### **Lesson 1:** God Honors Faithfulness (Daniel 1)

**Key Verse:** "But Daniel purposed in his heart that he would not defile himself with the portion of the king's meat, nor with the wine which he drank: therefore he requested of the prince of the eunuchs that he might not defile himself." (Daniel 1:8)

**Introduction:** Daniel and his companions were carried captive to Babylon, and in spite of adverse circumstances they remained faithful to God in a pagan environment. God honored their faithfulness by promotion in the pagan environment, not by deliverance from it.

# I. Daniel and Companions Were Taken Captive to Babylon (1:1-7)

- A. Jerusalem was besieged (1:1)
- B. King Jehoiakim was defeated (1:2)
- C. Sacred treasures were carried to Babylon (1:2)
- D. Royal hostages were taken to Babylon (1:3-5)
  - 1. Hostages were taken from royalty and nobility (3)
  - 2. They were gifted and talented (4)
  - 3. They were to be trained for royal service (4-5)
  - 4. They were to be educated in Babylonian culture (4-5)
  - 5. they were given royal provisions (5)
- E. Daniel and his companions were among them (1:6-7)
  - 1. They were of the tribe of Judah (6)
  - 2. They were given pagan names (7)
    - a. Their Hebrew names reflected true faith:

Daniel = "God is my judge"

Hananiah = "The LORD is gracious"

Mishael = "Who is what God is?"

Azariah = "The LORD is help"

b. Their Babylonian names praised pagan gods:

Belteshazzar = "Balat protest the king"

Shadrach = "Command of Aku"

Mishach = "Who is what Aku is?"

Abed-Nego = "Servant of Nebo"

### II. Daniel and Companions Remained Faithful to God (1:8-16)

- A. Daniel determined not to defile himself (1:8)
- B. Daniel asked exemption from pagan foods (1:8-10)
- C. Daniel proposed a test of Jewish food (1:11-13)
- D. Daniel's food was accepted for them (1:14-16)

### III. God Honored Daniel's Faithfulness (1:17-21)

- A. God gave them superior knowledge and skill (1:17)
- B. Daniel and companions were proven superior (1:18-20)
- C. Daniel and companions were appointed to royal service (1:20-21)

**Conclusion:** It is possible to remain faithful to God in a pagan environment, and God honors those who do.

### **Lesson 2:** The Times of the Gentiles: An Earthly View (Daniel 2)

**Key Verse:** "Foreasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made know to the king what shall come to pass here-after: and the dream is certain and the interpretation thereof sure." (Dan. 2:45)

**Introduction:** King Nebuchadnezzar had a prophetic dream. The king's wisemen could not interpret the dream for him, but Daniel explained that God had revealed to Nebuchadnezzar the future of Gentile history. Thus the king glorified the God of Israel.

## I. A Prophetic Dream Mystifies the Magicians (2:1-13)

- A. King Nebuchadnezzar had a prophetic dream (2:1)
- B. The Babylonian magicians failed to interpret the dream (2:2-13)

# II. God Revealed the Dream to Daniel (2: 14-23)

- A. Daniel requested the dream from God (2:14-18)
- B. God answered Daniel's request (2:19-23)
  - 1. God revealed the dream to Daniel (19)
  - 2. Daniel praised God for answered prayer (20-23)

### III. Daniel Revealed the Dream to Nebuchadnezzar (2:24-45)

- A. Daniel explained the source of the dream (2:24-30)
  - 1. Daniel was brought to the king (24-25)
  - 2. The dream was given by God (26-30)
- B. Daniel described the dream to the king (2: 31-35)
  - 1. The king saw a huge image (31)
  - 2. The image was made of various materials (32-33)
  - 3. A great stone destroyed the image (34-35)
- C. Daniel interpreted the dream to the king (2:36-45)
  - 1. The head of gold: Babylonian kingdom (36-38)
  - 2. The chest of silver: Medo-Persian Empire (39)
  - 3. The belly of bronze: the Greecian Empire (39)
  - 4. The thighs and legs of iron: Roman Empire (40)
  - 5. The feet of iron and clay: last empire (41-43)
  - 6. The stone: Messiah's kingdom (44-45)

### IV. Nebuchadnezzar Glorified God (2:46-49)

- A. He is the God of gods and Lord of kings (2:46-47)
- B. Daniel was promoted to high rank (2:48-49)

**Conclusion:** God controls the destiny of the nations. He has revealed the prophetic future that assures the certainty of His righteous kingdom.

### **Lesson 3:** God Delivers Faithful Servants Through Fiery Trials (Daniel 3)

**Key Verse:** "Then Nebuchadnezzar spake, and said, Blessed be the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego, who hath sent his angel, and delivered his servants that trusted in him, and have changed the king's word, and yielded their bodies, that they might not serve nor worship any god, except their own God." (3:28)

**Introduction:** Faced with a royal command to worship an image of the king under penalty of death, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego refused to compromise their loyalty to the God of Israel. God honored their faithfulness by delivering them unharmed from a fiery furnace.

# I. God Delivered Through Trial of Public Pressure (3:1-7)

- A. The king erected an image of gold: Self Deification (3:1-2)
- B. The king commanded universal worship (3:3-5)
  - 1. The musicians would play
  - 2. Every one was to worship the image
- C. Refusal would bring the death penalty (3:6-7)

# **II. God Delivered Through Trial of Public Accusation (3:8-18)**

- A. Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego were accused (3:8-12)
- B. The King confronted them in fury (3:13-15)
- C. They answered in loyalty to their God (3:16-18)
  - 1. Their God is able to deliver them (16-17)
  - 2. They would remain loyal regardless (18)

### III. God Delivered Through the Fiery Furnace (3:19-27)

- A. They were cast into the fiery furnace (3:19-23)
- B. They were unharmed in the furnace (3:24-27)
  - 1. The king saw four men walking in the furnace (24-25)
  - 2. The king called them out of the furnace (26)
  - 3. The men were completely unharmed (27)

#### IV. The King Praised the God of Israel (3:28-30)

**Conclusion:** Obedience and faithfulness to God are always the best policy.

### **Lesson 4:** God Rules In The Kingdom of Men (Daniel 4)

**Key Verse:** "...Till thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will." (Dan.4:25)

**Introduction:** King Nebuchadnezzar proudly thought his kingdom was due to his own greatness. God revealed in a dream that the Most High is sovereign over human kings. The king failed to heed God's warning to repent, and lost his sanity for seven years. Afterward he acknowledged God's sovereignty and was restored to his throne.

**Prologue:** Nebuchadnezzar introduced his story. (4:1-3)

# I. A Dream Revealed God's Sovereignty Over Kings (4:4-18)

- A. Nebuchadnezzar had a mysterious dream (4:4-5)
- B. The wise men could not interpret the dream (4:6-7)
- C. The king explained the dream to Daniel (4:8-18)
  - 1. The king had seen a great tree (8-12)
  - 2. Heavenly watchers commanded it cut down (13-16)
    - a. The stump was to be bound with fetters (13-15)
    - b. It would be given the heart of a beast (16)
    - c. Seven times would pass over it (16)
  - 3. This was to teach God's sovereignty (17-18)

#### II. Daniel Interpreted the Dream for the King (4:19-27)

- A. The Dream astonished Daniel (4:19)
- B. The tree represented King Nebuchadnezzar (4:20-23)
- C. The king would be driven from his kingdom (4:24-25)
  - 1. He would live like a beast
  - 2. Seven times would passover him
- D. His kingdom would be restored (4:26)
- E. Daniel encouraged the king to repent (4:27)

### III. The Dream Was Fulfilled in Nebuchadnezzar (4:28-37)

- A. A heavenly voice pronounced judgment (4:28-32)
- B. The king lost his sanity and lived like an ox (4:33)
- C. The king's sanity and kingdom were restored (4:34)
- D. The king praised and acknowledged God's sovereignty (4:35-37)

**Conclusion:** "Those who walk in pride He is able to abase." (4:37)

**Lesson 5:** God Decreed the End of the Babylonian Empire (Daniel 5)

**Key Verse:** "Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and the Persians." (5:28)

**Introduction:** The Persians had the city of Babylon under siege. In proud defiance Belshazzar held a banquet to honor the Babylonian gods during which he defiled the sacred vessels of the Jewish Temple. God decreed his downfall by mysterious handwriting on the wall that only Daniel could interpret.

### I. Belshazzar Held an Idolatrous Feast (5:1-4)

- A. One thousand lords attended (5:1)
- B. They drank wine from the Temple vessels (5:2-3)
- C. They praised their pagan gods (5:4)

# II. God Sent a Mysterious Message of Doom (5:5-16)

- A. A mysterious hand wrote on the wall (5:5)
- B. The king was struck with terror (5:6)
- C. His wise men could not read the message (5:7-9)
- D. Daniel Was called to interpret the writing (5:10-16)
  - 1. The Queen Mother recommended Daniel (5:10-12)
  - 2. The king summoned Daniel (5:13-16)

### III. Daniel Interpreted the Message of Doom (5:17-29)

- A. Daniel rebuked the king's ungodliness (5:17-24)
  - 1. God had judged Nebuchadnezzar's pride (17-21)
  - 2. Belshazzar knew these things (22)
  - 3. Belshazzar willfully committed sacrilege (23)
  - 4. God sent the message because of this (24)
- B. Daniel explained the message (5:25-28)
  - 1. MENE: the kingdom is numbered and finished (25-26)
  - 2. TEKEL: the kings is weighed and wanting (27)
  - 3. PERES: the kingdom is divided and given to the Medes and Persians (28)
- C. The king promoted Daniel to third ruler (5:29)

### IV. God Executed His Judgment on Belshazzar (5:30-31)

- A. Belshazzar was killed (5:30)
- B. The empire was conquered by the Medeo-Persia (5:31)

**Conclusion:** God judges defiant pride and puts down ungodly kings and kingdoms.

### **Lesson 6:** God's Sovereignty Over Evil Plots (Daniel 6)

**Key Verse:** "Then the king was exceeding glad for him, and commanded that they should take Daniel up out of the den. So Daniel was taken up out of the den, and no manner of hurt was found upon him, because he believed in his God." (Dan. 6:23)

**Introduction:** Jealous enemies tried to destroy Daniel with an evil plot against his religious beliefs. God delivered Daniel from the lions' den and gained praise from the pagan king.

# I. An Evil Plot Was Perpetrated Against Daniel (6:1-10)

- A. Daniel was promoted to prime minister (6:1-3)
- B. His enemies plotted to destroy him (6:4-5)
  - 1. His character was impeccable(4)
  - 2. Only his religion could be attacked (5)
- C. They urged the king to make a religious decree (6:6-9)
  - 1. No one may pray except to the king (6-7)
  - 2. Offenders would be cast into lions' den (7)
  - 3. The decree could not be altered (8-9)
- D. Daniel remained faithful to God (6:10)

### II. God Delivered Daniel From the Lions' Den (6:11-23)

- A. Daniel was accused of violating the decree (6:11-15)
  - 1. Daniel was found praying (11)
  - 2. His enemies accused him to the king(12-13)
  - 3. The king tried to deliver Daniel (14-15)
- B. Daniel was cast into the lions' den (6:16-17)
- C. Daniel was delivered from the lions (6:18-23)
  - 1. The king held an all night vigil (18-20)
  - 2. The king found Daniel safe (21-23)

### III. Daniel's Enemies Were Destroyed (6:24-28)

- A. His enemies were cast to the lions (6:24)
- B. The king praised Daniel's God (6:25-27)
- C. Daniel prospered under the king (6:28)

**Conclusion:** God is sovereign in all situations. We can trust Him to deliver us from evil plots when it is His will.

### **Lesson 7:** A Vision of Gentile World History Foretold (Daniel 7)

**Key Verse:** "And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him." (Dan. 7:27)

**Introduction:** God gave Daniel a vision of future Gentile world history as viewed from the heavenly perspective. Four successive world empires were to come with the characteristics of ugly beasts. In the final days of the last empire, God's Messiah, the Son of Man, would come and receive the kingdom and rule over it forever.

### I. Daniel Saw A Vision of Four Beasts and Three Persons (7:1-14)

- A. Four beasts came up from the sea (7:1-8)
  - 1. The first beast was like a lion (1-4)
  - 2. The second beast was like a bear (5)
  - 3. The third beast was like a leopard (6)
  - 4. The fourth beast was dreadfully terrible (7-8)
    - a. It had ten horns
    - b. A little horn arose, uprooting three
- B. The Ancient of Days gave the kingdom to the Son of Man (7:9-14)
  - 1. The Ancient of Days set up His judgment seat(9-10)
  - 2. The little horn was destroyed (11-12)
  - 3. The Son of Man was given the kingdom (13-14)
    - a. He came with clouds of heaven
    - b. He came to the Ancient of Days
    - c. He was given an everlasting kingdom

### II. Daniel's Vision Was Interpreted for Him (7:15-28)

- A. An angel explained the vision to Daniel (7:15-16)
- B. The four beasts represent four future empires (7:17-18
- C. The angel explained the final details (7:19-27)
  - 1. Daniel asked about the final details (19-22)
  - 2. The fourth beast is the fourth empire (23)
  - 3. The ten horns are ten latter day kings (24)
  - 4. The little horn is the final world ruler (24-25)
  - 5. The kingdom will be given to the saints (26-27)
- D. Daniel was greatly troubled by the vision (7:28)

**Conclusion:** God is sovereign over world governments and will set up His eternal kingdom on schedule.

### **Lesson 8:** God Revealed More Gentile History (Daniel 8)

**Key Verse:** "The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia. And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king." (Dan.8:20-21)

**Introduction:** After God revealed the full range of future Gentile world history in the vision of chapter 7, He then focused more attention on the future Medo-Persian and Greecian empires. Then more details were given about the Little Horn.

## I. Daniel Saw a Second Prophetic Vision (8:1-14)

- A. The vision occurred in Belshazzar's third year (8:1-2)
- B. He saw a two-horned ram (8:3-4)
  - 1.It pushed to the west, north, and south
  - 2.It conquered all opposition
- C. He saw a one-horned he goat(8:5-8)
  - 1.It defeated the two-horned ram (5-7)
  - 2.Its horn broke and four replaced it (8)
- D. He saw a little horn come out of one horn (8:9-14)
  - 1.It became great (9)
  - 2.It opposed heavenly hosts(10)
  - 3.It opposed the Prince of hosts (11)
  - 4.It stopped the daily sacrifices (11-12)
  - 5. They ceased for 2,300 days (13-14)

## II. Gabriel Interpreted the Vision for Daniel (8:15-27)

- A. Gabriel came to interpret the vision(8:15-17)
- B. The interpretation refers to the end time (8:17-19)
- C. The ram represents Medo-Persia (8:20)
- D. The he goat represents Grecia (8:21-22)
- E. The little horn represents the end-time king (8:23-27)
  - 1. He will have supernatural power (23-24)
  - 2. He will use craft and false peace measures (25)
  - 3. He will oppose the Prince of princes (25)
  - 4. He will be broken without hands (25)
- F. The vision is certain (8:26)
- G. The vision upset and astonished Daniel(8:27)

**Conclusion:** God accurately told Daniel the future. We can be certain that all will be fulfilled.

### **Lesson 9:** God's Time Clock for Israel (Daniel 9)

**Key Verse:** "Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy." (Dan.9:24)

**Introduction:** After the Persian conquest of the Babylonian Empire, Daniel became concerned about the fulfillment of Jeremiah's prophecy of the seventy years of desolation. In response to Daniel's prayer, God revealed His plan of Seventy Weeks of years for the future of Israel, after which Messiah would come to set up His kingdom.

# I. Daniel Understood Jeremiah's Prophecy (9:1-2)

- A. The time was the first year of Darius the Mede (9:1)
- B. Daniel understood the 70-year prophecy (9:2)
  - 1. Jeremiah foretold the captivity (Jer 25:11; 29:10)
  - 2. Jerusalem would be desolate for seventy years
- C. The seventy years were near completion

# II. Daniel Prayed About Israel's Sinful Condition (9:3-19)

- A. He fasted and prayed in sackcloth and ashes (9:3)
- B. He confessed Israel's sin and disobedience (9:4-6)
- C. He worshipped and praised God (9:7-9)
  - 1. He worshipped God for His righteousness (7-8)
  - 2. He worshipped God for His mercy (9)
- D. He acknowledged their worthiness of judgment (9:10-14)
  - 1. They had broken God's Law (10-13)
  - 2. God had justly punished them (14)
- E. He interceded for God's restoration (9:15-19)
  - 1. He begged God to remove His wrath (15-16)
  - 2. He pleaded for grace upon the sanctuary (17-19)

### III. Gabriel Revealed God's Time Schedule for Israel (9:20-27)

- A. Gabriel interrupted Daniel's prayer (9:20-23)
- B. Seventy weeks are determined For Israel and Jerusalem (9:24)
- C. There are three segments of the seventy weeks (25-27)
  - 1.It begins with a decree of restoration (25)
  - 2. Seven weeks and 62 weeks will pass before Messiah the Prince comes (25)
  - 3. Messiah will be cut off for others (26)
  - 4. Jerusalem and the temple will be destroyed (26)
- D. The seventieth week will bring tribulation (9:27)
  - 1. It will begin with a covenant
  - 2. In the middle of the week the covenant will be broken
  - 3. The abomination of desolation will be set up
  - 4. Then great desolation will occur

**Conclusion:** God's time clock For Israel is right on schedule. Sixty-nine weeks have been accomplished. The seventieth will be the Great Tribulation yet to come.

### **Lesson 10:** Daniel Was Given the Scripture of Truth (Daniel 10)

**Key Verse:** "But I will shew thee that which is noted in the Scripture of Truth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things but Michael your prince." (Dan. 10:21)

**Introduction:** After learning about the seventy weeks of years, and about the seventieth week of tribulation, Daniel fasted and prayed for further knowledge. A heavenly messenger was sent to reveal the content of the Scripture of Truth and to give further understanding of future Gentile history.

# I. A Heavenly Messenger Visited Daniel (Dan. 10:1-9)

- A. The time was Cyrus' third year (10:1)
- B. Daniel fasted for three full weeks (10:2-3)
- C. A heavenly messenger appeared to Daniel (10:4-6)
  - 1. He came on the 24th day of the first month (4)
  - 2. Daniel was by the Tigris River (4)
  - 3. The messenger had a glorious appearance (5-6)
- D. Daniel was left alone during the vision (10:7-9)
  - 1. Daniel's companions fled from him (7)
  - 2. Daniel remained in a weakened condition (8)
  - 3. Daniel was in a deep sleep (9)

### II. The Heavenly Messenger Gave Strength and Understanding (10:10-15)

- A. The messenger raised Daniel to his knees (10:10)
- B. The messenger explained his mission (10:11)
  - 1. Daniel was greatly beloved
  - 2. Daniel was to have understanding
  - 3. The messenger was sent for that purpose
- C. The messenger explained his delay (10:12-13)
  - 1. Daniel was not to fear (12)
  - 2. The messenger had been delayed by opposition (13)
    - a. The prince of Persia had delayed him
    - b. Michael had aided him
- D. The messenger explained his message (10:14-15)
  - 1. The message concerned Daniel's people (14)
  - 2. The message concerned the latter days (14)
  - 3. Daniel fell speechless to the ground (15)

#### III. The Heavenly Messenger Presented the Scripture of Truth (10:16-21)

- A. The messenger touched Daniel's lips (10:16)
- B. Daniel asked for strength (10:17)
- C. The messenger strengthened Daniel (10:18-19)
- D. The messenger expected further opposition (10:20)
  - 1. He must fight the prince of Persia
  - 2. He must fight the prince of Grecia
- E. The messenger promised the Scripture of Truth (10:21)

**Conclusion:** Although the answer to prayer may be delayed and opposed by satanic forces, God is able to accomplish His sovereign purposes.

### **Lesson 11:** More Gentile History Foretold (Daniel 11:1-35)

**Key Verse:** "But the people who know their God shall be strong, and carry out great exploits." (Dan. 11:32b)

**Introduction:** The content of the Scripture of Truth given by the heavenly messenger contained the foretold history of the Gentile nations until the time of the end.

## I. History of the Persian Empire Foretold. (11:1-2)

- A. The Persian empire would have three more kings
- B. The fourth would be more rich and powerful
- C. The fourth would attack the realm of Greece

### II. History of the Grecian Empire Foretold. (11:3-31)

- A. A Mighty Grecian king would arise (11:3-4)
  - 1. He would rule with great dominion
  - 2. His kingdom would be divided into four
- B. The kings of the North and South would battle (11:4-31)
  - 1. Ptolemy I Soter (323-285) and Seleucus I Nicator (321-281). (11:5)
  - 2. Ptolemy II Philadelphus (285-245) and Antiochus II Theos (262-246). (11:6)
  - 3. Ptolemy III Euergetes (247-221) and Seleucus II Callinicus (256-227). (11:7-8)
  - 4. Seleucus' sons were (1) Seleucus III Ceraunus (227-223) and
  - (2) Antiochus III the Great (223-187). (11:9-10)
  - 5. Ptolemy IV Philopator (221-203) and Antiochus the Great. (11:11-12)
  - 6. Ptolemy V Epiphanes (203-181) and Antiochus the Great. (11:13-19)
  - 7. Seleucus IV Philopator (187-176). (11:20)
  - 8. Antiochus Epiphanes (175-164). (11;21-31)

#### III. Subsequent Gentile History Foretold. (11:31-36)

- A. Between Antiochus and Messiah (11:31-33)
- B. Between Messiah and the last days (11:34-35)

**Conclusion:** Although God's people may be caught in the midst of much strife and persecution, yet God watches over them.

#### **Lesson 12:** Antichrist in the End Times (Daniel 11:36-45)

**Key Verse:** "And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvelous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper until the indignation be accomplished: and that is determined shall be done." (Dan. 11:36)

**Introduction:** In the time of the end, Antichrist, the king, shall arise and exalt himself to deity. He will succeed against the opposition of the kings of Syria and Egypt until the end. Then God will destroy him.

### I. Antichrist Will Arise in the End Times (11:36-39)

- A. He will be a dictator (11:36)
- B. He will blaspheme the God of gods (11:36)
- C. He will exalt himself to deity (11:36-37)
  - 1. He will exalt himself above all gods
  - 2. He will not regard the God of his fathers
  - 3. He will not regard the Desire of Women (Messiah)
  - 4. He will not regard any god
  - 5. He will exalt himself above all
- D. He will introduce a new god (11:38-39)
  - 1. He will honor the god of force (38)
  - 2. This god was formerly unknown to his fathers (38)
  - 3. He will honor this god with riches (38)
  - 4. He will honor this god in most fortresses (39)
  - 5. He will reward followers with territory (39)

# II. Antichrist Will Battle Syria and Egypt (11:40-45)

- A. Syria and Egypt will attack him (11:40)
- B. He will enter Israel and conquer (11:41)
- C. He will conquer Egypt and other nations (11:42)
- D. He will gain financial control (11:43)
- E. News from the east will draw him into battle (11:44)
- F. His military headquarters will be in Israel (11:45)
- G. He will come to his end unaided (11:45)

**Conclusion:** Antichrist will flourish in the last days until it pleases God to bring him to his doom. Christians can trust their God to fulfill His sovereign purposes.

#### **Lesson 13:** The Great Tribulation and the Resurrections (Dan. 12)

**Key Verse:** "And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awaken, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt." (Dan. 12:2)

**Introduction:** The angel revealed more details about the Great Tribulation and the resurrections from the dead. Certain time intervals after the abomination of desolation were specified.

## I. Unparalleled Tribulation Will Come upon Israel (12:1)

- A. The angel Michael will help Israel
- B. The tribulation will be of unparalleled intensity
- C. The godly Jews will be delivered

# II. The Righteous and Unrighteous Will Be Resurrected (12:2-3)

- A. The dead will be awakened from the dust (12:2)
- B. The righteous will rise to everlasting life (12:2)
- C. The unrighteous will rise to everlasting contempt (12:2)
- D. One thousand years will intervene (Rev. 20:1-15)
- E. The righteous will be made glorious (12:3)

# **III.** The Tribulation Will Be of Limited Duration (12:4-13)

- A. The book is sealed until the end times (12:4,9)
- B. The tribulation will last three and one-half years (12:5 -8)
  - 1. The angel swore by God (5-7)
  - 2. The power of the holy people will be shattered (7)
  - 3.All the tribulations will cease (7)
- C. The end will be at a specified time (12:8-10)
  - 1. Daniel asked about the time of the end (8)
  - 2. The words are sealed until that time (9)
  - 3. The righteous and wicked will be rewarded (10)
- D. Three intervals follow the abomination of desolation (12:11-13)
  - 1.An event happens 1290 days afterward (11)
  - 2. An event happens 1335 days afterward (12)
  - 3.An event happens 2300 days afterward (8:13-14)
  - 4. Daniel will be resurrected at the end of the days (13)

**Conclusion:** The ultimate destiny of the righteous is glorious, but of the unrighteous, fatal.