

it, and therefore, if you believe it is a divine book, it cannot be the same little horn. So now we have a little horn here, and what I have just been saying is argument against the critical view that this is A.E., but let's leave that aside for awhile. Let's take the critical view for a minute, and consider it. Suppose this is A.E., suppose the difficulties about the four~~d~~ and the~~n~~ ten it comes out of are laid aside, and suppose that the matter~~f~~ of whether this is the Hellenistic empire is forgotten for the moment, what comes after the little horn? Here we read in ch.7 that there was a little horn which plucked up three other horns, and in this horn were eyes like the eyes of a man, and a mouth speaking great things. And then he says, in v.21, I beheld in the same~~/~~ horn, made war against the saints, and prevailed against them, well A.E. did for quite a while, but then he says in v.22, Until the Ancient of Days and judgment was given to the saints of the most high, and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom. Well, the Jews revolted against A.E., won their freedom, and the saints possessed the kingdom, so that is alright thus far, v.22 could fit ~~/~~ A.E. But, now, v.9, I beheld till thrones were cast down, That's right. Simon Maccabeaus drove out A.E. and his officers, cast down their thrones, but then what happened, The Ancient of Days did this. That's not Simon Maccabaeus. He was a young fellow. The Ancient of Days did sit. His garment was white as snow, and the hair on his head like pure wool. That's certainly not A.E., and his throne was like a fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire, and the fiery stream issued and came forth from before him. Thousand thousands ministered unto him. Ten Thousands times ten thousand stood before him. Judgment was set. Books were opened. I beheld then because of the ~~great~~ voice of the great words which the horn spake, and I beheld even till the ~~beast~~ was slain, and his body destroyed and given to the burning flame. And now, the beast isn't just a little horn. It is a whole beast. It is the whole empire, of course. And concerning the rest of the beast, they had their dominions taken away, and their lives were prolonged for a season and a time, and I saw in the night vision, and behold, one like the son of Man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of Days