INTRO: This is one of the most amazing chapters in the Bible. God allowed a pagan king to dream a dream that, when properly interpreted, looked centuries into the future, and in clear and precise terms foretold world empires that were to arise over the next several hundred years, and set the time-frame for the establishment of God’s Messianic kingdom.

I. MISSION IMPOSSIBLE, vs.1-13.

II. WITH GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE, vs. 14-23.

III. THE DREAM REVEALED, vs. 24-36.

IV. THE INTERPRETATION OF THE DREAM, vs. 37-45.
   Note: “without hands” = not physical or temporal.
   See MK 14:58; Acts 7:48; 2 Cor. 5:1; Col. 2:11; Heb. 9:11, 24
   A. Head of gold = Babylon, 2:38
   B. Chest & arms of silver = Persia, 5:28
   C. Belly & thighs of bronze = Greece, 8:21
   D. Legs & feet of iron & clay = Rome.
   E. “Without hands” = spiritual, not physical or temporal.
      MK 14:58; Acts 7:48; 2 Cor. 5:1; Col. 2:11; Heb 9:11, 24

V. GOD IS PRAISED & HIS SERVANTS PROMOTED,
   vs. 46-49

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