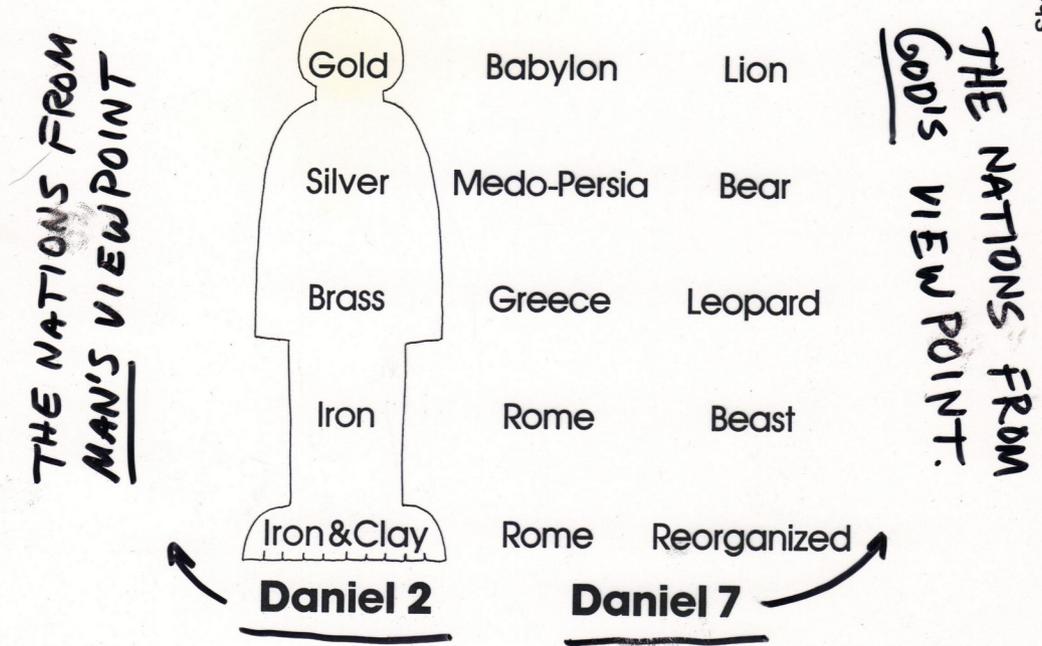
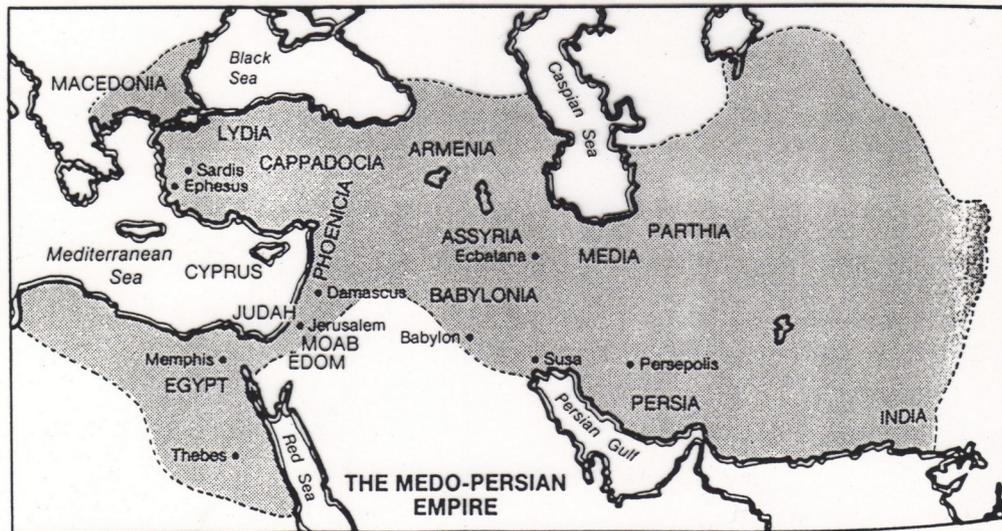
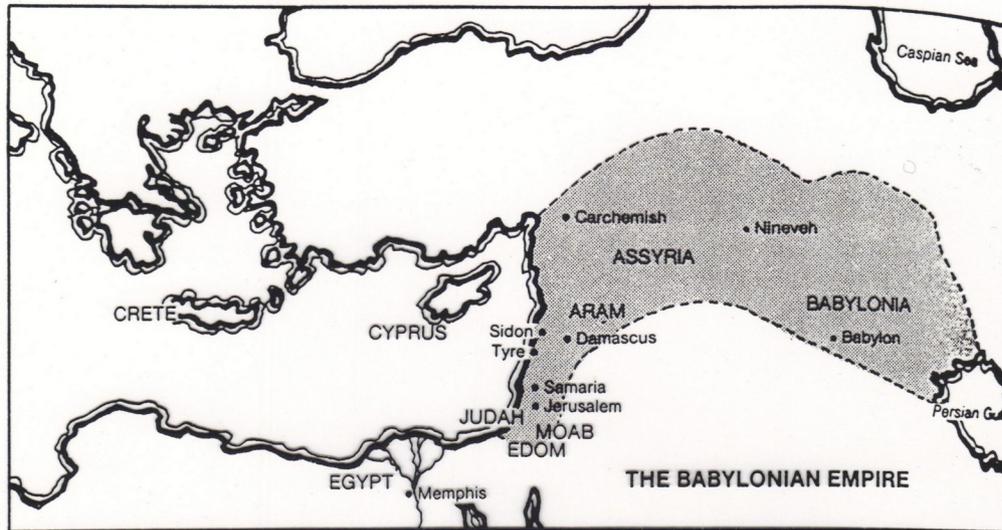
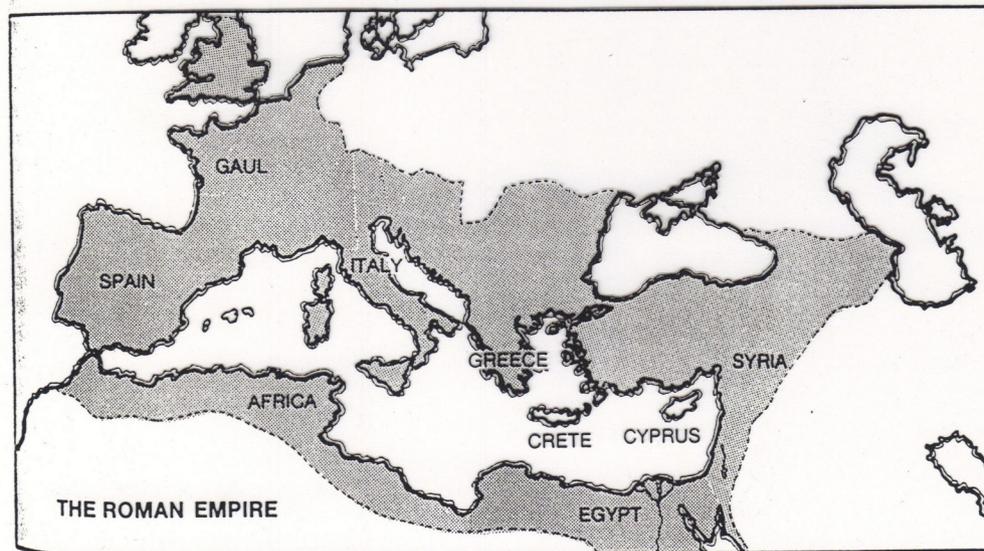


DEVELOPMENT OF THE NEW ROME

Rule of Ten Kings	Rule of the Roman Prince
Ecumenism	Emperor Worship
3½ Years	3½ Years
TRIBULATION	







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- The time of this event will be about the halfway mark in the Tribulation or Daniel's seventieth week. It will coincide approximately with the events of Revelation 12 (when Satan is booted out of heaven) and with Ezekiel 38-39 (when Russia invades Israel and is destroyed, assuming the king of the North is Russia). This will create the vacuum needed for world control.

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- During the first half of the seven years, apostate Christendom will flower and establish its power all over the world. Because of the treaty with Israel which allows them to have their temple and peace in Jerusalem, there will undoubtedly be a certain amount of religious freedom during the first 3 ½ years, but not necessarily for true believers in Christ.

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- There will be wide-spread preaching of the gospel, but genuine believers will be extremely persecuted (17:6). The reason for this is that other religious systems won't pose a threat to the harlot's system. They will all be eventually amalgamated, but true genuine Christianity will not join their ranks and will therefore pose a threat. They will therefore be persecuted. The same is true today, and we will face greater and greater pressure.

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- With the beginning of the second half of Daniel's 70th week, the leader of the revived Roman empire will proclaim himself dictator of the world. He will destroy the ecumenical church, probably just prior to this declaration. He will then be free to take over everywhere.
- In the absence of the apostate world church he substitutes the worship of himself (Rev. 13:8).

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- Two key parallel passages are Dan. 11:36-39 and 2 Thess. 2:4. Here, the willful king, the man of sin, puts aside all other deities in favor of the worship of himself (see Dan. 9:27).