

The Son of Man & the End of Monsters (Daniel 7)

How can we cope in a chaotic world?

Daniel 7-12: **apocalyptic!**

- How it works

- Why knowing the genre matters

(Also see accompanying handout 'Rules of thumb...')

1. Monsters will arise...

What does Daniel see?

Where do they come from?

What do fallen kingdoms look like?

Why do they look that way?

Creation gone wrong

Do these beasts correspond to any present-day kingdom?

Letting Scripture interpret Scripture
What is the main point of this opening section?

2. ...but the Son of Man rules...

A split screen – glimpse into another reality

The Ancient of Days

The setting

The figure of verses 13-14

- **One like a Son of Man!**
- **Come from the clouds!**

How do I know this heavenly reality is true?

3. ...even in the toughest of times.

The 4th beast and then there's this guy... (Mark 1:15, 2:5, 10:45, 14:62)

When does the Son of Man actually receive power and dominion?
Look again at the throne room vision

The now and not yet

Times will be tough! (v.19-25) ...but don't lose sight of the bigger picture

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