

Old Book for a New Day

Seminar on the Bible book of Daniel - #15

Daniel 12 - *The End of the Matter*

- I. The Rest of the Story - Daniel 12:1-3 - The final portion of the explanation begun in 11:2 - FUTURE
 - A. "At that time" - see 11:44,45 - When revived apostate religious/political establishment (King of the North) seeks to destroy and annihilate God's faithful people, but suddenly comes to his end
 - B. "Michael stands up"
 1. God and the court "was seated" in judgment to judge the Little Horn - 7:9-11
 2. Standing up signifies the end of judgment - Revelation 19:11
 3. God, and his agencies, now move out to bring an END to evil and evildoers
 - C. Time of trouble - See 11:44; 1 Peter 4:12,13 (1051); Jeremiah 30:7 (681); Matthew 24:21 (857)
 - D. "Your people shall be delivered"
 1. "Your people" = Jews - Spiritually applied in the End Time = God's faithful ones from all ethnic background in all geographical locations - See Revelation 7
 2. Deliverance
 - a. Kingdom of Stone arrives - Daniel 2
 - b. Beast slain, kingdom given to Christ and His saints - Daniel 7:11-14,26-27
 3. "Written in the book" = Book of Life
Philippians 4:3 (1018); Revelation 3:5; 13:8; 20:12,15; 22:19
 - E. "Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake..."
 1. Sleep in the dust = DEAD -
 2. Awake - Resurrection - John 5:28,29 (923); 11:24-26 (931); 1 Corinthians 15:20-23; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 (1024); Revelation 20:5,6 (1072)
 3. Many - Not all
 - a. Some to everlasting life - Resurrection of LIFE
 - b. Some to shame - "Special" resurrection - Matthew 26:63,64 (861)
 - c. Revelation speaks of a 2nd resurrection yet to come - 20:5,6,13
 - F. Full and final vindication of the Saints
 1. Those cast down by Little Horn are lifted up and given the Kingdom - 7:27; 8:10,24; 11:33
 2. The righteous SHINE - Matthew 13:43 (846); 2 Thessalonians 1:10 (1025); 1 Corinthians 15:51-54 (998)
 - a. The wise - John 8:32 (927); 2 Thessalonians 2:9-12 (1025)
 - b. Turn many to righteousness - Matthew 24:14 (857); 28:19,20 (864); Acts 1:8 (942)

II. The Closed Book - Daniel 12:4-10 - Until the time of the end - 8:17,19; 11:40; 12:9; See study #15

A. Shut and seal the book

1. The book = Daniel - That which God revealed to Daniel
2. Shut and seal = Knowledge of the contents to be withheld until the "time of the end"
3. Daniel did not understand - v.8,9; 1 Peter 1:10-12 (1048)

B. Many shall run to and fro

1. Run to and fro - Signifies an earnest and diligent searching
2 Chronicles 16:9 (388); Amos 8:12 (797); Jeremiah 5:1 (655); Zechariah 4:10 (819)
2. Context - "In the pages of the book"
3. When - When it is unsealed in the "time of the end"
4. Knowledge shall increase - Literally "the knowledge" - Understanding of Daniel's prophecies
See Revelation 10 (1066)

C. Daniel eavesdrops on a supernatural conversation - 8:13

1. One clothed in linen = Christ - 10:5,6; Revelation 1:13-16 (1060) - See Study #13
2. Above the waters of the river - 8:16
2. The question - "Until when" will these things be fulfilled? - 8:13
3. Raised hands and swore by God Almighty - Revelation 10:1-7 (1066)
4. The answer - "3½ times" = 1260 year reign of Little Horn - 538-1798 - 7:25; See Study #9
 - a. Then comes time for judgment and vindication - 7:9-14,26-27
 - b. Then "all these things shall be finished"
 - c. 1798 to 2nd Coming = Time of the end - Time of final things - Time of judgment

D. Daniel wants more

1. NO! This knowledge is not to be available until the time of the end WHEN...
2. Time of Maturing
 - a. Preparation of the harvest - Both of good and evil
Matthew 13:24-30,36-43 (845); Revelation 14:14-20 (1069)
 - b. Separation of sheep and goats - Matthew 25:31-33 (859) - No SHOATS
 - c. Final polarization - Revelation 22:11 (1074)
3. Only TWO sides - Both fully committed
 - a. The SAVED - Purified, made white and refined = Matured by fires of persecution
1 Peter 4:12,13 (1051); Revelation 7:13 (1064); 19:6-9
 - b. The LOST - Wicked do wickedly - Matured to full rebellion
4. Who will understand the meaning of Daniel when it is unsealed in the time of the end?
 - a. NONE of the wicked - Those unwilling to commit are unable to discern
1 Corinthians 2:14-16 (988); Romans 8:7 (979)
 - b. The wise SHALL understand - Daniel CAN be deciphered - John 7:17 (926)

III. Two Mysterious "Last Minute" Time Prophecies - Daniel 12:11,12

- A. The 1290 days - Wording relates to "Little Horn" issues - 8:11,12; 11:31
1. Literally - "And from the time of the taking away of the continual (*tamid*), in order to set up the abomination..."
 2. Illude to some event that would precede and make possible the setting up of the abomination.
 3. Thus the 1290 may relate to the 1260 - the 3½ times of Daniel 7:25 and 12:7 - See Study #9
Revelation 11:2,3; 12:6,14; 13:5
 - a. The 1260 year rule of the Little Horn power - 538-1798
 - b. The 1290 could point to a significant event 30 years earlier
 4. 508 - Clovis, king of the Franks, was designated the first "Catholic" prince, or civil defender of the universal church, and received the consulship from the eastern emperor, making way for the military defeat of the Arian powers and the establishment of the civil power of the Papacy in 538.
- B. The 1335 days - To culminate with a "blessed" or happy experience
1. The context strongly supports an interrelationship of the 1290 and 1335.
 2. "Waits" - this time period seems to extend slightly beyond the 1290 days.
 3. If the 1335 begins the same time as the 1290 (508), it reaches 1843, one year short of 2300.
 4. Revelation 10 will provides additional necessary data to understand the significance of 1843.
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| 508 | 538 | | 1798 | 1843 |
| | ↓ | <----- 1260 Years -----> | ↓ | |
| ↓ | | <----- 1290 Years -----> | ↓ | |
| | | <----- 1335 Years -----> | | ↓ |
- C. "You...will arise to your inheritance at the end of the days."
1. Daniel's request for more "prophetic" understanding of the future is denied - v.8,9
 2. Daniel's ultimate "prophetic" destiny is assured - 1 Peter 1:3-5 (1048); 1 John 5:11-13 (1057)

VI. SUMMARY of Daniel

- A. Conceptual overview - Trouble till the end, but ultimate VICTORY is guaranteed!
1. Those who endure to the end WILL be saved - Matthew 24:13 (857)
 2. Tribulation in this world, but PEACE in Jesus - John 16:33 (937)
"Be of good cheer, I have overcome the world!"
- B. Prophetic overview - Chart combining the prophetic scenarios of Daniel



