening.	

When did Gabriel come to Daniel?

Gabriel came to Daniel at the time of the evening sacrifice while Daniel was praying.

Daniel 9:22

ULT	UST
And he made me understand and he spoke with me and said, "Daniel, I have now come forth to make you wise for understanding.	*By speaking with me, he enabled me to understand what Yahweh had told Jeremiah about Jerusalem. He told me, "Daniel, I have come to enable you to understand.*

Why did Gabriel come to Daniel?

Gabriel came to give Daniel insight and understanding.

Daniel 9:23

ULT	UST
At the beginning of your supplications, a word came forth, and I, I have come to declare it, for you are desirablenesses. So understand the word and understand the appearance.	*When you first started to plead with Yahweh, he gave me a message for you. He loves you very much, so he sent me to you with this message. So please understand what I tell you and understand why I have appeared to you.*

When did the word come forth that Gabriel came to declare to Daniel?

The word came forth at the beginning of Daniel's supplications, because God loves Daniel very much.

Daniel 9:24

ULT	UST
Seventy sevens have been determined for your people and for the city of your holiness, to finish transgression and to seal up sins and to cover iniquity and to bring in righteousness of eternities and to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the Holy of Holies.	*Yahweh has determined that there will be seventy sets of seven time periods for you Israelites and for the holy city of Jerusalem. He will stop you from rebelling against him and keep you from committing more sins. He will forgive the wrong things you have done, and he will enable you always to do what is right. He will make the things happen that he showed to his prophets in visions. He will make his temple a sacred place again.*

Why were seventy sevens of years decreed for Daniel's people and his holy city?

The seventy sevens of years were decreed to end transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring everlasting righteousness, to carry out the vision and the prophecy, and to consecrate the most holy place.

Daniel 9:25

ULT	UST
And may you know and understand, from the going forth of the word to return and to build Jerusalem until an anointed one, a ruler, there will be seven sevens and sixty and two sevens. It will return and it will be built with a square and a trench, but in distress of times.	*I want you to understand this well. A king will command people to rebuild Jerusalem. When they rebuild it, it will have a large public plaza, and it will have a ditch around it to protect it. It will be a dangerous time. After that, there will be seven sets of seven time periods and then sixty-two more sets of seven time periods. Then a leader will come whom God will have chosen.*

How much time will elapse between the issuing of the order to restore and rebuild Jerusalem to the coming of the anointed one?

Seven sevens and sixty-two sevens will elapse between the two events.

Daniel 9:26

ULT	UST
And after the sixty and two sevens, the anointed one will be cut off and nothing will be to him. And the city and the sanctuary, the people of the coming ruler will destroy. And its end will be with a flood, and war will be until the end. Desolations are determined.	*But after those sixty-two sets of seven time periods, he will die, so he will no longer be the ruler. Instead, another ruler will come, and his army will destroy the city of Jerusalem and the temple. It will be as if a flood has destroyed it. There will be war continually. Yahweh has determined that armies will destroy many things.*

When will the anointed one die?

He will die after the sixty-two sevens of years.

Daniel 9:27

ULT	UST
And he will strengthen a covenant with many for one seven. And in the middle of the seven, he will make the sacrifice and the offering cease. And on the wing of abominations will be something making desolate, even until the completion, and the thing having been determined will be poured out upon the one desolating."	*That ruler will make an agreement with many people that he will firmly promise to keep for seven time periods. But halfway through that time, he will stop Yahweh's priests from offering sacrifices to him. He will put something disgusting in the temple that makes it unclean. It will be there until Yahweh finally punishes the ruler who made the temple unclean. That is what Yahweh has determined to do."*

What will a coming ruler do?

He will confirm a covenant with many for one seven. In the middle of the seven he will put an end to the sacrifice and the offering.

What will happen to the one who makes desolate?

Yahweh has determined that he will finally punish the ruler who made the temple unclean.

Daniel 10

Daniel 10:1

ULT	UST
In the year of three to Cyrus, the king of Persia, a word was revealed to Daniel, whose name was called Belteshazzar. And the word was true, and the war was great. And he understood the word, and understanding was to him about the vision.	*During the third year that Cyrus was the king of Persia, God revealed a message to Daniel. (The Babylonians had given him the name Belteshazzar.) The message was about a terrible war that was certainly going to happen. The message came in a vision, and Daniel understood what it meant.*

What message was revealed to Daniel in the third year of Cyrus king of Persia?

The message was about a great war.

How was Daniel able to understand the message?

Daniel understood the message because he had insight from a vision.

Daniel 10:2

ULT	UST
In those days, I, Daniel, was mourning for three weeks of days.	*At that time, I, Daniel, had been mourning for three weeks.*

How long was Daniel mourning?

Daniel was mourning for three weeks.

Daniel 10:3

ULT	UST
I ate no bread of delight, and flesh and wine did not come into my mouth, and anointing, I did not anoint myself until the filling of the three weeks of days.	*Throughout those three weeks, I did not eat any tasty food. I did not eat any meat or drink any wine. I did not put olive oil on my face or hair.*

What did Daniel not do during those three weeks?

He did not eat any fine food or meat, drink wine, or put oil on himself.

Daniel 10:4

ULT	UST
And on the day of twenty and four to the first month, as I was at the hand of the great river, it is the Tigris,	*Then, on the twenty-fourth day of the first month of the year, I was standing on the bank of the great Tigris River.*

Where was Daniel on the twenty-fourth day of the first month?

He was beside the great river, the Tigris.

Daniel 10:5

ULT	UST
then I lifted up my eyes and saw, and behold, a man clothed in linen, and his loins were girded with gold of Uphaz.	*I looked up, and I saw a man who was wearing linen clothes and a fine gold belt.*

Who did Daniel see in his vision?

He saw a man dressed in linen with a fine gold belt around his waist.

Daniel 10:6

ULT	UST
And his body was like beryl, and his face was like the appearance of lightning, and his eyes were like torches of fire, and his arms and his feet were like the eye of polished bronze, and the sound of his words was like the sound of a multitude.	*His body shone like a jewel. His face was as bright as a flash of lightning. His eyes were like flaming torches. His arms and legs shone like polished bronze. His voice was very loud, like the roar of a huge crowd.*

What was the man in Daniel's vision like?

The man's body was like beryl, his face was like lightning, his eyes were like flaming torches, his arms and feet were like polished bronze, and the sound of his words was like the sound of a multitude.

Daniel 10:7

ULT	UST
And I, Daniel, alone saw the appearance, for the men who were with me did not see the appearance. However, a great trembling fell on them, and they fled to hide themselves.	*I, Daniel, was the only one who saw this vision. There were some men with me, but they did not see it. However, they became very afraid, and they ran away and hid.*

What happened to the men who were with Daniel?

They did not see the vision, but they were terrified and ran away to hide themselves.

Daniel 10:8-9

What was Daniel's response when he saw the great vision and heard the man's words?

Daniel's face turned pale, and no strength remained in him. He fell into a deep sleep with his face to the ground.

Daniel 10:10

ULT	UST
Then behold, a hand touched me, and it made me totter on my knees and the palms of my hands.	*But then he took hold of me and lifted me up so that I was on my hands and knees. I was shaking.*

What happened when the hand touched Daniel?

It made him get up, trembling, onto his hands and knees.

Daniel 10:11

ULT	UST
And he said to me, "Daniel, man of delight, understand the words that I will be speaking to you. Stand on your standing, for now I have been sent to you." And when he had spoken this word to me, I stood up trembling.	*The man told me, "Daniel, God loves you very much. God has sent me to you, so stand up. I am going to tell you a message, and I want you to understand it." When he said that to me, I stood up, but I was still shaking.*

What did the man tell Daniel to do?

He told Daniel to understand the words he was about to speak and to stand up, because he had been sent to him.

Daniel 10:12

ULT	UST
And he said to me, "May you not fear, Daniel, for from the first day that you set your heart to understand and to humble yourself to the face of your God, your words were heard, and I, I have come because of your words.	*Then he told me, "Daniel, you determined to ask God humbly to show you what would happen to your people in the future. God has heard what you have been praying since then. I have come because of what you have prayed. So do not be afraid!*

When was the angel sent to Daniel?

The angel was sent on the first day Daniel set his mind to understand and humble himself before God.

Daniel 10:13

ULT	UST
But the prince of the kingdom of Persia was standing against me for twenty and one day. And behold, Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me, for I, I had been left there beside the kings of Persia.	*For 21 days, the evil spirit that influences the kingdom of Persia kept me from coming to you. But Michael, one of God's chief angels, came and helped me. Otherwise, I would not have been able to get past that evil spirit that influences the Persian rulers.*

Why did it take the angel twenty-one days to come to Daniel?

The angel was detained by the prince of the kingdom of Persia who resisted him.

Daniel 10:14

ULT	UST
And I have come to make you understand what will happen to your people at the end of days. For the vision is yet for days."	*I have come to enable you to understand what will happen to your people when the world is about to end. Now this will happen sometime in the future."*

When will the events of the vision happen?

The vision was about the last days, the days yet to come.

Daniel 10:15

ULT	UST
And while he was speaking with me according to these words, I put my face toward the ground, and I was silent.	*While he was saying these things to me, I was looking at the ground, and I was not saying anything.*

What did Daniel do while the man was speaking to him?

Daniel looked down at the ground and said nothing.

Daniel 10:16-17

What did Daniel say the vision had done to him?

Daniel said the vision had greatly upset him, and that he had no strength left and could hardly breathe.

Daniel 10:18

ULT	UST
And the one according to the appearance of a man added and touched me, and he strengthened me.	*But then this person who looked like a human being took hold of me again, and that made me feel stronger.*

What did the one with an appearance like a human being do to strengthen Daniel?

The one who looked like a human being touched Daniel to strengthen him.

Daniel 10:19

ULT	UST
And he said, "May you not fear, man of delight. Peace to you. Be strong and be strong." And while he was speaking with me, I was strengthened, and I said, "May my lord speak, for you have strengthened me."	*He told me, "Do not be afraid, you mortal. God loves you very much. Be peaceful, and be very strong." When he said that to me, I did feel stronger. I said, "Sir, you have helped me feel stronger. So please do give me your message."*

What did the man tell Daniel?

He told Daniel not to be afraid, wished him peace, and told him to be strong.

Daniel 10:20

ULT	UST
And he said, "Do you know why I have come to you? But now I will return to fight against the prince of Persia. And I am going out, and behold, the prince of Javan will come.	

What did the one who looked like a human being say he was going to do after he left Daniel?

He said he was returning to fight against the prince of Persia.

Daniel 10:21

ULT	UST
But I will declare to you the inscribed in the Writing of Truth. And there is not one being strong with me against these except Michael, your prince.	

What did the one who looked like a human being say he was going to tell Daniel?

He said he was going to tell Daniel what was written in the book of truth.

Daniel 11

Daniel 11:1

ULT	UST
And I, in the year of one to Darius the Mede, I stood as one strengthening and as a fortress for him.	*I myself helped and protected Michael during the first year that Darius the Mede was king.*

Whom did the messenger help and protect during the first year that Darius the Mede was king?

The messenger helped and protected Michael that year.

Daniel 11:2

ULT	UST
And now, I will declare the truth to you. Behold, three more kings will be standing in Persia, and a fourth will become wealthy with wealth greater than all. And according to his strength by his riches, he will awaken all against the kingdom of Javan.	*And now I will tell you what will surely happen in the future. Pay attention. Three more kings will rule Persia, and then there will be a fourth king who will be much richer than the others. Because he will be so rich, he will be able to assemble a great army from throughout his empire to attack the kingdom of Javan.*

How will a fourth king in Persia gain power?

He will gain power through his riches.

Against what kingdom will that fourth Persian king stir up everyone?

He will stir up everyone against the kingdom of Javan.

Daniel 11:3

ULT	UST
Then a mighty king will stand, and he will rule with great dominion, and he will do according to his will.	*Then there will be a king who is very powerful. He will reign over a very large empire. He will do whatever he wants to do.*

What will a mighty king do when he rises to power?

He will rule with great dominion and do whatever he wants.

Daniel 11:4

ULT	UST
But as he stands, his kingdom will be broken and divided toward the four winds of the heavens, but not to his posterity, and not according to his dominion by which he ruled. For his kingdom will be uprooted, and to others besides these.	*But while he is still powerful, he will die. His kingdom will break up into four parts. Men who are not his descendants will rule those parts. They will not be as powerful as he was as a king. That is because his empire will be like a plant that someone has pulled out of the ground. Other people will rule its parts.*

To whom will the kingdom of the mighty king not be given?

That kingdom will not be given to the king's own descendants.

Daniel 11:5-6

Who will make an alliance?

The king of the south and one of his commanders who will become a king of the north will make an alliance.

Daniel 11:6

ULT	UST
And at the end of years, they will unite themselves. The daughter of the king of the south will come to the king of the north to make uprightnesses. But she will not retain the strength of the arm, and he will not stand, nor his arm. And she will be given up, she and the ones having brought her and the one having fathered her and the one strengthening her, in those times.	*After many years, the southern king and the northern king will become allies. To make a peace treaty, the southern king will allow the northern king to marry his daughter. But she will not be the queen for very long. Her husband, the northern king, will not continue to rule. People will kill her, her child, her husband, and the officials who brought her from the southern kingdom.*

Who will come to confirm the alliance between the king of the south and the king of the north?

The daughter of the king of the south will come to the king of the north to confirm the agreement.

Daniel 11:7

ULT	UST
But from a branch of her roots, one will stand in his place. And he will come against the army, and he will enter into the fortress of the king of the north. And he will do with them and be strong.	*But then a member of her family will become the next southern king. He will lead his army to attack the northern army, and he will defeat them when they fight. He will conquer the capital city of the northern kingdom.*

What will the branch from the daughter of the king of the south do to the king of the north?

He will attack the army and enter the fortress of the king of the north and conquer them.

Daniel 11:8

ULT	UST
And also he will bring into captivity to Egypt their gods with their metal images with the silver and gold vessels of their delight. And he, for years he will stand from the king of the north.	*He will also take away the idols that represent their gods and their gold and silver treasures. He will bring them back to Egypt with him. For the next several years he will not attack the northern king.*

What will the king of the south take back to Egypt?

He will take the idols, metal images, and silver and gold treasures of the north to Egypt.

Daniel 11:9

ULT	UST
Then he will come into the kingdom of the king of the south, but he will return to his land.	*Then the northern king will invade the southern kingdom. But he will lose the battle and have to retreat to his own kingdom.*

What will happen when the king of the north invades the southern kingdom?

He will have to retreat back to his own land.

Daniel 11:10

ULT	UST
And his sons will be stirred up, and they will assemble the multitude of a great army. And coming, it will come, and it will overflow and pass through, and it will return and be stirred up to his fortress.	*But his sons who rule after him will prepare to attack the southern kingdom again. They will gather a very large army. As that army marches south, it will cover the land like a huge flood. After some fighting, there will be a truce, but then the northern army will attack again. It will conquer a city that has strong walls around it.*

What will the sons of the king of the north do?

They will wage war and assemble a great army. They will overflow like a flood, pass through, and repeat the assault all the way to the fortress of the king of the south.

Daniel 11:11

ULT	UST
Then the king of the south will embitter himself, and he will go out and fight with him, with the king of the north. And he will make a great multitude stand, but the multitude will be given into his hand,	*This will make the southern king very angry. He will lead his army to fight against the northern king. The northern king will gather a great army, but the southern king will defeat that great army.*

What will the king of the south do in response to the attack by the sons of the king of the north?

The king of the south will march out in a rage and fight against the king of the north.

Daniel 11:11-12

Who will win this battle between the north and the south?

The king of the south will win that battle.

Daniel 11:13

ULT	UST
For the king of the north will return and make stand a multitude greater than the first. And at the end of times, years, coming, he will come with a great army and with much equipment.	*Instead, the northern king will prepare to fight again. He will gather an even bigger army than the one that he had before. After several years, he will invade the southern kingdom with a large army that has much military equipment.*

After some years, what will the king of the north do?

He will raise another great army supplied with much equipment and will surely come.

Daniel 11:14

ULT	UST
And in those times, many will stand against the king of the south. And sons of violence of your people will lift themselves up to make the vision stand, but they will stumble.	*When that happens, many people will rebel against the southern king. Some violent men among the Israelites will revolt against him, but he will defeat them. However, this will help make happen the things I am showing you.*

In those times who else will rise against the king of the south?

In those times many will rise against the king of the south, including the most violent among Daniel's people.

Daniel 11:15-16

What will happen this time when the king of the north attacks the king of the south?

The king of the south will not be able to stand against him. The king of the north will do whatever he wants against the king of the south.

Daniel 11:17

ULT	UST
And he will set his face to come with the strength of all of his kingdom, and uprightnesses with him, thus he will do. And he will give a daughter of women to him, to ruin it. But it will not stand, and it will not be for him.	*Then the northern king will determine to invade the southern kingdom with as strong an army as he can form from his kingdom. He will bring a peace treaty and make the southern king agree to it. He will allow the southern king to marry his daughter, but he will want his daughter to work for him against her husband. But this plan will not succeed, so it will not help him.*

Why will the king of the north give a daughter in marriage to the king of the south?

The king of the north will do this in order to destroy the kingdom of the south.

Daniel 11:18-19

What will happen to this king of the North?

A commander will defeat him and shame him, instead of being shamed himself. Then he will retreat to the fortresses of his own land, but he will stumble and die, and no one will find him.

Daniel 11:20

ULT	UST
And one making an exactor pass through the splendor of the kingdom will stand in his place. But in a few days he will be broken, but not in nostrils and not in battle.	*The king who rules after him will send one of his officials to collect tribute from Judea, the most glorious part of his kingdom. But after a few years, that king will die. He will not die in battle or because people rebel angrily against him; instead, someone will murder him.*

What will the one who rises up in place of the king of the north do?

He will force taxes to be paid to provide for the splendor of the kingdom.

What will happen to this one who forces taxes to be paid?

After only a few days that one will be destroyed, but not in anger or in battle.

Daniel 11:21

ULT	UST
And a despised one will stand in his place, and they will not give the splendor of the kingdom to him. And he will come in security, and he will seize the kingdom by intrigues.	*The king who rules after him will be an evil man. He will not deserve to become king, since he will not be the son of the previous king. He will come when people do not expect it, and he will become king by making secret plots.*

How will a despised person who has not been given the honor of royalty come to power?

He will come to power quietly, when people are not expecting it, and will take over the kingdom by making secret plots.

Daniel 11:22

ULT	UST
And the arms of the flood will be swept away from to his face, and they will be broken, and also the leader of the covenant.	*Great armies will oppose him, but he will defeat them and destroy them. He will also remove God's high priest.*

Whom will the despised king also remove, besides defeating the armies opposing him?

He will also remove God's high priest, the leader of the covenant.

Daniel 11:23

ULT	UST
And after the joining together with him, he will act with deceit. And he will go up, and he will become strong with a few of people.	*The rulers of other nations will make treaties with him, but he will betray them. He will begin with a small army, but he will become very powerful.*

What will this despised king do once an alliance is made with him?

From the time an alliance is made with him, he will act deceitfully.

Daniel 11:24

ULT	UST
In security he will come even into the fatnesses of the province, and he will do what his fathers and the fathers of his fathers did not do. He will scatter plunder and spoil and wealth to them, and he will devise his devices against fortifications, but until a time.	*When people are not expecting it, he will capture the most fertile regions in the southern kingdom. The kings who ruled the northern kingdom before him had not been able to do that, but he will do it. He will reward his troops and supporters with valuable possessions that he takes from those regions. He will make plans to capture the cities in the southern kingdom that have walls around them. But he will pursue those plans only for a short time.*

What will the king do with the plunder he takes from the richest parts of the province?

He will give the plunder, spoil, and wealth to his troops and supporters.

Daniel 11:25

ULT	UST
And he will awaken his strength and his heart against the king of the south with a great army. And the king of the south will be stirred up to battle with an army great and mighty unto much. But he will not stand, for they will devise devices against him.	*The northern king will feel strong and confident, and he will gather a large army to attack the southern king. The southern king will gather a very large army so that he can fight against him. But he will lose the battle because some of his officials will betray him.*

What will happen when this deceitful king wages war against the king of the south?

The king of the south will not be able to stand against the deceitful king because of all the plots devised against him.

Daniel 11:26

ULT	UST
Even the eaters of his portion will break him. And his army will be swept away, and many will fall slain.	*Some of his own royal officials will help destroy him. The northern king will defeat his army, and many of his soldiers will die.*

Who will help destroy the king of the south?

Some of his own royal officials will help destroy him, and many of his soldiers will be killed.

Daniel 11:27

ULT	UST
And the two of them, the kings, their heart will be to evil, and at one table they will speak falsehood. But it will not prosper, for the end is still for the appointed time.	*Then the northern king and the southern king will meet together to make a peace treaty. But each one will be trying to trick the other, so they will lie to each other. However, neither one will get what he wants, because God has decided what will ultimately happen.*

Why will the king of the north and the king of the south sit at the same table and lie to each other?

They will lie to each other because their hearts are set on evil against each other.

Daniel 11:28

ULT	UST
And he will return to his land with great wealth. And his heart will be against the covenant of holiness. And he will act, and he will return to his land.	*The northern king will then return to his own land. He will take away many valuable things that his army has captured. He will be hostile to the Jewish people, and he will harm them on his way back to his land.*

What will the heart of the king of the north be set against?

His heart will be set against the holy covenant.

Daniel 11:29

ULT	UST
At the appointed time, he will return and come into the south. But it will not be like the former and like the latter.	*At the time that God has determined, the northern king will invade the southern kingdom again. But this time he will not be successful as he was before.*

What will happen when the king of the north invades the south again at the appointed time?

He will invade again, but this time it will not go as it did before.

Daniel 11:30

ULT	UST
For ships of Kittim will come against him, and he will be frightened, and he will return. And he will rage against the covenant of holiness, and he will act. And he will return, and he will attend to the forsakers of the covenant of holiness.	*An army will sail across the sea to oppose him. This will terrify hm, and he will have to retreat. This will make him very angry, and so he will harm the Jewish people again as he retreats. He will favor those Jews who no longer obey the agreement between Yahweh and the Israelites.*

How will the king of the north show his rage against the holy covenant?

He will show his rage by favoring those who abandon the holy covenant.

Daniel 11:31

ULT	UST
And arms from him will stand, and they will profane the sanctuary, the fortress. And they will remove the perpetual sacrifice, and they will set up the abomination making desolate.	*The northern king will send his army to make the temple ritually unclean. They will prevent the priests from offering the regular sacrifices to Yahweh each morning and evening. They will put something disgusting in the temple that makes it unclean.*

What will the king's army do to the sanctuary?

They will make the sanctuary unclean, stop the regular sacrifice, and set up the abomination that makes it desolate.

Daniel 11:32

ULT	UST
And he will pollute with flatteries the wicked actors of the covenant. But the people knowing its God, they will be strong and act.	*Some Jews will be wickedly disobeying the agreement with Yahweh. The northern king will deceive them so that they become loyal to him. But other Jews will still be loyal to Yahweh, their God. They will firmly oppose him.*

How will the people who know their God respond to the king's flattery?

They will be strong and take action against him.

Daniel 11:33

ULT	UST
And the makers wise of the people will make many understand. But they will stumble by the sword and by flame, by captivity and by plunder, for days.	*Some wise Jewish leaders will help other Jews recognize that they should resist the northern king. But for a short time, the northern king's soldiers will be able to kill them with their swords or by burning them. They soldiers will take some of them as prisoners, and they will steal their possessions.*

What will the wise do at that time?

At that time, the wise will give understanding to many.

Daniel 11:33-34

What will happen to the wise?

For a time, the wise will fall by the sword and by flame, be taken as prisoners, and be robbed of their possessions. When they stumble, they will receive a little help.

Daniel 11:35

ULT	UST
And some of the ones making wise will stumble to refine and to purify and to whiten them until the time of the end. For it is still for the appointed time.	*Some of those wise leaders will die. But as a result, other Jews will live in a way that honors Yahweh even more. These things must happen at the time when God has determined, so this suffering will continue until God ends it.*

Why will some of the wise stumble?

Some of them will stumble so that they may be refined, cleansed, and made pure until the time of the end.

Daniel 11:36-37

Above whom will this deceitful king of the north exalt himself?

He will exalt and magnify himself above every god, including the God of gods, the gods of his ancestors, and the god desired by women.

Daniel 11:38

ULT	UST
But in its place he will honor a god of fortresses. Indeed, a god whom his fathers did not know, he will honor with gold and with silver, with precious stone and with desirable things.	*Instead, he will honor a god that he thinks will help him win wars. His ancestors did not worship that god, but he honors it with gifts of gold, silver, jewels and other expensive items.*

What god will the king honor instead of the gods of his fathers?

He will honor a god of fortresses that his ancestors did not know, honoring it with gold, silver, precious stones, and other valuable things.

Daniel 11:39

ULT	UST
And he will act against the fortifications of fortresses with a foreign god. To those who acknowledge him, he will increase glory, and he will make them rule over many, and he will divide the land for a price.	*He will ask that foreign god to help him conquer strong fortresses. He will greatly honor those who obey him as their king. He will make them rule over many people, and to reward them, he will give them property.*

What will this deceitful king of the north do for those who acknowledge him?

He will give honor to those who acknowledge him. He will make them rulers over many people.

Daniel 11:40

ULT	UST
And at the time of the end, the king of the south will gore together with him. But the king of the north will storm himself against him with chariotry and with horsemen, and with many ships. And he will come into lands, and he will overflow and pass through.	*When all of these events I am describing are about to end, the southern king will attack the northern king. The northern king will fight back against him furiously. His soldiers will be driving chariots and riding horses and traveling in a fleet of ships. His army will invade many countries. It will spread all over those countries like a flood.*

What will the king of the north use to attack at the time of the end?

He will attack with chariots, horsemen, and many ships, invading many countries.

Daniel 11:41

ULT	UST
And he will come into the land of beauty, and many will stumble. But these will escape from his hand: Edom and Moab and the first of the sons of Ammon.	*The northern king will invade the beautiful land of Israel. His soldiers will kill many people. But the Edomites, Moabites, and most of the Ammonites will survive his attack.*

At the time of the end, what will happen when the king of the north comes into the glorious land?

Many people in that land will stumble and fall.

Who will escape from the hand of the king of the north?

Edom, Moab, and most of the people of Ammon will escape from his hand.

Daniel 11:42-43

What are some of the countries over which this king of the north will extend his power?

This king of the north will extend his power over Egypt, the Libyans, and the Cushites.

Daniel 11:44

ULT	UST
But reports from the east and from the north will terrify him, and he will go out in great heat to destroy and to devote many.	*But he will become very frightened when he hears reports about what is happening in the east and in the north. He will become very angry, and he will lead his army to defeat his enemies and destroy them completely.*

What will this king of the north do when reports from the east and north alarm him?

He will go out with great rage to destroy and to devote many to destruction.

Daniel 11:45

ULT	UST
And he will plant the tents of his palace between the seas, to the mountain of the beauty of holiness. But he will come to his end, and no one will be helping him.	*The northern king will set up his royal tents in the area between the sea and the mountain in Jerusalem where Yahweh's holy temple is. But that is where he will die. No one will be able to help him so that he does not die.*

Where will this king of the north set up the tents of his palace?

He will set up the tents of his palace between the seas, at the mountain of the beauty of holiness.

Who will help the king of the north at the end?

The king of the north will come to his end, and there will be no one to help him.

Daniel 12

Daniel 12:1

ULT	UST
And at that time, Michael, the great prince standing over the sons of your people, will stand. And a time of distress will be that has not been from the being of a nation until that time. But at that time, your people will be rescued, every one found written in the book.	*When those things happen, the great angel Michael, who protects the Israelites, will help them. The Israelites will have more trouble than they have had since they became a nation until now. But at that time, God will rescue every one of his people whose name he has written in his book.*

Who is it that guards Daniel's people?

Michael, the great prince, guards Daniel's people.

How bad will the time of trouble be?

It will be a time of trouble such as never was since the beginning of any nation until that time.

At that time who will be saved?

At that time Daniel's people will be saved, everyone whose name is found written in the book.

Daniel 12:2

ULT	UST
And many of the sleepers of the ground of the dust will awaken, these to life of eternity and these to reproaches, to contempt of eternity.	*Many people who have died and who are in graves in the ground will become alive again. Some of them will live eternally with God, but God will condemn others forever.*

What will happen to many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth?

Some of those who sleep in the dust of the earth will rise up to everlasting life, and some will rise up to shame and everlasting contempt.

Daniel 12:3

ULT	UST
And the ones making wise will shine like the brightness of the firmament, and the ones making many righteous, like stars forever and ever.	*Those who have done what is wise will shine as brightly as the sky. And those who have helped others to live right will shine like stars forever.*

What will happen to those who are wise and those who turn many to righteousness?

Those who are wise will shine like the brightness of the sky above, and those who turn many to righteousness will shine like the stars forever and ever.

Daniel 12:4

ULT	UST
But you, Daniel, close up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end. Many will go about, that knowledge may increase."	*But as for you, Daniel, do not tell anyone what I have told you. You may write this down, but seal the scroll so that no one opens it and reads it until it is time for these things to start happening. People will go to different places trying to find out what is going to happen."*

How long was Daniel told to keep the book sealed?

He was told to keep the book sealed until the time of the end.

Daniel 12:5

ULT	UST
And I looked, I, Daniel, and behold, two others were standing, one here on the lip of the river and one there on the lip of the river.	*When that angel finished speaking, I, Daniel, looked up, and I saw two other angels. One angel was standing on my side of the river, and the other angel was standing on the opposite side.*

Who did Daniel see standing beside the river?

Daniel saw two other men, one standing on each side of the river.

Daniel 12:6

ULT	UST
And one said to the man clothed in linens, who was from above to the waters of the river, "Until when will be the end of the wonders?"	*One of them called to the angel who had been speaking to me, who was wearing linen clothes. He was above the river. That other angel asked him, "How long will it be until these amazing events end?"*

What did one of the two men ask the man clothed in linen?

He asked how long it would be until the end of these wonders.

Daniel 12:7

ULT	UST
And I heard the man clothed in linens who was from above to the waters of the river. And he raised his right hand and his left hand toward the heavens, and he swore by the one living for eternity that it would be for an appointed time, appointed times, and a half. And according to the finishing of the shattering of the hand of the people of holiness, all of these would finish.	*The angel wearing linen clothes who was above the river raised both of his hands toward the sky. I heard him solemnly swear by God, who lives forever, that it would be for a time, times, and half a time. For a while, God's holy people will lose their power. But when that time is over, these other events will also end.*

How long did the man clothed in linen say it would be until the end of these amazing events?

The man clothed in linen said it would be for a time, times, and a half. When the shattering of the power of the holy people comes to an end, all these things will be completed.

Daniel 12:8

ULT	UST
And I, I heard, but I did not understand. So I said, "My lord, what will be the end of these?"	*I heard what he said, but I did not understand it. So I asked, "Sir, what will be the result of all these events?"*

What did Daniel ask after he heard but did not understand?

Daniel asked what would be the end of these things.

Daniel 12:9

ULT	UST
And he said, "Go, Daniel, for the words are closed up and sealed until the time of the end.	*He replied, "Daniel, no one will be able to understand what this message means until the time of these events. So just continue to live your life now.*

What did the man clothed in linen say when Daniel told him he did not understand?

The man clothed in linen said to Daniel, "Go your way, Daniel, for the words are shut up and sealed until the time of the end."

Daniel 12:10

ULT	UST
Many will be purified and whitened and refined, but the wicked will act wickedly. And not any of the wicked will understand, but the ones making wise will understand.	*Many people will make sure that they live in a way that honors Yahweh greatly. But wicked people will continue to do wicked things. None of them will understand what is happening, but wise people will understand.*

At the time of the end, who will and who will not understand the words of the prophecy?

None of the wicked will understand, but those who are wise will understand.

Daniel 12:11

ULT	UST
And from the time of when the perpetual sacrifice is removed and the setting up of the abomination making desolate will be 1, 290 days.	*There will be 1, 290 days after the northern king prevents the priests from offering the regular sacrifices to Yahweh each morning and evening and puts something disgusting in the temple that makes it unclean.*

How much time will elapse between the time that the perpetual sacrifice is removed and the abomination that causes desolation is set up?

There will be 1,290 days between those two events.

Daniel 12:12

ULT	UST
The happinesses of the one waiting and he reaches to the 1, 335 days.	*God will greatly bless those who remain loyal to him until 1, 335 days are over.*

At that time who does the man clothed in linen say will be blessed?

The man clothed in linen said, “Blessed is the one who waits until the end of the 1,335 days.”

Daniel 12:13

ULT	UST
But you, go until the end, for you will rest, and you will stand for your lot at the end of days.”	*But as for you, Daniel, you will die before these things happen. But when the world ends, you will live again, and God will reward you. So for now, just continue to live the rest of your life.”*

What did the man clothed in linen say would happen to Daniel?

He said that Daniel would rest and that he would rise for his reward at the end of days.