

# THE OUTLINE AND STRUCTURE OF DANIEL—J West

## 1-6 COURT STORIES

- 1 The Setting  
Not defiled by food  
God gives wisdom
- 2 Nebuchadnezzar's dream  
The statue and  
4 kingdoms
- 3 Delivered from  
the furnace
- 4 Nebuchadnezzar's pride  
and fall into madness
- 5 Belshazzar's pride and  
the writing on the wall
- 6 Deliverance from the  
lions

Chapter 2:4 to the end of chapter 7 was written in Aramaic and has its own structure in which judgement and God's authority are the important themes.

A > DREAM  
(God's authority)

B > DELIVERANCE

C > JUDGEMENT  
(God's authority)

C1 > JUDGEMENT  
(God's authority)

B1 > DELIVERANCE

WRITTEN IN ARAMAIC

Chapters 3-6 deal with the responses of the different kings to GOD'S KINGDOM

Chapters 4 & 5 are central as they clearly put the earthly kings in their place under God's authority.

## 7-12 VISIONS

- 7 (Belshazzar) 552/1BC  
Dream of 4 beasts  
Universal view of events
- 8 (Belshazzar) 549/8 BC  
Vision of Ram & Goat  
(Expands on chap 7)
- 9 (Darius the Mede) 538  
The 70 Weeks
- 10 (Cyrus) 537/6 BC  
Assurance of more  
revelation
- 11 More detailed vision
- 12 Visions leading to  
the end of time

A1 > DREAM/VISION  
(God's Authority)

The visions of chapters 8-12, which revert to being written in Hebrew have to do with the future of Israel, in contrast with chapter 7 which deals with a wider view of the world

There is a chronological overlap between chapters 1 to 6 and 7 to 12.

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