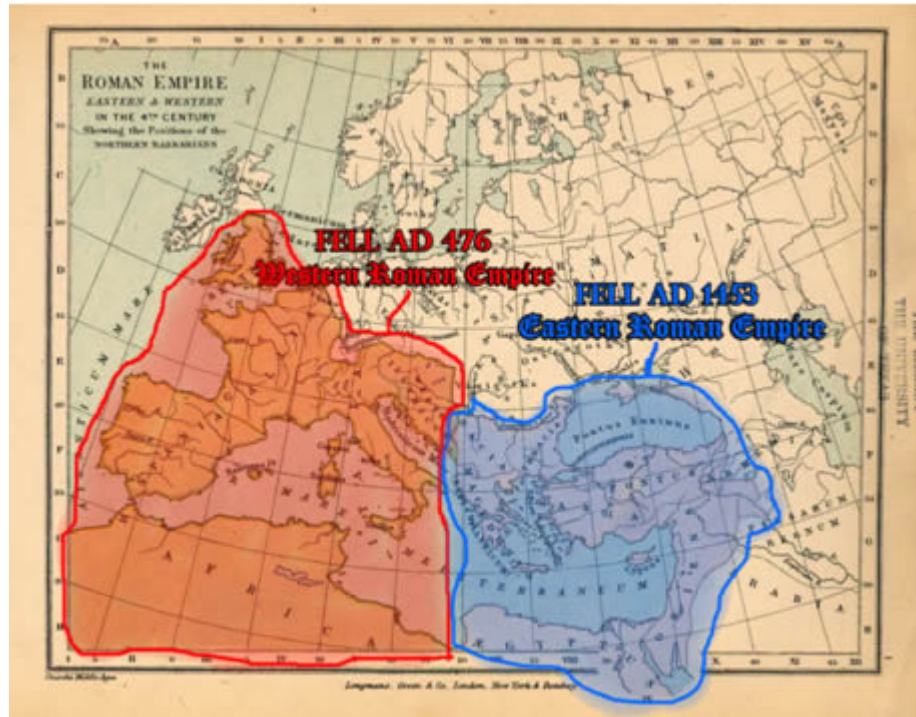


#43 The Legs of Iron – The End of the Western Roman Empire, and the End of the Eastern Roman Empire

The Western Roman Empire is considered to have met its end in 476 A.D.

The Eastern Roman Empire, or Byzantine Empire, met its end in 1453 A.D.

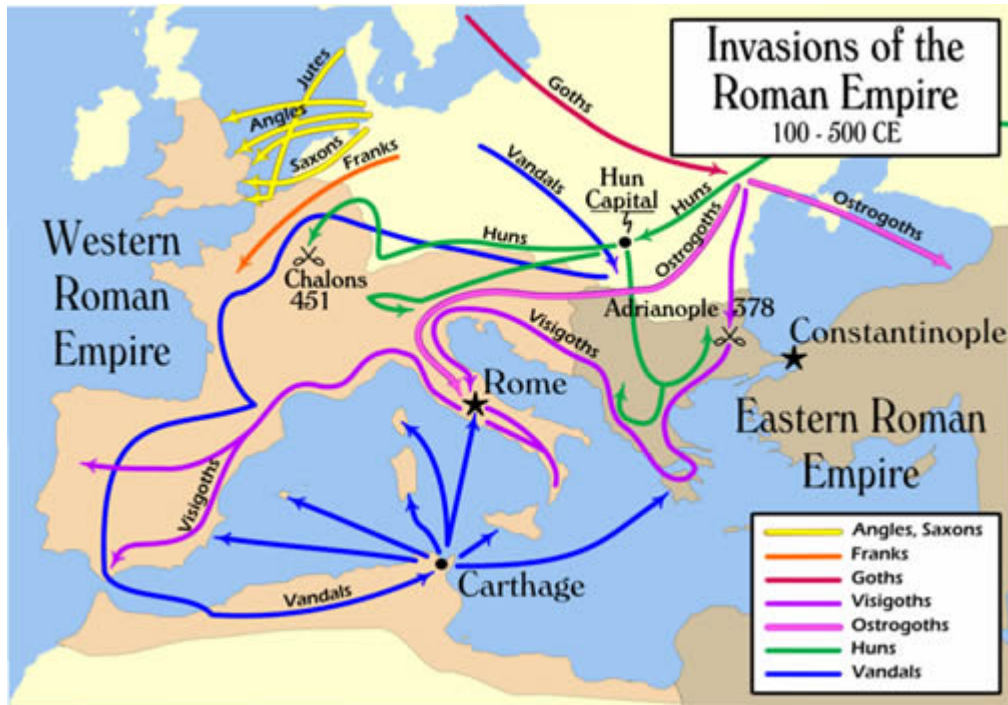
Daniel 2:40 (KJV)
And THE FOURTH KINGDOM SHALL BE STRONG AS IRON [the Legs of Iron Roman Empire, extending through the Western Roman Empire, which ended in 476 A.D., and the Eastern Roman Empire, which ended in 1453 A.D.]: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.



Key Understanding: *It seems as if the Legs of Iron should be depicted as stumps. Because of the End of the Western Roman Empire in 476 A.D., and the End of the Eastern Roman Empire in 1453 A.D., it seems as though the Legs of Iron of the Roman Empire should be depicted as stumps, for they have seemingly been cut off. For this reason, historically, all attempts at prophetically understanding and explaining the extension of the Legs of Iron into the Daniel 2:41 Divided Kingdom Feet and Toes have been stymied. No one in the past 2500 years has properly understood and explained the continuation of the Roman Empire from the Legs of Iron into the Feet and Toes.*

Daniel 2:41-42 (KJV) And whereas thou sawest **THE FEET AND TOES** [of the Roman Empire], part of potters' clay, and part of iron, **THE KINGDOM SHALL BE DIVIDED;** but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

42 And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so **the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.**



The map *above* illustrates the invasions of the Roman Empire from 100-500 A.D. The map *below* shows the formation of the European states after the fall of the Western Roman Empire in 476 A.D. The Eastern Roman Empire, or Byzantine Empire, remained.



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