

Blessings to Israel Ministries

PREPARING FOR THE HOLY CITY

Then I, John, saw the holy city, New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. – Revelation 21:2

BIBLE STUDY – LESSON 4 SUBJECT: TRIBULATION – PART 1 DECEMBER 11, 2009

1. Daniel Chapter 12

1.1. Prophecy of the End Time (Verses 1-13)

1.1.1. Verses 1 Notes

- 1.1.1.1. Michael is the archangel with the special purpose of guarding Israel
- 1.1.1.2. Michael led the angels in the battle that casted Satan out of heaven (**Revelation 12:7-9**)
- 1.1.1.3. Michael fought the devil for the body of Moses (**Jude 1:9**)
- 1.1.1.4. Michael referred to as chief prince (**Daniel 10:13; Daniel 10:21**)
- 1.1.1.5. The sons of your people refers to people of Israel
- 1.1.1.6. “Time of trouble” is the Great Tribulation
- 1.1.1.7. “Time of trouble” is also called “time of Jacob’s trouble” (**Jeremiah 30:7**)
- 1.1.1.8. Nation refers to Israel. This will be the worse time period ever for them.
- 1.1.1.9. Those that accept Christ as Savior during this time will be written in the Book of Life and delivered. (**Revelation 3:5, 21:27**)

1.1.2. Verse 2 Notes

- 1.1.2.1. Refers to the resurrection. Old Testament saints will rise, then those who became Christians and were killed during the Tribulation will be resurrected to eternal life (**Revelation 20:12**).
- 1.1.2.2. Jews & Gentiles who never accepted Christ will rise from the dead at the end of the 1000 year reign of Christ for punishment (**Revelation 20:15**)
- 1.1.2.3. Church Age saints were resurrected before the Tribulation (**1 Thessalonians 4:13-18**)

1.1.3. Verse 3 Notes

- 1.1.3.1. Firmament means *The vault or expanse of the heavens; the sky*
- 1.1.3.2. After the Tribulation when the saved enter the Millennial Kingdom, they will have a physical glow that shines like the sky on a sunny day
- 1.1.3.3. Those that lead the most to Christ will shine the brightest

1.1.4. Verse 4 Notes

- 1.1.4.1. Daniel is told to seal up the prophecy until the time for it to be revealed
- 1.1.4.2. Indicators of the time are: fast, frequent travel & increase of knowledge

1.1.5. Verses 5-7 Notes

- 1.1.5.1. Daniel is on a riverbank in this vision (**Daniel 10:4**). He sees two angels on opposite sides of the riverbank.
- 1.1.5.2. One angel speaks to the other so that Daniel will hear the answer
- 1.1.5.3. One angel is walking on the water of the river

- 1.1.5.4. Time, Times, half a time is 3 ½ years (**Daniel 7:25; Revelation 11:2-3; Revelation 12:6; Revelation 12:14; Daniel 9:27**)
- 1.1.5.5. Refers to the last half of the Tribulation, known as the Great Tribulation
- 1.1.5.6. Power of the holy people refers to nation of Israel. Once they are completely powerless and shattered, Jesus will return to rescue them from the Antichrist.

1.1.6. Verses 8-9 Notes

- 1.1.6.1. Daniel did not understand but the Lord would not explain it to him. Daniel was instructed to go on his way for the words are sealed until the time of the end.

1.1.7. Verse 10 Notes

- 1.1.7.1. Many will be purified as born again Christians. Most of these will be Jews (**Daniel 11:35**)
- 1.1.7.2. Only one-third of the Jews will survive. This remnant will be purified/refined (**Zechariah 13:9**)
- 1.1.7.3. The wise will understand

1.1.8. Verse 11 Notes

- 1.1.8.1. The abomination of desolation is when the Antichrist stops temple sacrifices and declares himself god (**Daniel 9:27; Daniel 11:31; Matthew 24:15**)
- 1.1.8.2. 1290 days is 30 more than the 1260 days in **Revelation 11:3**. It could mean 30 days to setup the earthly kingdom/government of Jesus.

1.1.9. Verse 12 Notes

- 1.1.9.1. 1335 days is 45 more than the 1290 days in the previous verse. This is a mystery but could be a 45 day judgment period for those that survived the Tribulation (**Matthew 25:31-46** – The sheep/goat judgment).

1.1.10. Verse 13 Notes

- 1.1.10.1. The Lord tells Daniel not worry about the meaning of all of this.
- 1.1.10.2. Daniel will die before these events are fulfilled.
- 1.1.10.3. Upon fulfillment of the prophecy, Daniel will be resurrected to receive his inheritance (reward) along with the other Old Testament saints.