

Israel's Distress and Resurrection (part 6)

Daniel 12:1-4

I. TRIBULATION: "a time of distress" (v.1a)

A. Guardian: "Michael...will arise"

1. Rank: "the great prince"
2. Responsibility: "who stands guard"

B. Grief: "there will be a time of distress"

1. Extreme: "time of distress" [Jeremiah 30:7]
2. Exclusive: "such as never occurred"

II. RESURRECTION: "rescued...awake...shine" (vv.1b-3)

A. Delivered: "your people...will be rescued" (v.1b)

B. Decided: "many of those who sleep...will awake" (v.2)

1. Believers: "these to everlasting life"
2. Unbelievers: "others to disgrace and everlasting contempt"

C. Displayed: "those...will shine brightly" (v.3)

1. Internal: "those who have insight"
2. External: "those who lead many to righteousness"

III. AUTHENTICATION: "conceal...and seal up" (v.4)

A. Prophet: "Daniel" (v.4a)

1. Conclusion: "conceal these words"
2. Confirmation: "seal up the book until..."

B. Prophecy: "many will...knowledge will..." (v.4b)

1. Consideration: "many will go back and forth"
2. Comprehension: "knowledge will increase"

Next Week: "Israel's Future Restoration" (part 7)

Read: Daniel 12:5-13