





Daniel 2 v11

What the king asks is too difficult. No one can reveal it to the king except the gods, and they do not live among humans.

²⁰“Praise be to the name of God for ever and ever;
wisdom and power are his.

²¹ He changes times and seasons;
he deposes kings and raises up others.

He gives wisdom to the wise
and knowledge to the discerning.

²² He reveals deep and hidden things;
he knows what lies in darkness,
and light dwells with him.

²³ I thank and praise you, God of my ancestors:
You have given me wisdom and power,
you have made known to me what we asked of you,
you have made known to us the dream of the king.

Daniel ch 2 v.27-28a

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Head of Gold

**Breast and Arms
of Silver**

**Belly and Thighs
of Brass**

Legs of Iron

Metals increase in strength
Metals decrease in value

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BABYLON

Absolute Monarchy
w/Monarch above law



MEDO-PERSIA

Monarch was not above
law and could not
change his own decrees



GREECE

Hellenistic kings had no
dynastic or royal right
to rule; ruled by force and
personal gifts



ROME

Republic degenerated into
mob rule merging with
Imperial form of government



Decrease in Character
of authority and rule

REVIVED ROME (Future)

Increase in
Strength

Daniel 2

“Nebuchadnezzar’s Dream”



Golden Head	Nebuchadnezzar's Babylon	Nebuchadnezzar's Babylon	605 to 562BCE
Silver Body	After Nebuchadnezzar "Inferior"	Nabonidus' Babylon	556 to 539BCE
Bronze Waist	Rules The World	Persian Empire	539 to 330BCE
Iron Legs	Crushes all Others	Alexander the Great	330 to 323BCE
Iron and Clay Feet	Breaks to Pieces	Alexander's Kingdom Divided	323BCE

Daniel 2 v 37a & 38

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Daniel 2 v 34, 35 & 44

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⁴⁴In the time of those kings, the God of heaven will set up **a kingdom that will never be destroyed**, nor will it be left to another people. It will crush all those kingdoms and bring them to an end, but **it will itself endure forever**.

Daniel 7 v 13 & 14

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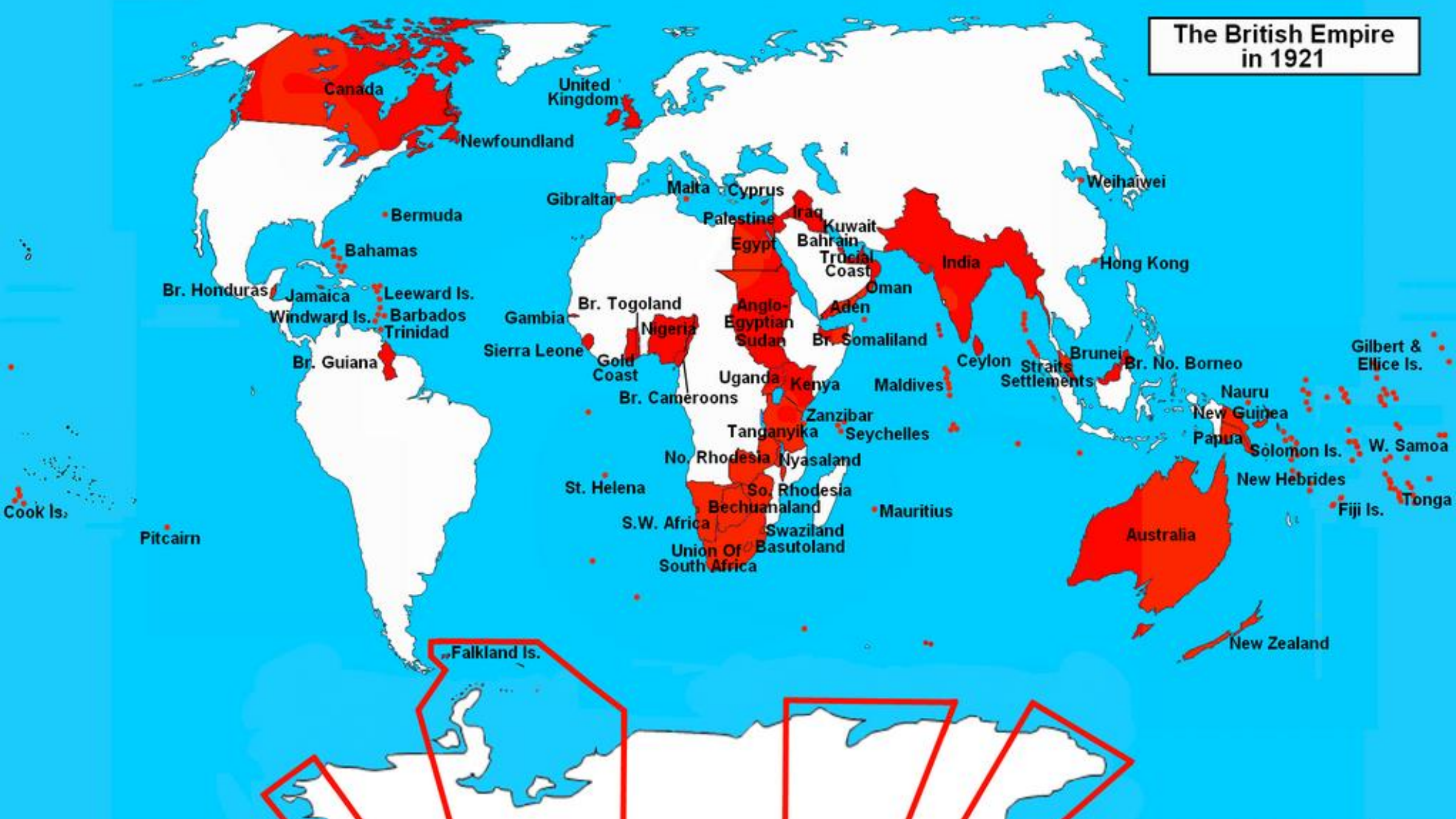
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3. The rock was cut out, but not by human hands. Jesus was conceived not by man but by the Holy Spirit – Luke 1 v35

The British Empire in 1921







Daniel ch 2 v.46 & 47

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