



The Study of Daniel 12 • "The Chronology of Closing Conditions for Israel" • Part One

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As Daniel's final vision draws to a close, he is told of the end of the world. There will be a period of great distress, but God's people will be delivered. Those who have died will be raised to life and judged. The righteous will be vindicated. The wicked will be sentenced. There is great hope here that God will put all to rights. There will be life beyond death and glory after suffering. We have details but the timing, like Daniel, we must wait and see.

- Dr. Roy Gingrich

### A. STUDY SECTION FOR VV. 1-4

# A Chronology of Closing Conditions for Israel "The Description of End Times"

### 1. Suffering Lies Ahead.

**Daniel 12:1, NCV** - <sup>1</sup> "At that time [rf.,, the Great Tribulation] <u>Michael, the great</u> prince who protects your people, will stand up. There will be a time of much trouble, the worst time since nations have been on earth, but your people will be saved. Everyone whose name is written in God's book will be saved.

- **A. The Prince** Israel will be helped at the time by Michael the archangel.
- **B. The Pain** During the Great Tribulation, Israel will suffer as never before.
- C. The Perseverance Those whose names are written in God's Book will be saved.

### 2. A Separation Lies Ahead.

**Daniel 12:2, NLT** - <sup>2</sup> <u>Many of those</u> [lit., there will be many] whose bodies lie dead and buried will rise up, some to everlasting life and some to shame and everlasting disgrace.

- A. The Christian Dead are not included (Their resurrection will be 7 years earlier; 1 Thess. 4:16)
- B. The Christians Living are not included (Our Rapture comes after the resurrection; 1 Thess. 4:17)
- C. The unsaved dead are not included (They will be resurrected 1,000 year later; Rev. 20:4)

In the last days, all will be resurrected, some to everlasting life, others to everlasting punishment.

### 3. A Shining Lies Ahead.

**Daniel 12:3, NLT** -<sup>3</sup> Those who are wise will shine as bright as the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness will shine like the stars forever.

The righteous will shine 'like stars forever.'

## 4. A Sealing Lies Ahead.

**Daniel 12:4, TLB** - <sup>4</sup> "But Daniel, keep this prophecy a secret; <u>seal it up</u> [to "seal" showed God's ratification on the prophecy; cf., Jer. 32:1-12] <u>so that it will not be understood until the end times</u>, when <u>travel</u> [speaks of <u>transportation</u>] and <u>education</u> [speaks of <u>information</u>] <u>shall</u> [both transportation and information] be vastly increased!"

Daniel's prophecies will not be understood until the end of time.

#### B. LIFE APPLICATION SECTION

# What will Your Response be to The Four 'God-Truths' from these Verses:

1<sup>ST</sup> TRUTH: There is a 'book of life.' [Is your name written in the Lambs Book of Life?]

"...every one of <u>your people whose name is written in the book will be rescued</u>." – v. 1C

Luke 10:20 • Rev. 13:8 • Rev. 3:5 • Rev. 20:15 • Rev. 17:8 • Rev. 21:27 • Phil 4:3

# **2<sup>ND</sup> TRUTH:** There are two future resurrections. [Which one is yours?]

"... (the) dead and buried will rise up, <u>some to everlasting life</u> and <u>some to shame and everlasting disgrace..."</u> -v. 2

John 5:28-29 • Rev. 20:6

## **3<sup>RD</sup> TRUTH**: **Real 'Stars' are those that shine for Jesus.** [Is that your life?]

"...those who lead many to righteousness will shine like the stars forever." - v. 3

# 4<sup>TH</sup> TRUTH: An explosion of 'transportation' and 'information' comes in the "Last Days." [Are you recognizing the sings of The End of the World?]

Daniel...seal it up so that it will not be understood <u>until the end times</u> ...when travel and education shall be vastly increased. -v.4