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THE BOOK OF DANIEL

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SERMON NOTES
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“4 BUT YOU, DANIEL, SHUT UP THE WORDS AND SEAL THE BOOK, UNTIL THE TIME OF THE END. MANY SHALL RUN TO AND FRO, AND KNOWLEDGE SHALL INCREASE.”

[DANIEL 12:4 ESV]

“9 HE SAID, “GO YOUR WAY, DANIEL, FOR THE WORDS ARE SHUT UP AND SEALED UNTIL THE TIME OF THE END.”

[DANIEL 12:9 ESV]

**“ 13 BUT GO YOUR WAY TILL THE END. AND YOU
SHALL REST AND SHALL STAND IN YOUR ALLOTTED
PLACE AT THE END OF THE DAYS.”**

[DANIEL 12:13 ESV]

**THE PERFECT ENDING IS A PROMISE
FOR THOSE WHO FOLLOW GOD.**

“ 10 AND BEHOLD, A HAND TOUCHED ME AND SET ME TREMBLING ON MY HANDS AND KNEES. 11 AND HE SAID TO ME, “O DANIEL, MAN GREATLY LOVED, UNDERSTAND THE WORDS THAT I SPEAK TO YOU, AND STAND UPRIGHT, FOR NOW I HAVE BEEN SENT TO YOU.” AND WHEN HE HAD SPOKEN THIS WORD TO ME, I STOOD UP TREMBLING. 12 THEN HE SAID TO ME, “FEAR NOT, DANIEL, FOR FROM THE FIRST DAY THAT YOU SET YOUR HEART TO UNDERSTAND AND HUMBLING YOURSELF BEFORE YOUR GOD, YOUR WORDS HAVE BEEN HEARD, AND I HAVE COME BECAUSE OF YOUR WORDS. 13 THE PRINCE OF THE KINGDOM OF PERSIA WITHSTOOD ME TWENTY-ONE DAYS, BUT MICHAEL, ONE OF THE CHIEF PRINCES, CAME TO HELP ME, FOR I WAS LEFT THERE WITH THE KINGS OF PERSIA, 14 AND CAME TO MAKE YOU UNDERSTAND WHAT IS TO HAPPEN TO YOUR PEOPLE IN THE LATTER DAYS. FOR THE VISION IS FOR DAYS YET TO COME.”

[DANIEL 10:10-14 ESV]

**PRAYER AND PROPHECY ARE DESIGNED FOR US TO
DIG DEEPER AND GROW WITH GOD.**

[DANIEL 8-11 ESV]

**PRAYER AND PROPHECY POSITION US TO
RECEIVE THE LIFE JESUS OFFERS**

[JOHN 3:16; 1 JOHN 4:1-4 ESV]

**“IT IS DOUBTFUL WHETHER GOD CAN BLESS A
MAN GREATLY UNTIL HE HAS HURT HIM DEEPLY.”**

- A.W. TOZER

“BELOVED, DO NOT BELIEVE EVERY SPIRIT, BUT TEST THE SPIRITS TO SEE WHETHER THEY ARE FROM GOD, FOR MANY FALSE PROPHETS HAVE GONE OUT INTO THE WORLD. 2 BY THIS YOU KNOW THE SPIRIT OF GOD: EVERY SPIRIT THAT CONFESSES THAT JESUS CHRIST HAS COME IN THE FLESH IS FROM GOD, 3 AND EVERY SPIRIT THAT DOES NOT CONFESS JESUS IS NOT FROM GOD. THIS IS THE SPIRIT OF THE ANTICHRIST, WHICH YOU HEARD WAS COMING AND NOW IS IN THE WORLD ALREADY. 4 LITTLE CHILDREN, YOU ARE FROM GOD AND HAVE OVERCOME THEM, FOR HE WHO IS IN YOU IS GREATER THAN HE WHO IS IN THE WORLD.”

[1 JOHN 4:1-4 ESV]

**"I SPENT MY LIFE SEARCHING FOR THE MESSIAH,
AND WHEN I FINALLY FOUND HIM, HE WAS JESUS"**

- LEOPOLD COHN

“FOR GOD SO LOVED THE WORLD, THAT HE GAVE HIS ONLY SON, THAT WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM SHOULD NOT PERISH BUT HAVE ETERNAL LIFE.”

[JOHN 3:16 ESV]

“AT THAT TIME SHALL ARISE MICHAEL, THE GREAT PRINCE WHO HAS CHARGE OF YOUR PEOPLE. AND THERE SHALL BE A TIME OF TROUBLE, SUCH AS NEVER HAS BEEN SINCE THERE WAS A NATION TILL THAT TIME. BUT AT THAT TIME YOUR PEOPLE SHALL BE DELIVERED, EVERYONE WHOSE NAME SHALL BE FOUND WRITTEN IN THE BOOK. 2 AND MANY OF THOSE WHO SLEEP IN THE DUST OF THE EARTH SHALL AWAKE, SOME TO EVERLASTING LIFE, AND SOME TO SHAME AND EVERLASTING CONTEMPT. 3 AND THOSE WHO ARE WISE SHALL SHINE LIKE THE BRIGHTNESS OF THE SKY ABOVE; AND THOSE WHO TURN MANY TO RIGHTEOUSNESS, LIKE THE STARS FOREVER AND EVER. 4 BUT YOU, DANIEL, SHUT UP THE WORDS AND SEAL THE BOOK, UNTIL THE TIME OF THE END. MANY SHALL RUN TO AND FRO, AND KNOWLEDGE SHALL INCREASE.”

[DANIEL 12:1-4 ESV]

**THE PERFECT ENDING INCLUDES
RESCUE, RESURRECTION, AND REWARD.**

[DANIEL 12:1-4 ESV]

**THE RAPTURE, TRIBULATION, AND
RESURRECTION ARE REALITIES THAT WILL BRING
EVERYONE TO THEIR KNEES.**

[DANIEL 12:1-4 ESV]

“16 FOR THE LORD HIMSELF WILL DESCEND FROM HEAVEN WITH A CRY OF COMMAND, WITH THE VOICE OF AN ARCHANGEL, AND WITH THE SOUND OF THE TRUMPET OF GOD. AND THE DEAD IN CHRIST WILL RISE FIRST. 17 THEN WE WHO ARE ALIVE, WHO ARE LEFT, WILL BE CAUGHT UP TOGETHER WITH THEM IN THE CLOUDS TO MEET THE LORD IN THE AIR, AND SO WE WILL ALWAYS BE WITH THE LORD.”

[1 THESSALONIANS 4:16-17 ESV]

“4 THEN I SAW THRONES, AND SEATED ON THEM WERE THOSE TO WHOM THE AUTHORITY TO JUDGE WAS COMMITTED. ALSO I SAW THE SOULS OF THOSE WHO HAD BEEN BEHEADED FOR THE TESTIMONY OF JESUS AND FOR THE WORD OF GOD, AND THOSE WHO HAD NOT WORSHIPED THE BEAST OR ITS IMAGE AND HAD NOT RECEIVED ITS MARK ON THEIR FOREHEADS OR THEIR HANDS. THEY CAME TO LIFE AND REIGNED WITH CHRIST FOR A THOUSAND YEARS. 5 THE REST OF THE DEAD DID NOT COME TO LIFE UNTIL THE THOUSAND YEARS WERE ENDED. THIS IS THE FIRST RESURRECTION. 6 BLESSED AND HOLY IS THE ONE WHO SHARES IN THE FIRST RESURRECTION! OVER SUCH THE SECOND DEATH HAS NO POWER, BUT THEY WILL BE PRIESTS OF GOD AND OF CHRIST, AND THEY WILL REIGN WITH HIM FOR A THOUSAND YEARS. “

[REVELATION 20:4-6 ESV]

**“3 AND THOSE WHO ARE WISE SHALL SHINE LIKE THE
BRIGHTNESS OF THE SKY ABOVE; AND THOSE WHO
TURN MANY TO RIGHTEOUSNESS, LIKE THE STARS
FOREVER AND EVER”**

[DANIEL 12:3 ESV]

**WE LIVE IN THE SPACE BETWEEN,
AND WE ARE TO SHINE BRIGHTLY FOR HIM.**

[DANIEL 12:3; MATTHEW 5:14-16 ESV]

“YOU ARE THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD. A CITY SET ON A HILL CANNOT BE HIDDEN. 15 NOR DO PEOPLE LIGHT A LAMP AND PUT IT UNDER A BASKET, BUT ON A STAND, AND IT GIVES LIGHT TO ALL IN THE HOUSE. 16 IN THE SAME WAY, LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BEFORE OTHERS, SO THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD WORKS AND GIVE GLORY TO YOUR FATHER WHO IS IN HEAVEN.”

[MATTHEW 5:14-16 ESV]

WHO WILL BE YOUR PLUS ONE THIS CHRISTMAS?



PICK UP YOUR INVITES TODAY!

FIVE WAYS TO SHINE BRIGHTLY:

- 1. LIVE LIFE AS WELL AS YOU CAN** (BE A WISE WITNESS)
- 2. SEEK THE SHALOM** (YOURS AND THEIRS)
- 3. IGNORE THE LIES** (TURN OFF THE NOISE)
- 4. TRUST GOD'S TRUTH** (TURN UP THE TRUTH)
- 5. PRAY AND SEARCH FOR GOD** (PUT GOD FIRST)

[JEREMIAH 29:5-14 ESV]

NEXT STEP QUESTIONS:

**WILL YOU GIVE THANKS TODAY THAT GOD
HAS THE PERFECT ENDING FOR ALL OF US
THROUGH CHRIST?**

NEXT STEP QUESTIONS:

**WILL YOU LIVE OUT THE FIVE WAYS TO
SHINE BRIGHTLY?**

NEXT STEP QUESTIONS:

**WILL YOU DECIDE TO BELIEVE, RECEIVE,
AND FOLLOW JESUS TODAY?**

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