

Daniel 12:1-4 – ““A Time Like There Never Was”

- I. **It's Almost Over...**
- Israel (Jewish people) has experienced tremendous persecution throughout its history
 - The threat of potential distress is very real – consider Mahmoud Ahmadinejad...
 - These future prophecies will occur as certainly & _____ as the already fulfilled ones...
 - We can be certain of last week's lessons regarding the Antichrist
 - Self-willed, unbridled arrogance, blasphemer, irreligious, prosper but only for a time...
 - All part of _____ to refine, purge, and make pure Daniel's people...
 - Many battles will take place in and around the Beautiful Land of Israel – meet his end there...
- II. **Daniel 12:1 – When? What? Who?**
- At that time – the latter half of the 70th week of Daniel 9; last _____ years.
 - The Antichrist's final attempt to annihilate God's Chosen People...
 - Intense angelic warfare – Michael will watch over & protect Daniel's people...
 - The result – time of distress like never before. (See Matthew ____:15, 21)
 - Sounds like Michael must lose but consider Revelation _____...
 - This will lead to the persecution of the woman who gave birth to the male (Israel...Jesus)
 - The persecution will be intense – see Zechariah 13:8
 - At that time, those found in the Book will be rescued!
 - The purpose of Great Tribulation is to test, refine & make pure (Zechariah 13:9)
 - NT lingo – bring the Jewish people to a place to call on Jesus as _____, Lord, & Savior.
- III. **Daniel 12:2: Further Clarification...Wonderful Truth**
- Resurrection! Those whose name written in the Book will awake & enjoy everlasting life.
 - Others will be resurrected to shame and everlasting contempt.
 - Both groups – _____...
 - This is not a general resurrection of all at one time...
 - Revelation 20:4-6 makes clear that this is not the case...
 - Daniel's 1st resurrection occurs at the _____ of the Tribulation; 2nd at the end of _____.
- IV. **Resurrection: Further Clarification...**
- Jesus is the _____.
 - Then resurrection of those asleep at time of Christ's return for His _____, the Church.
 - At the end of the 7 year tribulation, those saints who died during this time will be resurrected.
 - Likely that OT saints will be resurrected at this time as well...
 - At the end of the _____ year reign, those who died apart from God will be judged...
- V. **Daniel 12:3: Encouragement...**
- Those who live through such times (& are the wise ones)...shine forth
 - May refer to _____ or may just describe what it means to have everlasting life...
 - Encouragement – be bold, be strong in your faith...(See Matthew 13:43)
 - One day: Forever be a display of the glories of God's grace upon us – saved by grace through faith.
- VI. **Daniel 12:1-3: Incredible Truths...again**
- In the midst of most difficult times, God provides tremendous hope...
 - Provides timeline of the events to come...
 - Provide the _____ – refining, purging, & making pure...
 - Provide ultimate hope – _____.
 - God is faithful; God is good; God goes to great measures to have a people of His own possession.
 - Our ultimate hope is resurrection as well...
 - Resurrection hope is only for those who know & love Jesus.
 - Those who reject the testimony of Jesus, eternal destiny separated from God.
 - Resurrection hope – imperishable, glory, power, spiritual, _____...(1 Corinthians 15)
 - Live for Christ – shine forth like the sun.

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