

the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together...and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth." That's the dream. Now here's the interpretation. What about this head of gold? I heard of a fine Christian the other day who said, This dream of Nebudhadnezzar is a dream of four great kings, and they are all four yet to come, and it is a dream of the end times. Everything in it is still future today. Is that a possible interpretation of this dream? Why not? It explicitly says, "Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the God of heaven has given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory. And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given ~~it~~ into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. Thou art this head of gold." So Nebu. is the head of gold. Now then what ~~is~~ does the next part mean? Is the next part another king? How many would say the next part is another king? Raise your hand. Another king? The head is of fine gold the breast and the arms of silver. Is ~~that~~ another king? What does he say, v.39? Kingdom, doesn't he. It is not another king~~s~~. It is a kingdom. Well, what ~~does~~ does that tell you about the first part, then? Does this mean that ~~Nebo~~ Nebu is the first and the next one is his son? And the next his grandson? It is quite clear that they are kingdoms rather than kings. So all that succeed Nebu that are in the same kingdom are included in the head of gold. Mr. Mezner?.....AAM: I think that we would say that a kingdom, a realm, perhaps, could be referred to as a king, thinking of its most important king. I doubt if you would call it a kingdom, if you were just referring to individual kings. Perhaps you could refer to a kingdom with reference to the individual kings. I don't know. That's just a possibility that occurred to me. But at any rate, it does say kingdom in the next case, here. He says to Nebuchadrezzar, ~~after~~ "After you shall rise another kingdom inferior to you, and another third kingdom of brass which shall bear rule over all the earth, and the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron. Now Nebu was succeeded by his young son, who was unable to, didn't amount to much, and was soon put out of the way, and a great general took over, Neroglisser, and he became king.