

Spiritual Warfare Daniel 10

I. Stressed & Perplexed - 10:1-3

1. Daniel's Final Vision - 1
It was the 3rd year of Cyrus' reign
Return under Zerubbabel in 1st year of Cyrus
Vision covered from return to end time – 10-12
2. New revelation told of trouble ahead - 1
Understood much trouble ahead for his people
3. Daniel mourned & fasted - 2, 3
Spent 3 full weeks (21 days) before the Lord
He prayed for his people (note verse 12)
Sought God's help for his people

II. Seeing God's Glory - 10:4-10

1. Answer came with revelation of God's glory
It was 24th day of 1st month - Passover month - 4
2. He is visited by a man from heaven – 5, 6
Clothed in linen with golden sash about His waist
Body, like beryl; Face like lightning; Eyes, like
flaming torches; Arms & feet, like shiny bronze;
His voice, like the sound of a multitude
Compare description with Revelation 1:13-15
3. Only Daniel saw the vision – 7
Those with him were aware of a presence
In fear they fled to hide themselves
4. Daniel in awe before this man - 8
There was no strength left in him
He was aware of his own weakness
5. He was impacted by his words – 9
He was on his face as if in a deep sleep
6. A hand touched him, raised him up – 10
On his knees & palms of his hands

III. Truth of Spiritual Warfare - 11-15

1. Messenger sent in answer to prayer – 11
He assures Daniel he is greatly beloved
Wants to help Daniel understand the vision
He helps Daniel to stand upright
2. Journey began 1st day of prayer - 12
3. Spiritual warfare delays answer - 13
Prince of Persia withstood him 21 days
Spirit beings are part of Satan's kingdom
Evidently assigned to different nations – 20
Michael assisted messenger in warfare
Michael is Israel's chief prince – 10:21; 12:1
Note also Revelation 12:7
Principalities in Satan's kingdom at war with God
Ephesians 6:10-13
4. Messenger prevailed, reached Daniel - 14
God wants Daniel to understand what is ahead
Message extends to the end times

- Troubles are ahead for Daniel's people
5. Daniel left speechless by message – 15
Message is recorded in Daniel 11-12
It left him face down & speechless

IV. Strengthened by God - 10:16-19

1. His lips are touched – 16-17
He is able to speak again
He speaks of his sorrows for Israel
He is too weak to even speak to the Lord
2. Strengthened by the Lord's touch - 18
3. Comforted by the Lord's words – 19
Fear not, you are greatly beloved
Peace be to you, be strong
He is strengthened by the Lord's words
He is ready to hear the Lord's voice

V. More Battles Ahead – 20-21

1. God's message, more conflict - 20
More battles are ahead with Persia & Greece
But God's kingdom will prevail
2. God's revelation brings light - 21
Prophetic message is the Scripture of Truth
3. God's forces are involved – 21
Michael is the prince assigned to Israel
He leads a host of angels to victory over Satan
Daniel 12:1; Revelation 12:7-12