Lesson 160 Book of Daniel 7-20-2003

1. Last week I taught Dan 12:11, 12 and 13. When time expired I was in the process of teaching The Doctrine of The Second Advent Judgments of Israel and The Gentiles.

2. Before continuing our study of the Second Advent Judgments I want to give you an expanded translation of Daniel chapter twelve.

Dan 12:1 During the Tribulation, Michael, Israel's guardian angel, will establish himself as the protector of your people. Although Israel will experience great distress, Michael will make certain that all things work for the good of God's people. Though Israel will suffer greatly in that period of great persecution, in the end, true Israel will be delivered. All whose names are in the Book of Life will not only be delivered but they shall rule with Christ on earth for one thousand years.

Dan 12:2 Before the beginning of the Millennium, there will be a judgment of Israel. All Israel will stand before the Throne of Christ. Some will be raised and live forever in ecstatic happiness and others will be raised for judgment, shame and everlasting contempt in a lake of fire.

Dan 12:3 Throughout the ages there have been many Jews who wisely believed on their Messiah. These true believers will shine like the brightness of the heavens. Those who led others to the Lord will receive a special reward; they will shine like the stars forever. Dan 12:4 Close up and seal the scroll until the time of the end. From then until now, your people will travel all over the world seeking knowledge, but they will not acquire an understanding of eschatology. It is only during the time of the Great Tribulation that Israel will receive comfort when they see all these prophecies come true.

Dan 12:5 Then I looked up, and there before my eyes were two angels, one on my side of the river and one on the other side. With them was the man wearing the linen garment. Dan 12:6 The man wearing the linen garment was standing in the middle of the river on top of the water. He was asked by one of the angels, "How long will it be before these astonishing things come to pass?"

Dan 12:7 The Man in linen lifted both His hands toward heaven. He then swore by the Lord Jehovah, "It will go on for three and one-half years. When Israel has finally been brought to her knees, then shall the end come."

Dan 12:8 I heard everything the angel asked and I heard the answer from the Man in the linen garment. But I did not understand the meaning. So I asked, "My Lord, how will all this turn out?"

Dan 12:9 The Man answered, "Go, Daniel, and live your very own spiritual life. The prophecies concerning the end times are sealed until the Tribulation. The timing, though imminent, is indefinite."

Dan 12:10 During the Tribulation many will become believers; they will be made spotless and refined as the recipients of God's grace. But those who reject His offering of deliverance will continue in their sins. Unbelievers will not, and in fact, cannot, understand God's plan. But those who have become God's by faith alone in Christ alone, they will understand not only Daniel's vision but the whole realm of eschatology.

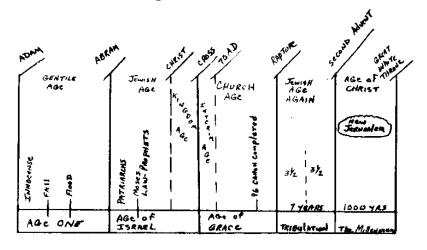
Dan 12:11 From the time the Antichrist rescinds the treaty with your people in the middle of the Tribulation and erects his statue in a wing of the temple until the Messiah destroys the armies of the world will be 1,290 days. The Lord will take 30 days to destroy Babylon, the Armies at Megiddo and Idumaea.

Dan 12:12 After the final battle of Armageddon, there will be a period of 45 days when the carnivorous birds of planet earth arrive to eat the bodies of those slaughtered. Additionally, it is in this period our Lord will set up a judgment seat in the Valley of Jehoshaphat where Jews and gentiles surviving the Tribulation will be judged. Blessed most certainly are those who survive this judgment and follow our Lord into the Millennium. Blessed is the one who waits for and reaches the end of the 1,335 days. Dan 12:13 As for you, Daniel, don't be concerned about all of this; just go your way until the end. You will rest in Sheol in the bosom of Abraham until your Messiah Christ removes your soul to heaven. At His return you will get your Millennial body and receive your allotted inheritance.

- 3. Last week we made it clear from Scripture that from the erection of the image in the Temple in the middle of the Tribulation, 1260 days would transpire and then the Lord Jesus would return to establish His kingdom on earth. The additional 75 days mentioned in verses eleven and twelve provide preparation time for perfect environment.
- 4. Now let's continue our study of:

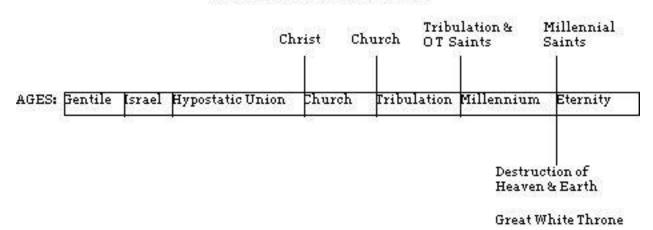
The Doctrine of The Second Advent Judgments of Israel and The Gentiles.

1. Introduction: In connection with the second coming of Jesus Christ there is a resurrection of believing Jews and Gentiles of Ages 1 and 2. The one exception being those believers who survive the Kingdom Age (a sub-age of Age 2) and enter Age 3, they will have their resurrection at the rapture.



- 1.1 There is a separate evaluation of both believing and unbelieving Jews and Gentiles who survive the Tribulation. These attend the events of His second coming.
- 1.2 These judgments have to do with the separation of those of the Tribulation counted worthy to enter the kingdom from those who are counted unworthy and excluded. Worthiness is always a product of faith alone in Christ alone.
- 2. Let's first take a look at the judgment of certain resurrected Israelites and certain Gentiles of the Old Testament, Kingdom Age and Tribulation.
- 2.1 The doctrine of a resurrection is a familiar truth of the Old Testament.

## ORDER OF THE RESURRECTIONS



- 2.2 As you can see from our chart, in addition to Christ's resurrection and the resurrection which takes place at the rapture of the church, there is also a resurrection of certain righteous dead in connection with the Second Advent of Christ.
- 2.3 This is mentioned in: Job 19:25-26; Dan 12:2 and Isa 26:19-21.

Job 19:25 I know that my Redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand upon the earth.

Job 19:26 And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God;

Dan 12:2 Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life ...

Is a 26:19 But your dead will live; their bodies will rise. You who dwell in the dust, wake up and shout for joy. Your dew is like the dew of the morning; the earth will give birth to her dead.

Isa 26:20 Go, my people, enter your rooms and shut the doors behind you; hide yourselves for a little while until his wrath has passed by.

Is a 26:21 See, the LORD is coming out of his dwelling to punish the people of the earth for their sins. The earth will disclose the blood shed upon her; she will conceal her slain no longer.

2.4 The Resurrection of Israel is also seen in connection with her restoration as a nation at the time of the Second Coming.

2.4.1 In Ezekiel 37:1-14 in the vision of the valley of dry bones, we learn that the restoration of the dry bones to a living body is symbolic of the restoration of the nation Israel; it is also the time when Israel will be brought out of their graves.

Eze 37:1 The hand of the LORD was upon me, and he br pought me out by the Spirit of the LORD and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones.

Eze 37:2 He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry.

Eze 37:3 He asked me, "Son of man, can these bones live?" I said, "O Sovereign LORD, you alone know."

Eze 37:4 Then he said to me, "Prophesy to these bones and say to them, 'Dry bones, hear the word of the LORD!

Eze 37:5 This is what the Sovereign LORD says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life.

Eze 37:6 I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the LORD.'"

Eze 37:7 So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together y, bone to bone.

Eze 37:8 I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them.

Eze 37:9 Then he said to me, "Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe into these slain, that they may live."

Eze 37:10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet-- a vast army.

Eze 37:11 Then he said to me: "Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel.

They say 'Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.'

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Eze 37:12 Therefore prophesy and say to them: "This is what the Sovereign LORD says: O

my people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel.

Eze 37:13 Then you, my people, will know that I am the LORD, when I open your graves and bring you up from them.

Eze 37:14 I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the LORD have spoken, and I have done it, declares the LORD."

2.5 In the same chapter David is pictured as a resurrected person serving as a prince over Israel under Christ. Eze 37:21-25

Eze 37:21 and say to them, 'This is what the Sovereign LORD says: I will take the Israelites out of the nations where they have gone. I will gather them from all around and bring them back into their own land.

Eze 37:22 I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel. There will be one king over all of them and they will never again be two nations or be divided into two kingdoms.

Eze 37:23 They will no longer defile themselves with their idols and vile images or with any of their offenses, for I will save them f 'rom all their sinful backsliding, and I will cleanse them. They will be my people, and I will be their God.

Eze 37:24 "'My servant David will be king over them, and they will all have one shepherd. They will follow my laws and be careful to keep my decrees.

Eze 37:25 They will live in the land I gave to my servant Jacob, the land where your fathers lived. They and their children and their children's children will live there forever, and David my servant will be their prince forever.

2.6 In general, the Old Testament clearly teaches a resurrection of the dead but in two steps; first will come the believing dead and then the unbelieving dead.

Dan 12:2 And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

- 2.7 In Revelation 20 the resurrection of the martyred saints of the Tribulation is said to take place in connection with the second coming of Christ. It probably is combined with the resurrection of the Old Testament saints.
- 2.7.1 Those resurrected are said to reign with Christ 1000 years and are apparently rewarded much like the church is rewarded at the Bema.

Rev 20:4 And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.

1Co 3:11 For other foundation can no man lay than that is laid, which is Jesus Christ. 1Co 3:12 Now if any man build upon this foundation gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, stubble;

1Co 3:13 Every man's work shall be made manifest: for the day shall declare it, because it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's work of what sort it is.

1Co 3:14 If any man's work abide which he hath built thereupon, he shall receive a reward.

1Co 3:15 If any man's work shall be burned, he shall suffer loss: but he himself shall be saved; yet so as by fire.

- 2.7.2 With reference to the martyrs of the Tribulation, Lewis Sperry Chafer writes: "Their faithfulness to God even unto death and their service rendered are recognized in their sharing in the reign of Christ upon earth. Some confusion has arisen because of the fact that the church is also said to reign with Christ. Scripture seems to indicate that all the righteous raised before the Millennium will share in some way in the millennial reign, each in his own order and according to the sovereign purpose of God. The church will reign as the Bride of Christ; the resurrected saints will reign in their respective capacities as saved Israelites or saved Gentiles."
- 2.7.3 This is not such a foreign concept in Scripture. An illustration is afforded in the Book of Esther, where Esther reigned as queen while Mordecai reigned as the king's prime minister.
- 2.7.4 Both Esther and Mordecai reigned, but in different ways and in different capacities.
- 2.7.5 So it will be in the Millennium, even as the Father is in Heaven reigning and The Christ with David as His Executive Officer reigns on earth and we reign in some capacity in the New Jerusalem.
- 2.8 Dr. Chafer sums: "Accordingly, it may be concluded that the righteous dead of both Israel and the Gentiles will be raised at the time of the second coming of Christ, and this resurrection will include all who are not involved in the resurrection and translation at the rapture of the church."
- 2.8.1 The righteous dead here described under point two would include believers of the Gentile Age, Jewish Age Proper, Kingdom Age and Tribulation Martyrs.
- 2.8.2 It was our Lord who warned His generation of unbelieving Israelites that at His second coming the saints of Nineveh and the Queen of the South would by their presence stand in condemnation of them. This happens at the GWT when all believers stand with our Lord while He judges them.

Mat 12:39 But he answered and said unto them, An evil and adulterous generation seeketh after a sign; and there shall no sign be given to it, but the sign of the prophet Jonas:

Mat 12:40 For as Jonas was three days and three nights in the whale's belly; so shall the Son of man be three days and three nights in the heart of the earth.

Mat 12:41 The men of Nineveh shall rise in judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: because they repented at the preaching of Jonas; and, behold, a greater than Jonas is here.

Mat 12:42 The queen of the south shall rise up in the judgment with this generation, and shall condemn it: for she came from the uttermost parts of th — Òe earth to hear the wisdom of Solomon; and, behold, a greater than Solomon is here.

2.8.3 Millennial saints will receive their resurrection bodies at the end of the Millennium.

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