

## **“THE RAM AND THE GOAT”**

1. Tell about when your favorite team was the underdog and they won!
2. When you think of people butting heads like two rams, what sport comes to mind? What do you like, and not like, about such violent contact sports?

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3. What does it matter when (before the events of chapter 5) and where (in the mind of Daniel) this vision actually takes place?

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4. What about this vision makes you wince and rub your forehead?

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5. What does the two-horned ram represent (vv.3,20)? The goat and prominent horn (vv.5,21)?

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6. What do the charging animals, the shattering of the two horns, and the breaking off of the large horn represent (vv.7-8)?

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7. What other "little horn" does the emerging horn in verse 9 bring to mind (see 7:8,11)? How is this one different in origin, nature and destiny? How is it similar in its overwhelming pride?

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8. Does Daniel's prophecy strike you as history written beforehand or after the fact? Why?

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9. When have you been dismayed over: (a) Something God revealed to you? (b) Some triumph of evil or good?

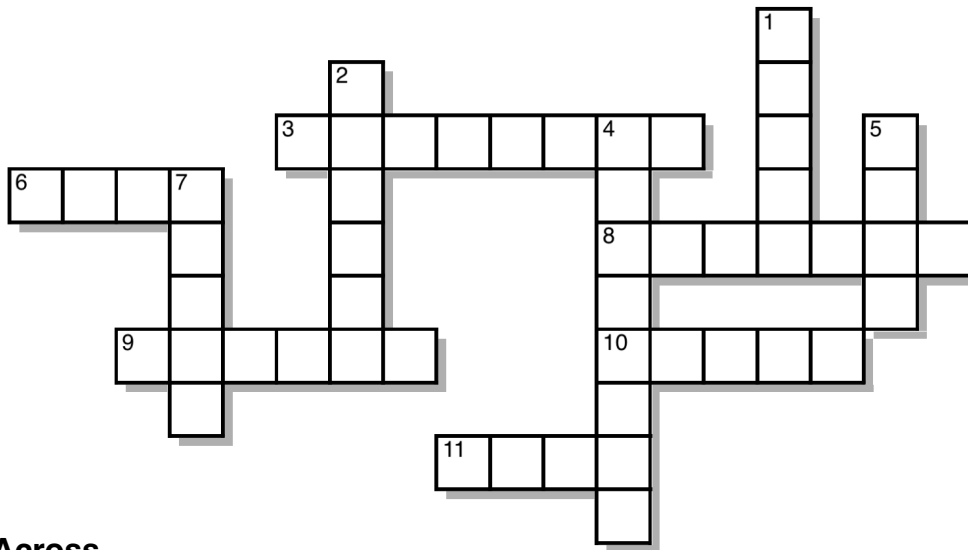
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10. The study of Daniel's prophecies often produces more heat than light. How do you relate to other Christians who favor an interpretation that differs from yours?

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11. Where have you seen God active in "ram-butting," violent world affairs?

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12. What across-the-board standards might God use to judge nations today: Religious freedom? Human rights? Economic justice?

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**Down**

1 Daniel saw a ram with two \_\_\_\_\_.

2 The goat represented the kingdom of \_\_\_\_\_.

4 What is the one direction the ram did not push (v.4)?

5 The name of the river in Daniel's vision.

7 This third vision came in the \_\_\_\_\_ year of the reign of King Belshazzar.

**Across**

3 After the goat cast the ram to the ground, he did this to him. (v.7)

6 A goat came from this direction? (v.5)

8 To what city was Daniel transported in his vision?

9 After the goat grew very great and storm, its large horn became this. (v.8)

10 The goat's replacement horns came up toward the four \_\_\_\_\_ of heaven. (v.8)

11 How many horns replace the goat's single horn?

**WORD SEARCH:**

Belshazzar	Deliver
Vision	Will
Daniel	River
Citadel	Ram
Elam	Goat
Eyes	Horn
Standing	Furious
Two	Power
Higher	Rage
Westward	Attacked
Northward	Heaven
Southward	

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