

## Approx. Chronology of Daniel - by Chapters

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Dan 1	Jechoiakim of Judah	3rd yr	605	Reigned 609-598 BC; Dan 1 ~ 605	Dan 1:1
Dan 1	Nebuchadnezzar		605	Reigned 605-563 BC	Dan 1:1
			605-586	Conquest of Judah and Jerusalem	
			605	Daniel likely exiled ~605 [2]	Dan 1:3-4
			587-586	Siege of Jerusalem	
Dan 2	Nebuchadnezzar	2nd yr	603	Dream of statue [3]	Dan 2:1
Dan 3	Nebuchadnezzar			Gold image & fiery furnace	
Dan 4	Nebuchadnezzar			Dream of tree & living in wild	
Dan 5	Belshazzar [4]	17th yr	539	Party & writing on wall	Dan 5:31-32
Dan 6	Darius the Mede [5]		539	Satrap's trick & lion's den	
Dan 7	Belshazzar	1st yr	553	Vision of 4 beasts & judgment	Dan 7:1
Dan 8	Belshazzar	3rd yr	550	vision of ram & goat	Dan 8:1
Dan 9	Darius son of Xerxes, a Mede[6]	1st yr	539	Daniel's prayer	Dan 9:1
	Cyrus of Persia [7]	1st yr	539	End of Daniel's service (not life)	Dan 1:21
Dan 10	Cyrus of Persia	3rd yr	536	Vision of angel	Dan 10:1
Dan 11	Cyrus of Persia	3rd yr	536	Kingdoms and wars [8]	Dan 11:1
Dan 12	Cyrus of Persia	3rd yr	536	The End of Days (End Times)	Dan 12:1; 11:1

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- [1] Dates per Wikipedia, BSF, and other sources, or calculation therefrom
- [2] Exile was in waves, roughly 605, 597, 586, and 582 BC  
Daniel seems to have been exiled in the first wave
- [3] 2nd yr of of Neb likely means 2nd yr of his rule over Judea, therefore 2nd yr of Daniel's exile
- [4] Belshazzar regent & then king ~17 yrs, 553-539
- [5] Darius the Mede (a dynastic name) is probably Cyrus (a title)
- [6] There was a later Darius son of Xerxes ~465, but that's a different person
- [7] Cyrus the Great (Cyrus II) of Persia reigned 550-530
- [8] In 11:1 the angel is referring to what he did in 1st yr of Darius. It is not saying that this was that time nor that Daniel did these things then.

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**Approx. Chronology of Daniel - Timeline**

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