Daniel Study Guide

**Give 3 reasons why a 2nd century date has been advocated by some, then give reasons why those reasons are invalid.**

1. Assumption of no predictive prophecy – all prophecy is ex vaticum ex eventu  
 a. Predictive Prophecy is possible  
 2. Location in writings instead of prophets  
 a. Dating has nothing to do with location in Sacred Writings (Example is Job)  
 3. Porphry’s Statements (A.D. 233-234)  
 a. Porphyry’s statement is from a pagan and biased

**List the three Apocryphal additions to Daniel.**

1. Song of the Three Holy Children

2. Susanna

3. Bel and the Dragon

**Give 2 possible reasons why Daniel and his friends rejected the king’s food.**

1. Offered to idols   
 2. some of it could have been unclean foods  
  
Let’s work with their names!

1.  Daniel A. Shadrach

2.  Hananiah B.  Meshach

3.  Azariah C.  Belteshazzar

4.  Mishael D.  Abed-Nego

E.  God is my Judge

Draw me Nebby’s image.  Identify the metals and tell me what Empire they symbolized (at least Summa thinks so).

Head of Gold – babylon  
breast and Arms of Silver – Persian Empire  
Thighs of Brass – Greece  
Legs of Iron – Rome  
Feet and Toes of Iron and Clay – Rome mixing with Church & State  
  
**Who did Hippolytus identify as being the fourth figure in the fiery furnace?** Christ

**What disease did Nebuchadnezzar contract?  How long did he have it?**

Lycvanthropy/boanthropy – 7 seasons

**What does “Mene, Mene, Tekel, Upharsin” mean?  List two of Belshazzar’s sins.**

“You have been weighed on the scales and have been found lacking”  
 1. Calls for the artifacts out of the temple and using them as dinner trays and drinking from the cups  
 2. Praising the gods of gold and bronze

B**e able to give one suggestion to the identity of Darius the Mede** Cyrus the Great

**Why didn’t the king just rescue Daniel in Daniel 6?**

Because the law that was made was not able to be overturned by the King.

**How was Daniel preserved in the lion’s den?**

Angels closed the mouths of the lions  
  
**Was Daniel trying to get caught?** No

**Give me the 4 beasts of Daniel 7. What kingdoms do they symbolize?**

Lion with the Wings – Babylon  
 The great bear – Medes/Persians  
 Quick leopard – Greece  
 Great beast - Rome

**Who appears before the Ancient of Days to receive glory and honor?**  
 Son of Man - Messianic

**Identify the Two horned Ram, the He-goat, and the little horn who speaks blasphemous things in Daniel 8.**

Two-Horned Ram – The Medes and the Persians  
 He-goat – Alexander the Great  
 little horn – Antiacus Epiphenies

**When did Summa think the best start date for the 70 weeks of years was? The 69th week begins with what historical event? What event occurs on the 69 ½ week? What options are there for the last ½ week?**

Start Date: 458 B.C.

Historical event: The appearance of the Messiah

69 ½ week: Passover/ First Gospel of John

Options: future tribulation? Pushed to the Jewish revolt. The 31/2 years that we get the conversion of Paul and the beginning of the gentiles entering the church

**Who are the princes of Persia and Greece in chapter 10?**

Demonic forces?

**Who are the kings of the north throughout most of chapter 11? How about the kings of the south? Who might be the help of 11:34?**

North: Seleucids

South: Ptolemies

11:34: Herod the Great

**What key doctrine is found in Daniel 12:2?**

Final resurrection