## <u>#39 The Legs of Iron – Diocletian's Split, part 2, Diocletian retires to Split, part a</u>

Daniel 2:40 (KJV) And THE FOURTH KINGDOM SHALL BE STRONG AS IRON [the Legs of Iron Roman Empire]: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.

Diocletian's Split, which began the dividing of the Roman Empire into East and West, represented the beginning of the fulfillment of prophecy of the two Legs of Iron of Daniel 2:40. The eventual *official* Split of the Roman Empire occurred roughly 100 years later in 395 A.D.

Key Understanding: *Diocletian and the city of Split.* In order to verify and clarify that Diocletian's Split was the beginning of the fulfillment of the 'divided' Legs of Iron of the Roman Empire, <u>the Lord ordained that</u> <u>Diocletian would retire to his palace</u>



Split, Croatia

that he had constructed at *Split*, which was located in what is the present day country of Croatia, on the Adriatic Sea.

Here is **#39–Doc 1**, which shows the location of Split.

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In the year 304 A.D., Diocletian fell gravely ill. Diocletian compelled the Western emperor Maximian to follow his example and they stepped aside on May 1, 305 A.D. Galerius and Constantius then succeeded as the augusti, and new caesars were appointed.

**Diocletian then retired to the magnificent fortified palace he had built at what would become the site of Split.** [Split was part of Yugoslavia while it existed as a nation. In the times of Rome and Diocletian, this region was called Dalmatia.]



Diocletian's Palace at Split

Diocletian's Palace at Split was constructed between 293-305 A.D., and today is the best preserved palace of its antiquity in the world.

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