

More Than Meets the Eye Daniel 10:1-12:13

Observations from Chapter 10:

- #1. What happens on earth seems to be impacted by a supernatural reality.
- #2. In this supernatural reality, there are spiritual beings that come into conflict with each other.
- #3. It appears that some angles and demons are assigned to nations and maybe even people.
- #4. The prayers of those who believe in God are immediately heard by God but with this supernatural reality there may be delays with His answers.

The Vision (chapter 11)

Note: This vision starts by describing events in the international arena between the 5th and 2nd century BC.

Note: It begins with the kingdom of Persia (the Medo-Persian Empire). Then it describes the fall of this empire to a mighty king of Greece: Alexander the Great.

Note: The vision then describes events that happen after Alexander the Great falls. (Dan 11:5-6)

Note: The first part of chapter 11, up until v. 21, describes in detail the constant political conflict happening in this part of the world surrounding Jerusalem.

Note: These verses contain over 100 prophecies that have all been fulfilled.

Note: The vision in Dan 11:29-35 then moves to talking about one particular king in the 2nd century, Antiochus Epiphanes.
He was a prototype of the end time antichrist.

Note: In Dan 11:36-45, the vision zooms in on the real end time antichrist.

Note: In Dan 11:40-45, the vision concerns major military confrontations from the great powers of the world, and the antichrist is in the center of it all.

Note: This will culminate in the final battle of man: The Battle of Armageddon.

The Vision Continues (chapter 12)

Note: There is going to be a time of trouble such as this world has ever known. This is the Great Tribulation.

Note: When it appears that Satan and the antichrist have won, Jesus Christ shall return.

Applications for us:

1. God's Word is true; trust it.
2. God's judgment is sure; talk it.
3. God's command is purity; walk it.
4. King Jesus has promised to return; watch for Him.