

DISCOVER PROPHECY



Homeward Bound

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A Vision of Great Conflict

"A message was revealed to Daniel, who was named Belteshazzar; and the message was true and one of great conflict, but he understood the message and had an understanding of the vision." Daniel 10:1

Daniel's Special Visitors

Daniel 10:2-9

"Such was the appearance of the likeness of the glory of the Lord. And when I saw it, I fell on my face and heard a voice speaking." Ezekiel 1:28

"When I saw Him, I fell at His feet like a dead man. And He placed His right hand on me, saying, 'Do not be afraid; I am the first and the last, and the living One; and I was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of death and of Hades.'" Revelation 1:17-18.

A Spiritual Conflict

Daniel 10:10-14

"Then he said, 'Do you understand why I came to you? But I shall now return to fight against the prince of Persia; so I am going forth, and behold, the prince of Greece is about to come. However, I will tell you what is inscribed in the writing of truth. Yet there is no one who stands firmly with me against these forces except Michael your prince.'" Daniel 10:20

Recapping the Previous Visions

"In the first year of Darius the Mede, I arose to be an encouragement and a protection for him. And now I will tell you the truth. Behold, three more kings are going to arise in Persia. Then a fourth will gain far more riches than all of them; as soon as he becomes strong through his riches, he will arouse the whole empire against the realm of Greece. And a mighty king will arise, and he will rule with great authority and do as he pleases. But as soon as he has arisen, his kingdom will be broken up and parceled out toward the four points of the compass, though not to his own descendants, nor according to his authority which he wielded, for his sovereignty will be uprooted and given to others besides them." Daniel 11:1-4

A Geographical Conflict

"Then the king of the South will grow strong, along with one of his princes who will gain ascendancy over him and obtain dominion; his domain will be a great dominion indeed." Daniel 11:5

"Then the king of the North will come, cast up a siege ramp and capture a well-fortified city; and the forces of the South will not stand their ground, not even their choicest troops, for there will be no strength to make a stand." Daniel 11:15

"At the end time the king of the South will collide with him, and the king of the North will storm against him with chariots, with horsemen and with many ships; and he will enter countries, overflow them and pass through." Daniel 11:40

The Final Events

"Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued. Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt." Daniel 12:1-2

Daniel Left Confused

"But as for you, Daniel, conceal these words and seal up the book until the end of time." Daniel 12:4

"How long will it be until the end of these wonders?" Daniel 12:6

"I heard the man dressed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, as he raised his right hand and his left toward heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever that it would be for a time, times, and half a time." Daniel 12:7

"As for me, I heard but could not understand; so I said, 'My lord, what will be the outcome of these events?' He said, 'Go your way, Daniel, for these words are concealed and sealed up until the end time.'" Daniel 12:8-9

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Discussion Questions

1. How does Daniel 10 relate to Daniel 11 and 12?
2. Why did it take the angel 3 weeks to get to Daniel? How does this effect our prayer life?
3. Read Ephesians 6:12. How would you define spiritual warfare?
4. There's a lot of details in Daniel 11. How do we not get lost in the details and miss the big picture? Why do you think God gave us the details?
5. What do you think of the idea that the end-time king of the south represents Islam?
6. Daniel didn't fully understand everything in the book. He had to be content. In what way might we face the same challenges today?
7. The vision mentions the time of trouble. How do you feel about the time of trouble? Do you think it is something we should be afraid of?

Next Steps

1. If you haven't yet, choose to give yourself to Jesus.
2. Take some time to go through handout that Pastor Tim provided, looking into the details of Daniel 11. Do you best to understand them
3. Recognizing that we are in a spiritual battle, choose to take time for prayer every day. Identify others that you can include praying for.
4. If you believe that we are living in the last days, identify ways that God can use you to prepare others for His return.