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A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF DANIEL



But Daniel made up his mind [resolved in his heart that he would not defile himself with the king's choice food or with the wine which he drank; so he sought permission from the commander of the officials that he might not defile himself. Daniel 1:8

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Previously angel Gabriel told Daniel...

"Seventy weeks [sevens] have been decreed for your people [the Jews] and your holy city [Jerusalem], to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy place." Daniel 9:24



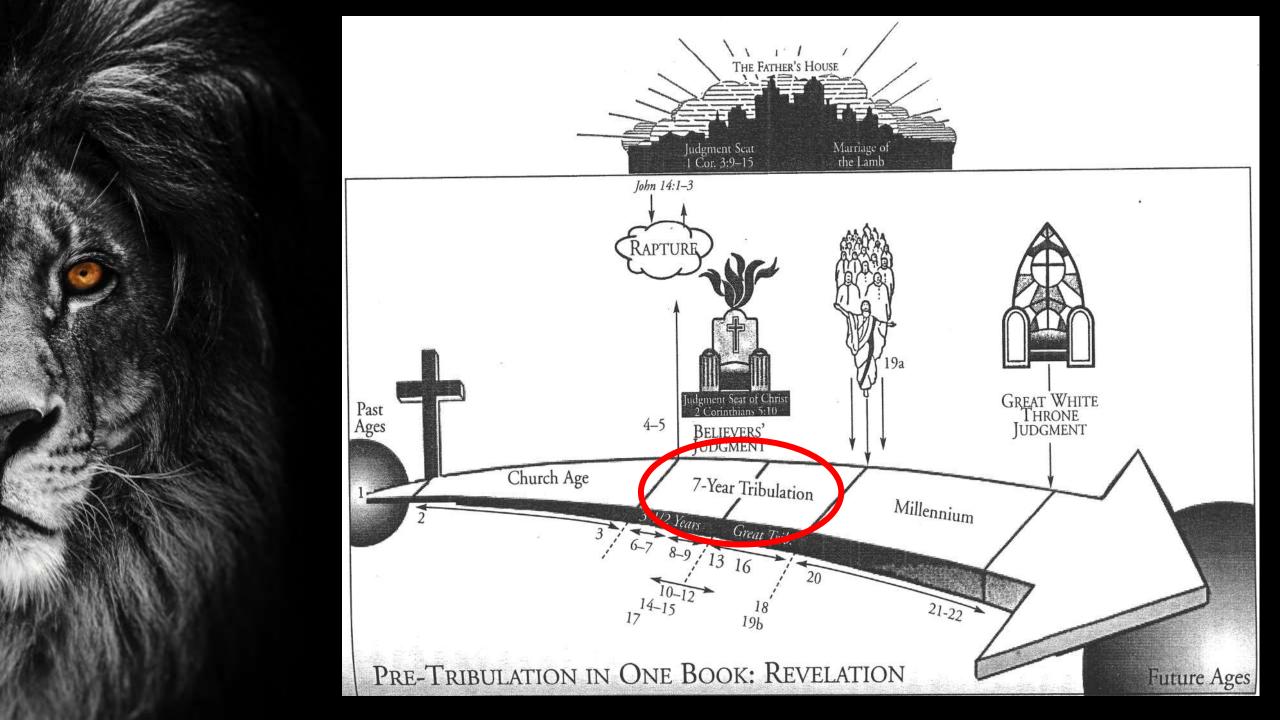
"So you are to know and discern that from the issuing of a decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until Messiah the Prince there will be seven weeks [sevens] and sixty-two weeks [sevens]; it will be built again, with plaza and moat, even in times of distress." Daniel 9:25



"Then after the sixty-two weeks the Messiah will be cut off and have nothing, and the people of the prince who is to come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. And its end will come with a flood; even to the end there will be war; desolations are determined." Daniel 9:26

Antiochus IV was the nearterm fulfillment of the prophecy of Daniel 9:27, which will have its long-term fulfillment in the life of the still future demonpossessed man who will be "antichrist."

"And he [antichrist] will make a firm covenant with the many for one week [seven years], but in the middle of the week [after 3.5 years] he will put a stop to sacrifice and grain offering; and on the wing of abominations will come one who makes desolate, even until a complete destruction, one that is decreed, is poured out on the one who makes desolate." Daniel 9:27





Daniel describing his encounter with an angel...

He said, "O man of high esteem, do not be afraid. Peace be with you; take <u>courage</u> and be <u>courageous</u>!" Daniel 10:19a

*RESOLVED people must be COURAGEOUS people



Last week...

Daniel 11:1-35



"The overflowing forces will be flooded away before him and shattered, and also the prince of the covenant [Onias III, the Jewish high priest]. After an alliance is made with him he [Antiochus IV Epiphanes] will practice deception, and he will go up and gain power with a small force of people. In a time of tranquility [by using wealth redistribution and taxing the rich] he will enter the richest parts of the realm, and he will accomplish what his fathers never did, nor his ancestors; he will distribute plunder, booty and possessions among them, and he will devise his schemes against strongholds, but only for **a time**." Daniel 11:22-24



"Forces from him will arise, desecrate the sanctuary fortress [Temple in Jerusalem], and do away with the regular sacrifice. And they will set up the abomination of desolation. By smooth words [flattery] he will turn to godlessness those who act wickedly toward the covenant, but the people who know their God [RESOLVED] will display strength and take action." Daniel 11:31-32

^{*}Near term fulfillment - Antiochus IV in 167 BC

^{*}Long term fulfillment - Antichrist in the Great Tribulation



"Now when they fall they will be granted a little help, and many will join with them in hypocrisy. Some of those who have insight will fall, in order to refine, purge and make them pure until the end time; because it is still to come at the appointed time." Daniel 11:34-35



This week...

Daniel 11:36-12:13



"Then the king [antichrist] will do as he pleases, and he will exalt and magnify himself above every god and will speak monstrous things against the God of gods; and he will prosper until the indignation is finished, for that which is decreed will be done. He will show no regard for the gods of his fathers or for the desire of women, nor will he show regard for any other god; for he will magnify himself above them all." Daniel 11:36-37



Apostle John wrote, "Children, it is the last hour; and just as you heard that antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have appeared; from this we know that it is the last hour." 1 John 2:18

"Anti" = opposed to, against, in the place of, a substitute for; He will be both opposed to God and a substitute for God. This man will pretend to be the Messiah.



Biblical titles for antichrist

- Antichrist 1 John 2:18
- The Little Horn Daniel 7:8
- The Fierce King Daniel 8:23
- A Master of Intrigue Daniel 8:23
- The Prince Who is to Come Daniel 9:26
- The Worthless Shepherd Zechariah 11:17
- The Man of Lawlessness 2 Thessalonians 2:3
- The One Who Brings Destruction 2 Thessalonians 2:3
- The Beast Revelation 13:11



Let no one in any way deceive you, for it will not come unless the apostasy comes first, and the man of lawlessness is revealed, the son of destruction, who opposes and exalts himself above every so-called god or object of worship, so that he takes his seat in the temple of God, displaying himself as being God. 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4



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World

Abortion rights protesters rally across the U.S. in hundreds of 'Bans Off Our Bodies' marches







More than 400 demonstrations happening Saturday opposing moves by U.S. Supreme Court to overturn Roe v. Wade

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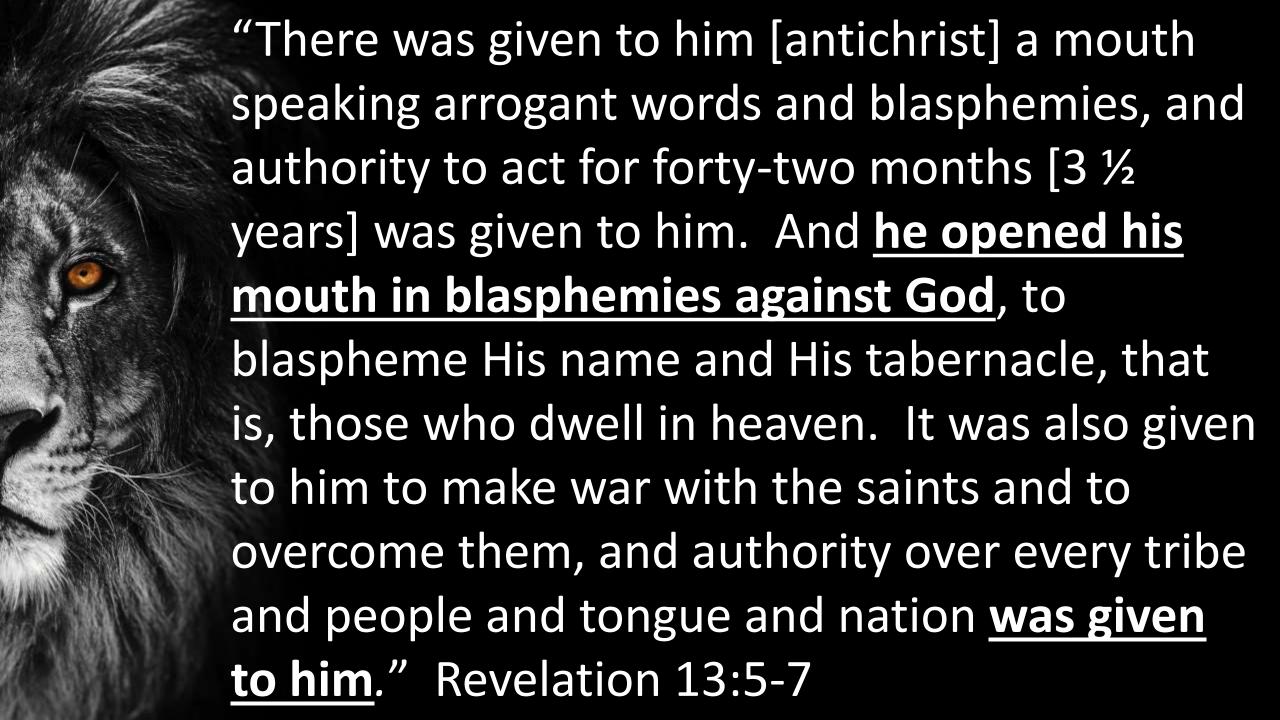
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"lawlessness"

"For the women of this country, this will be a summer of rage," said

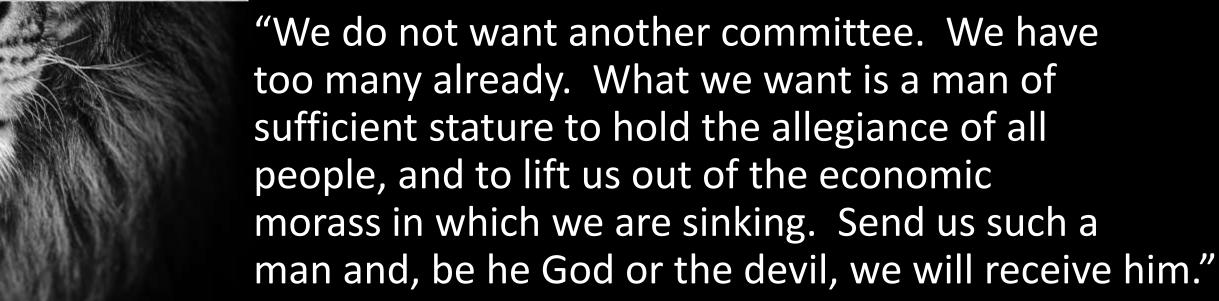
Rachel Carmona, president of Women's March. "We will be ungovernable until this government starts working for us, until the attacks on our bodies let up, until the right to an abortion is codified into law."





How will Antichrist come to power?

Paul Henri-Spaak, president of the United Nations General Assembly (1946-1947) and Secretary General of NATO (1957-1961), prime minister of Belgium and a proponent of socialism and one-world government, said this in a General Session of the UN in 1957:





"But instead he will honor a god of fortresses [military strength], a god whom his fathers did not know [Satan]; he will honor him with gold, silver, costly stones and treasures. He will take action against the strongest of fortresses with the help of a foreign god; he will give great honor to those who acknowledge him [submit] and will cause them to rule over the many, and will parcel out land [dispense favors] for a price." Daniel 11:38-39



"At the end time [latter half of Tribulation] the king of the South [Egypt] will collide with him [antichrist], and the king of the North [Russia?] will storm against him with chariots, with horsemen and with many ships; and he will enter countries, overflow them and pass through. He will also enter the Beautiful Land [Israel], and many countries will fall; but these will be rescued out of his hand: Edom, Moab and the foremost of the sons of Ammon [present day Jordan]." Daniel 11:40-41



"Then he will stretch out his hand against other countries, and the land of Egypt will not escape. But he will gain control over the hidden treasures of gold and silver and over all the precious things of Egypt; and Libyans and Ethiopians [Nubians] will follow at his heels." Daniel 11:42-43



"But rumors from the East [China?] and from the North [Russia?] will disturb him, and he will go forth with great wrath to destroy and annihilate many."

Daniel 11:44

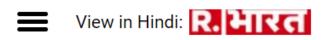
John the Apostle wrote, "The number of the armies of the horsemen was two hundred million; I heard the number of them."
Revelation 9:16



Posing as Christ, the Antichrist will set up his headquarters in Jerusalem, the same city from which Christ will rule the world in the Millennium (Zechariah 14:4, 17). The Antichrist will also pose as Christ by introducing a oneworld government with himself as the ruler and a **one-world religion** in which he is worshiped as god. But God will destroy the kingdom of this king at the personal appearance of Jesus Christ to this earth.

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IMF Head Urges Governments To Subsidise Food & Energy As Global Recession Fears Loom

"There are two priorities, one the very poor people, segments of society that are now struggling with high food and energy prices," Kristalina Georgieva said.

Written By Zaini Majeed







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REP. DONALDS STATEMENT OPPOSING BIDEN'S AMENDMENTS TO THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION'S INTERNATIONAL HEALTH REGULATIONS

Washington, May 17, 2022



WASHINGTON - Today, Rep. Byron Donalds (R-FL) issued the following statement opposing Biden's amendments to the World Health Organization's International Health Regulations.

"The World Health Organization (WHO) is an arm of the Chinese Communist Party (CCP) and should have zero say over any policy related to our nation. The response by the WHO amid the pandemic made it clear that they are a sharm organization that prioritizes the needs of our adversaries, not the American people. Any plan by the Biden administration to defer control over our national pandemic response to an international organization in the name of 'pandemic powention' is an alarming dereliction of duty and against the interest of our country. Any action by President Biden should be in tandem with the Legislative Branch, particularly the United States Senate, under Article II, section 2 of the United States Constitution."

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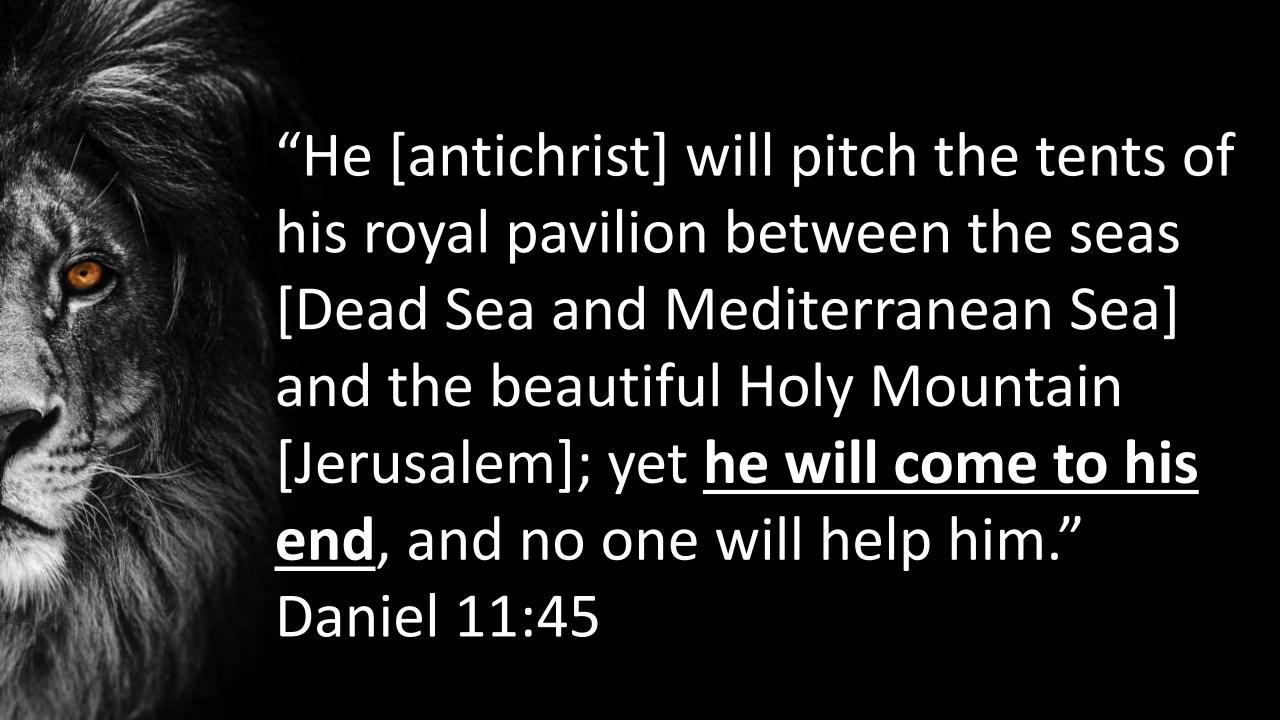
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Judgment and Defeat of the antichrist

- "Then I kept looking because of the sound of the boastful words which the horn was speaking; I kept looking until the beast was slain, and its body was destroyed and given to the burning fire." Daniel 7:11
- "But the court will sit for judgment, and <u>his dominion will</u> be taken away, annihilated and destroyed forever.
 Daniel 7:26
- "And I saw the beast and the kings of the earth and their armies assembled to make war against Him who sat on the horse and against His army. And the beast was seized, and with him the false prophet who performed the signs in his presence, by which he deceived those who had received the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image; these two were thrown alive into the lake of fire which burns with brimstone." Revelation 19:19-20



"Now at that time Michael, the great [angelic] prince who stands guard over the sons of your people [Israel], 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." Daniel 12:1

Jesus said, "For then there will be a **great tribulation**, such as has not occurred since the beginning of the world until now, nor ever will." Matthew 24:21



Apostle Paul wrote...

But realize this, that in the last days difficult times will come. For men will be lovers of self, lovers of money, boastful, arrogant, revilers, disobedient to parents, ungrateful, unholy, unloving, irreconcilable, malicious gossips, without self-control, brutal, haters of good, treacherous, reckless, conceited, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, holding to a form of godliness, although they have denied its power; avoid such men as these. 2 Timothy 3:1-5

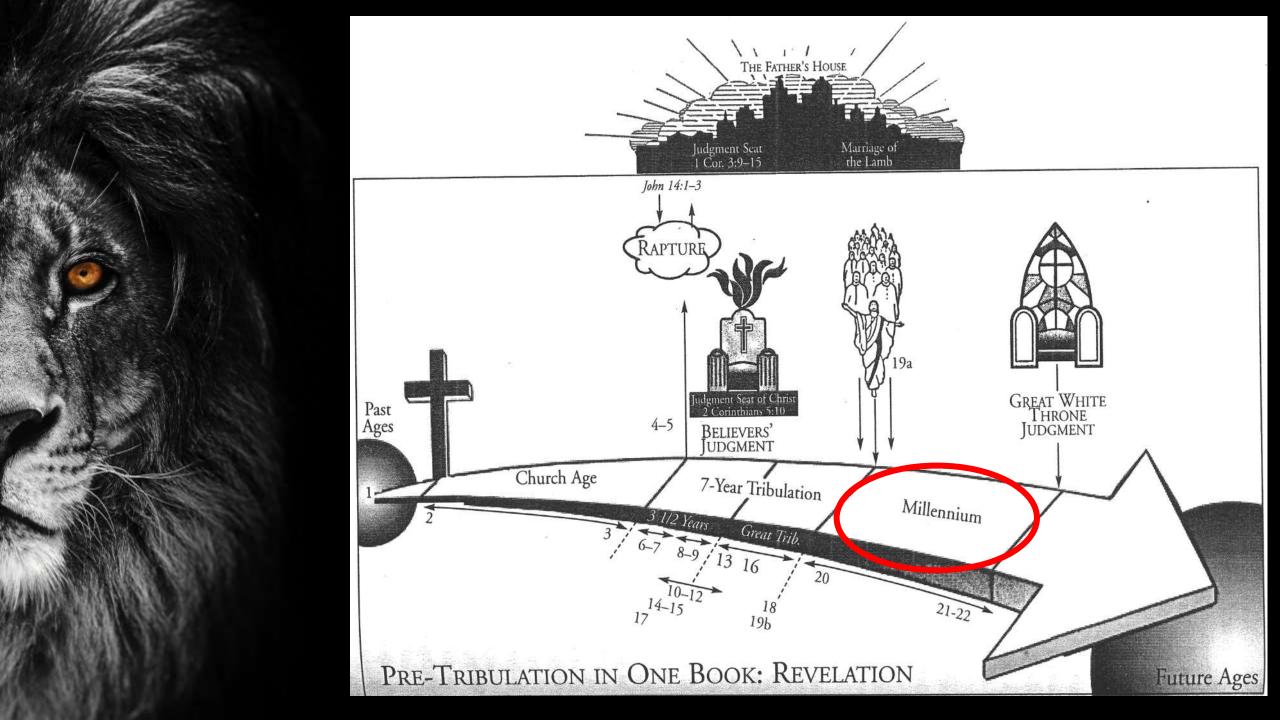


"Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground [believers in Messiah who have died] will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt. Those who have insight will shine brightly like the brightness of the expanse of heaven, and those who lead the many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever." Daniel 12:2-3

Jesus said, "Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. He who has ears, let him hear." Matthew 13:43



John wrote, "Then I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and judgment was given to them. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony of Jesus and because of the word of God, and those who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received the mark on their forehead and on their hand; and they came to life and reigned with Christ for a thousand years. The rest of the dead did not come to life until the thousand years were completed. This is the first resurrection." Revelation 20:4-5





"But as for you, Daniel, conceal these words and seal up the book until the end of time; many will go back and forth, and knowledge will increase." Daniel 12:4

*Daniel is to seal the words of the scroll, not in the sense of keeping them secret, but in order to preserve them until they are needed, keeping them for those who seek a word from God – New Bible Commentary

*Daniel and his immediate readers could not have comprehended all the details of the prophecies given in this book. People today, looking back over history, can see the significance of much of what Daniel predicted.

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Then I, Daniel, looked and behold, two others were standing, one on this bank of the river [Tigris] and the other on that bank of the river. And one said to the man dressed in linen [angel Gabriel], who was above the waters of the river, "How long will it be until the end of these wonders?" Daniel 12:5-6

"A single witness shall not rise up against a man on account of any iniquity or any sin which he has committed; on the evidence of two or three witnesses a matter shall be confirmed." Deuteronomy 19:15



"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 [3.5 years]; and as soon as they finish shattering the power of the holy people, all these events will be completed." 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 [latter half of the Great Tribulation]. Many will be purged, purified and refined [saved], but the wicked will act wickedly [following the antichrist]; and none of the wicked will understand, but those who have insight will understand." Daniel 12:8-10



"From the time that the regular sacrifice is abolished and the abomination of desolation is set up, there will be 1,290 days. How blessed is he who keeps waiting and attains to the 1,335 days!" Daniel 12:11-12

The last half of the 70th "seven" of years is "a time, times, and half a time" (Dan. 7:25; Rev. 12:14), which is three and one-half years. It is also designated as 42 months (Rev. 11:2) or 1,260 days (Rev. 11:3).

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How can the variance of 30 days (1,290 compared with 1,260) be explained? Some suggest that the 30 days will extend beyond the end of the Tribulation, allowing for the judgment of Israel and the judgment of the nations. Another possibility is that the 1,290 days will begin 30 days before the middle of the 70th "seven" of years when the world ruler will set up "the abomination that causes desolation" (Matt. 24:15). The 1,290 days could begin with an announcement (about the abomination) made 30 days before the abomination is introduced. This abomination will be an image of himself (Rev. 13:14–15) and will be the symbol of this religious system.

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Blessing is pronounced on one who waits for and lives to see the end of the 1,335 days. This is an additional 45 days beyond the 1,290 days (Dan. 12:11). Forty-five days after the end of the Tribulation Israel's long-awaited blessings will be realized. This may mark the blessing of the Millennium; or it may be when Christ, who will have appeared in the heavens (Matt. 24:30) 45 days earlier, will actually descend to the earth, His feet touching down on the Mount of Olives (Acts 1:11). - Bible Knowledge Commentary



"But as for you, go your way to the end; then you will enter into rest and rise again for your allotted portion at the end of the age." **Daniel 12:13**

Apostle Paul wrote, "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the course, I have kept the faith; in the future there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day; and not only to me, but also to all who have loved His appearing."

2 Timothy 4:7-8



Lessons from Daniel 12

- God uses people who are obedient, faithful, resolved.
- God's people may be called to serve Him in the midst of difficult and painful circumstances.
- Our God is sovereign over all events in all ages.
- God makes promises and keeps promises.
- Prayer must be the routine and guide for the believer's life.
- God's Word is true and trustworthy.
- Believers are called to be prepared for the Last Days.
- God's divine plan and victory will be accomplished.



How can we live Resolved?

I have sworn and I will confirm it, that I will keep Your righteous ordinances.
Psalm 119:106

Depart from me, evildoers, that I may observe the commandments of my God. Psalm 119:115



For followers of Jesus who have **RESOLVED** to live faithful lives in these last days...

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