**Daniel 2:31-35**

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*Daniel describes what King Nebuchadnezzar saw in his dream: an extravagant statue made of precious metals. Its head was golden, its breast and arms silver, its belly and thighs bronze, its legs iron, and its feet iron and clay. A rock destroyed the statue and grew into a mountain.*

Unlike all the other wisemen in Babylon, Daniel was able to tell the king what he saw in his dream. Nebuchadnezzar saw one *single great statue*in his dream. It was *large and extraordinary*in its splendor. It was *standing in front of*the king, and its *appearance was awesome.*, The *head*of the *statue was made of fine gold,* with its *breast (*or chest) and *arms* made *of silver*, *its belly and its thighs of bronze, its legs of iron*, and *its* *feet* made from both *iron* and*clay.*

In his dream, the king *continued looking* *until a stone was cut out without hands*, meaning that the stone was quarried by God and not with human hands. The stone *struck* *the statue on its feet* *of iron and clay and crushed them*. Next, the entire statue came crashing down and blew away—*not a trace of* it *was found.* Every bit of the *statue*was *crushed all at the same time:*the *iron*and *clay*of the *legs*, the *bronze*of the *belly and thigh,*the *silver*of the torso, and the *gold*of the *head.*The image is of the *chaff from the summer threshing floors*blowing up into the air, then drifting away, with no traces remaining. *Chaff* is the husks and other portions of harvested plants other than the grain, which is heavy and falls to the ground while the lighter parts float away into the wind. Then the king saw that the stone from God grew into a *great* *mountain*, which *filled the whole earth.*

Next, Daniel will interpret the dream for King Nebuchadnezzar and explain how each part of the statue represents a kingdom from man, but in the end God’s kingdom will ultimately be established over all. Each kingdom of man will build upon the other. But God’s kingdom will completely replace the kingdoms of men.

**Biblical Text:**
**31“You, O king, were looking and behold, there was a single great statue; that statue, which was large and of extraordinary splendor, was standing in front of you, and its appearance was awesome. 32The head of that statue was made of fine gold, its breast and its arms of silver, its belly and its thighs of bronze, 33its legs of iron, its feet partly of iron and partly of clay. 34You continued looking until a stone was cut out without hands, and it struck the statue on its feet of iron and clay and crushed them. 35Then the iron, the clay, the bronze, the silver and the gold were crushed all at the same time and became like chaff from the summer threshing floors; and the wind carried them away so that not a trace of them was found. But the stone that struck the statue became a great mountain and filled the whole earth.**