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| **Daniel 2** |

**Daniel 1**

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| [***The God Who Reveals Mysteries***](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/christ/comment/bible/daniel/index.html#12-5)***, Daniel 2-3     |***  |

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| ***Nebuchadnezzar, forgetting his dream, requires it of the Chaldeans, by promises and threatenings.***  |

**2:1 In the second year of the reign of** [**Nebuchadnezzar**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/nebuchadnezzar.html)**, Nebuchadnezzar dreamed** [**dreams**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/dream.html)**;
and his** [**spirit**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/spirit.html) **was troubled, and his sleep went from him.**

**2:2 Then the king commanded to call the magicians, and the enchanters, and the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans, to tell the king his dreams. So they came in and stood before the king.**

**2:3 The king said to them,**

**I have dreamed a** [**dream**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/dream.html)**, and my** [**spirit**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/spirit.html) **is troubled to know the dream.**

**2:4 Then spoke the Chaldeans to the king in the** [**Syrian**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/syria.html) **language,**

**O king, live forever: tell your servants the dream, and we will show the** [**interpretation**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/interpret.html)**.**

**2:5 The king answered the Chaldeans,**

**The thing is gone from me:
if you don’t make** [**known**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/know.html) **to me the dream and its interpretation, you shall be cut in pieces, and your** [**houses**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/house.html) **shall be made a dunghill.**

**2:6 But if you show the** [**dream**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/dream.html) **and its** [**interpretation**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/interpret.html)**, you shall receive of me gifts and rewards and great honor:
therefore show me the dream and its interpretation.**

**2:7 They answered the second time and said,**

**Let the king tell his servants the dream, and we will show the interpretation.**

**2:8 The king answered,**

**I know of a certainty that you would gain time, because you** [**see**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/see.html) **the thing is gone from me.**

**2:9 But if you don’t make known to me the dream, there is but one law for you;
for you have prepared lying and corrupt words to speak before me, until the** [**time**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/times.html) **be changed:
therefore tell me the** [**dream**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/dream.html)**, and I shall know that you can show me its interpretation.**

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| ***They acknowledging their inability are judged to die.***  |

**2:10 The Chaldeans answered before the king, and said,**

**There is not a man on the earth who can show the king’s matter, because no king, lord, or ruler, has asked such a thing of any magician, or enchanter, or Chaldean.**

**2:11 It is a rare thing that the king requires, and there is no other who can show it before the king, except the gods, whose dwelling is not with flesh.**

**2:12 For this cause the king was angry and very furious, and commanded to destroy all the** [**wise**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/wisdom.html) **men of** [**Babylon**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/babylon.html)**.**

**2:13 So the decree went forth, and the wise men were to be slain; and they sought** [**Daniel**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/study/daniel.html) **and his companions to be slain.**

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| ***Daniel obtaining some respite finds the dream.***  |

**2:14 Then Daniel returned answer with counsel and prudence to Arioch the captain of the king’s guard, who was gone forth to kill the wise men of Babylon;**

**2:15 he answered Arioch the king’s captain,**

**Why is the decree so urgent from the king?**

**Then Arioch made the thing known to Daniel.**

**2:16 Daniel went in, and desired of the king that he would appoint him a time, and he would show the king the** [**interpretation**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/interpret.html)**.**

**2:17 Then Daniel went to his house, and made the thing known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions:**

**2:18 that they would desire** [**mercies**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/mercy.html) **of the** [**God**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/g-d.html) **of** [**heaven**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/heaven.html) **concerning this secret;
that Daniel and his companions should not perish with the rest of the wise men of Babylon.**

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| ***He blesses God.***  |

**2:19 Then was the secret** [**revealed**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/reveal.html) **to Daniel in a** [**vision**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/vision.html) **of the night. Then Daniel** [**blessed**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/blessed.html) **the God of heaven.**

**2:20 Daniel answered,**

**Blessed be the** [**name**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/name.html) **of God forever and ever; for** [**wisdom**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/wisdom.html) **and might are his.**

**2:21 He changes the** [**times**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/times.html) **and the** [**seasons**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/times.html#seasons)**;
he removes kings, and sets up kings;
he gives** [**wisdom**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/wisdom.html) **to the wise,
and** [**knowledge**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/know.html) **to those who have** [**understanding**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/understand.html)**;**

**2:22 he** [**reveals**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/reveal.html) **the deep and secret things;
he** [**knows**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/know.html) **what is in the** [**darkness**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/darkness.html)**,
and the light dwells with him.**

**2:23 I** [**thank you**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/thanksgiving.html)**, and** [**praise**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/praise.html) **you, you** [**God**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/g-d.html) **of my fathers,
who have given me** [**wisdom**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/wisdom.html) **and might,
and have now made** [**known**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/know.html) **to me what we desired of you;
for you have made known to us the king’s matter.**

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| ***He staying the decree is brought to the king.***  |

**2:24 Therefore Daniel went in to Arioch, whom the king had appointed to destroy the wise men of Babylon;
he went and said thus to him:**

**Don’t destroy the wise men of Babylon; bring me in before the king, and I will show to the king the** [**interpretation**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/interpret.html)**.**

**2:25 Then Arioch brought in Daniel before the king in haste, and said thus to him,**

**I have found a man of the** [**children**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/children.html) **of the captivity of** [**Judah**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/judah-tribe.html)**, who will make known to the king the** [**interpretation**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/interpret.html)**.**

**2:26 The king answered Daniel, whose name was Belteshazzar,**

**Are you able to make** [**known**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/know.html) **to me the** [**dream**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/dream.html) **which I have** [**seen**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/see.html)**, and its** [**interpretation**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/interpret.html)**?**

**2:27 Daniel answered before the king, and said,**

**The secret which the king has demanded can neither wise men, enchanters, magicians, nor soothsayers, show to the king;**

**2:28 but there is a** [**God**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/g-d.html) **in** [**heaven**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/heaven.html) **who** [**reveals**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/reveal.html) **secrets,
and he has made** [**known**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/know.html) **to the** [**king Nebuchadnezzar**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/nebuchadnezzar.html) **what shall be in the** [**latter days**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/last-days.html)**.
Your** [**dream**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/dream.html)**, and the** [**visions**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/vision.html) **of your head on your bed, are these:**

**2:29 as for you, O king, your** [**thoughts**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/thought.html) **came into your** [**mind**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/mind.html) **on your bed,
what should happen hereafter;
and he who** [**reveals**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/reveal.html) **secrets has made** [**known**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/know.html) **to you what shall happen.**

**2:30 But as for me, this secret is not revealed to me for any** [**wisdom**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/wisdom.html) **that I have more than any living,
but to the intent that the** [**interpretation**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/interpret.html) **may be made known to the king,
and that you may** [**know**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/know.html) **the** [**thoughts**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/thought.html) **of your** [**heart**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/heart.html)**.**

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| ***The dream.***  |

**2:31 You, O king, saw, and behold, a great** [**image**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/image.html)**.
This image, which was mighty, and whose brightness was excellent,
stood before you; and its aspect was awesome.**

**2:32 As for this** [**image**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/image.html)**,
its head was of fine gold,
its breast and its arms of silver,
its belly and its thighs of brass,**

**2:33 its legs of iron,
its feet part of iron, and part of clay.**

**2:34 You saw until a** [**stone**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/stone.html) **was cut out without hands,
which struck the** [**image**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/image.html) **on its feet that were of iron and clay,
and broke them in pieces.**

**2:35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold,
broken in pieces together,
and became like the chaff of the summer threshing floors;
and the wind carried them away,
so that no place was found for them:
and the** [**stone**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/stone.html) **that struck the** [**image**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/image.html) **became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.**

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| ***The interpretation.***  |

**2:36 This is the** [**dream**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/dream.html)**;
and we will tell its** [**interpretation**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/interpret.html) **before the king.**

**2:37 You, O** [**king**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/nebuchadnezzar.html)**, are king of kings, to whom the** [**God**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/g-d.html) **of** [**heaven**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/heaven.html) **has given the kingdom, the** [**power**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/power.html)**, and the strength, and the** [**glory**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/glory.html)**;**

**2:38 and wherever the** [**children**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/children.html) **of** [**men**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/man.html) **dwell,
the animals of the field
and the birds of the sky has he given into your hand,
and has made you to rule over them all:
you are the head of gold.**

**2:39 After you shall arise another kingdom inferior to you;
and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.**

**2:40 The fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron, because iron breaks in pieces and subdues all things;
and as iron that crushes all these, shall it break in pieces and crush.**

**2:41 Whereas you saw the feet and toes, part of potters’ clay, and part of iron,
it shall be a divided kingdom;
but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron,
because you saw the iron mixed with miry clay.**

**2:42 As the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay,
so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.**

**2:43 Whereas you saw the iron mixed with miry clay,
they shall mingle themselves with the seed of** [**men**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/man.html)**;
but they shall not cling to one another,
even as iron does not mingle with clay.**

**2:44 In the** [**days**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/day.html) **of those kings shall the** [**God**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/g-d.html) **of heaven set up
a kingdom which shall never be destroyed,
nor shall its sovereignty be left to another people;
but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms,
    and it shall stand forever.**

**2:45 Because you saw that a** [**stone**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/stone.html) **was cut out of the mountain without hands,
and that it broke in pieces
the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold;
the great** [**God**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/g-d.html) **has made** [**known**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/know.html) **to the king what shall happen hereafter:
and the** [**dream**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/dream.html) **is certain, and its** [**interpretation**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/interpret.html) **sure.**

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| ***Daniel's advancement.***  |

**2:46 Then the king** [**Nebuchadnezzar**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/nebuchadnezzar.html) **fell on his face, and** [**worshiped**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/worship.html)[**Daniel**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/study/daniel.html)**,
and commanded that they should offer an offering and sweet odors to him.**

**2:47 The king answered to Daniel, and said,**

**Of a** [**truth**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/truth.html) **your** [**God**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/g-d.html) **is the God of gods, and the Lord of kings,
and a** [**revealer**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/reveal.html) **of secrets,** [**seeing**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/see.html) **you have been able to reveal this secret.**

**2:48 Then the king made Daniel great,
and gave him many great** [**gifts**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/gift.html)**,
and made him to** [**rule**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/judging.html) **over the whole province of** [**Babylon**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/keywords/babylon.html)**,
and to be chief governor over all the wise men of Babylon.**

**2:49 Daniel requested of the king,
and he appointed Shadrach, Meshach, and** [**Abednego**](http://www.biblereferenceguide.com/topical/abednego.html)**,
over the affairs of the province of Babylon:
but Daniel was in the gate of the king.**