

LIVING HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

WORSHIP SERVICES

8:00 AM | 9:30AM | 11:30AM

June 9, 2024

PRELUDE

CALL TO WORSHIP

Pastor Chris Chi

SONGS OF PRAISE

Evan Lee

SCRIPTURE READING

Mike Chong

MESSAGE

The Book of Daniel – Faith for Exiles
“For Beasts and a Throne”

Daniel 7-8

Pastor Steve Chang

OUTREACH FOCUS

SONGS OF REFLECTION AND OFFERING

CLOSING PRAYER

Pastor Steve Chang

SPY⁺ ACADEMY

LHCC VBS 2024

JUNE 18TH - 21ST



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APR. 13, MAY 11, JUN. 15

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. College Grad Welcome | June

Prime Ministry (single adults) welcomes new college grads! We have several events planned to get to know you and help you get plugged into our singles community in the summer. Follow us on Instagram @lhcc.prime, then consider joining us for:

- Lunch & Bowling with Primers 6/9 (Sun) 1pm @ TBD
- First Cell Begins on 6/23 (Sun) 1pm @ Chapel 1

Please contact Pastor James Lee (james.lee@livinghopecc.org) for location details or any other assistance. We also offer a special discount for new grads only for our bi-annual retreat!

2. Youth Missions Lunch Sale | Today

Please help send our two student teams to Honduras and Skid Row! Spam Musubi Lunch sales will be in the Porch after 9:30 and 11:30 service.

3. Neighbor's Pantry | Jun 15

Neighbor's Pantry is an opportunity for us as a church family to share the love of Christ with our neighbors. Back in Nov and Dec, we gave away 150 turkeys! We hope to do more this year as we meet every 2nd Saturday of each month at the church, and we are looking for volunteers to assist with the upcoming giveaway next Saturday. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Albert Kae (albert.kae@livinghopecc.org).

4. Prime First Cell | Jun – Aug

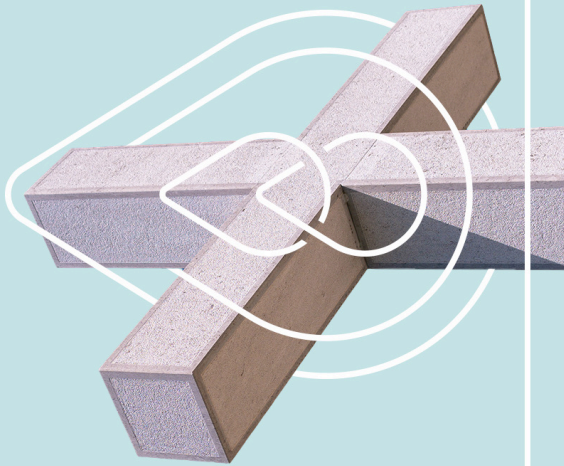
Attention all single adults in our Prime group! Starting Sunday, June 23rd, we're launching our Summer First Cell for Single Adults. Get ready to dive deep into community, connect with God, and discover your purpose alongside like-minded individuals here at Living Hope. It's your chance to forge meaningful connections, explore the Bible, dive into prayer, engage in serving experiences, share your stories, and adopt essential rhythms for a healthy spiritual life, all in the company of supportive peers. This summer, don't miss out on the opportunity to grow, connect, and thrive. Join us as we embark on this journey together!

[FIRST CELL PRIME SIGN UP FORM](#)

5. Baptism | Jul 7

If you are a believer but have never professed your faith publicly through baptism, we urge you to do so on July 7. The required class will be on Sunday, June 23rd from 10:45 - 11:30 am. Please visit our website to register for the class. The last day to sign up is June 22nd. [Baptism Sign Up Page](#)

BAPTISM



Prime Summer

FIRST CELL

Where community starts at Living Hope

STARTS JUNE 23



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SERMON NOTES

The Book of Daniel – Faith for Exiles “For Beasts and a Throne”

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I. The Visions (What Daniel saw)

II. The Visions Explained (What Daniel heard)

1) The First Beast

2) The Second Beast

3) The Third Beast

4) The Fourth Beast

5) The Little Horn

I. The Ending

Daniel 7

Vision of the Four Beasts & the Little Horn (7:1-8)

- 7:1 In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon, Daniel saw a dream and visions of his head as he lay in his bed. Then he wrote down the dream and told the sum of the matter. 2 Daniel declared, "I saw in my vision by night, and behold, the four winds of heaven were stirring up the great sea. 3 And four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another.
- 7:4 The first was **like a lion** and had eagles' wings. Then as I looked its wings were plucked off, and it was lifted up from the ground and made to stand on two feet like a man, and the mind of a man was given to it.
- 7:5 And behold, another beast, a second one, **like a bear**. It was raised up on one side. It had three ribs in its mouth between its teeth; and it was told, 'Arise, devour much flesh.'
- 7:6 After this I looked, and behold, another, **like a leopard**, with four wings of a bird on its back. And the beast had four heads, and dominion was given to it.
- 7:7 After this I saw in the night visions, and behold, **a fourth beast, terrifying and dreadful** and exceedingly strong. It had great iron teeth; it devoured and broke in pieces and stamped what was left with its feet. It was different from all the beasts that were before it, and it had ten horns.
- 7:8 I considered the horns, and behold, there came up among them **another horn, a little one**, before which three of the first horns were plucked up by the roots. And behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking great things.

Vision of the Ancient of Days & the Son of Man (7:9-14)

- 7:9 "As I looked, thrones were placed, and the **Ancient of Days** took his seat; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire. 10 A stream of fire issued and came out from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. 11 "I looked then because of the sound of the great words that the horn was speaking. And as I looked, the beast was killed, and its body destroyed and given over to be burned with fire. 12 As for the rest of the beasts, their dominion was taken away, but their lives were prolonged for a season and a time.
- 7:13 "I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like **a son of man**, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. 14 And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an

everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

Vision Explained (7:15-27)

- 7:15 “As for me, Daniel, my spirit within me was anxious, and the visions of my head alarmed me. 16 I approached one of those who stood there and asked him the truth concerning all this. So he told me and made known to me the interpretation of the things. 17 ‘These four great beasts are four kings who shall arise out of the earth. 18 But the **saints of the Most High** shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever, forever and ever.’
- 7:19 “Then I desired to know the truth about the fourth beast, which was different from all the rest, exceedingly terrifying, with its teeth of iron and claws of bronze, and which devoured and broke in pieces and stamped what was left with its feet, 20 and about the ten horns that were on its head, and the other horn that came up and before which three of them fell, the horn that had eyes and a mouth that spoke great things, and that seemed greater than its companions. 21 As I looked, this horn made war with the saints and prevailed over them, 22 until the Ancient of Days came, and judgment was given for the saints of the Most High, and the time came when the saints possessed the kingdom.
- 7:23 “Thus he said: ‘As for the **fourth beast**, there shall be a fourth kingdom on earth, which shall be different from all the kingdoms, and it shall devour the whole earth, and trample it down, and break it to pieces.
- 7:24 As for the **ten horns**, out of this kingdom ten kings shall arise, and **another** shall arise after them; he shall be different from the former ones, and shall put down three kings. 25 He shall speak words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the Most High, and shall think to change the times and the law; and they shall be given into his hand for a time, times, and half a time. 26 But the court shall sit in judgment, and his dominion shall be taken away, to be consumed and destroyed to the end. 27 And the kingdom and the dominion and the greatness of the kingdoms under the whole heaven shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High; his kingdom shall be an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.’
- 7:28 “Here is the end of the matter. As for me, Daniel, my thoughts greatly alarmed me, and my color changed, but I kept the matter in my heart.”

Daniel 8

Vision of the Ram, Goat & Little Horn (8:1-14)

8:1 In the third year of the reign of King Belshazzar a vision appeared to me, Daniel, after that which appeared to me at the first. 2 And I saw in the vision; and when I saw, I was in Susa the citadel, which is in the province of Elam. And I saw in the vision, and I was at the Ulai canal. 3 I raised my eyes and saw, and behold, **a ram** standing on the bank of the canal. It had two horns, and both horns were high, but one was higher than the other, and the higher one came up last. 4 I saw the ram charging westward and northward and southward. No beast could stand before him, and there was no one who could rescue from his power. He did as he pleased and became great.

8:5 As I was considering, behold, **a male goat** came from the west across the face of the whole earth, without touching the ground. And the goat had a conspicuous horn between his eyes. 6 He came to the ram with the two horns, which I had seen standing on the bank of the canal, and he ran at him in his powerful wrath. 7 I saw him come close to the ram, and he was enraged against him and struck the ram and broke his two horns. And the ram had no power to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground and trampled on him. And there was no one who could rescue the ram from his power. 8 Then the goat became exceedingly great, but when he was strong, the great horn was broken, and instead of it there came up four conspicuous horns toward the four winds of heaven.

8:9 Out of one of them came **a little horn**, which grew exceedingly great toward the south, toward the east, and toward the glorious land. 10 It grew great, even to the host of heaven. And some of the host and some of the stars it threw down to the ground and trampled on them. 11 It became great, even as great as the Prince of the host. And the regular burnt offering was taken away from him, and the place of his sanctuary was overthrown. 12 And a host will be given over to it together with the regular burnt offering because of transgression, and it will throw truth to the ground, and it will act and prosper. 13 Then I heard a holy one speaking, and another holy one said to the one who spoke, "For how long is the vision concerning the regular burnt offering, the transgression that makes desolate, and the giving over of the sanctuary and host to be trampled underfoot?" 14 And he said to me, "For 2,300 evenings and mornings. Then the sanctuary shall be restored to its rightful state."

Vision Explained (8:15-26)

8:15 When I, Daniel, had seen the vision, I sought to understand it. And behold, there stood before me one having the appearance of a man. 16 And I heard a man's voice between the banks of the Ulai, and it called, "Gabriel, make this man understand the vision." 17 So he came near

where I stood. And when he came, I was frightened and fell on my face. But he said to me, “Understand, O son of man, that the vision is for the time of the end.”

- 8:18 And when he had spoken to me, I fell into a deep sleep with my face to the ground. But he touched me and made me stand up. 19 He said, “Behold, I will make known to you what shall be at the latter end of the indignation, for it refers to the appointed time of the end.
- 8:20 As for the **ram** that you saw with the two horns, these are the kings of Media and Persia. 21 And the **goat** is the king of Greece. And the great horn between his eyes is the first king.
- 8:22 As for the horn that was broken, in place of which four others arose, four kingdoms shall arise from his nation, but not with his power. 23 And at the latter end of their kingdom, when the transgressors have reached their limit, **a king of bold face**, one who understands riddles, shall arise. 24 His power shall be great—but not by his own power; and he shall cause fearful destruction and shall succeed in what he does, and destroy mighty men and the people who are the saints. 25 By his cunning he shall make deceit prosper under his hand, and in his own mind he shall become great. Without warning he shall destroy many. And he shall even rise up against the Prince of princes, and he shall be broken—but by no human hand. 26 The vision of the evenings and the mornings that has been told is true, but seal up the vision, for it refers to many days from now.”
- 8:27 And I, Daniel, was overcome and lay sick for some days. Then I rose and went about the king's business, but I was appalled by the vision and did not understand it.

Chronology	BABYLONIAN EMPIRE (Daniel 1-5)		MEDO-PERSION EMPIRE (Daniel 6)
Ruler	Nebuchadnezzar (1-4)	Belshazzar (5)	Cyrus / Darius (6)
Stories	Diet (1) Fiery Furnace (3)	Writing on the Wall (5)	Lion's Den (6)
Visions	Statute (2) Tree (4)	Four Beasts (7) Two Beasts (8)	Seventy Weeks (9) Man (10-12)