## December 4, 2022 Daniel 11:36-12:3 "The God Of Daniel"

## PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION

*Gleason L. Archer Jr.* quoted the following:

"Walvoord (pp. 281-82) relates this entire passage to the end times:

The entire section from Daniel 11:36 to 12:3 constitutes a revelation of the major factors of the time of the end, namely: (1) a world ruler, (2) a world religion, (3) a world war, (4) a time of great tribulation for Israel, (5) deliverance for the people of God at the end of the tribulation [by which Walvoord means those who become converted after the NT church has been removed by the Rapture at the beginning of the seventieth Week], (6) resurrection and judgment, and (7) reward of the righteous. All of these factors are introduced in this section. Added elsewhere in the Scriptures are the additional facts that this time of the end begins with the breaking of the covenant by "the prince that shall come" (Dan. 9:26-27); that the "time of the end" will last for three and one-half years (Dan 7:25; 12"7; Rev 13:5); that the time of the end is the same as the time of Jacob's trouble and the great tribulation (Jer 30:7; Mt 24:21).'

This interpretation has much to commend it."

Daniel 11:1-35 contains at least 135 prophecies that have been literally fulfilled and can be corroborated by a study of the history of the period.

- (1)No human can predict the future, especially with such pinpoint accuracy. Therefore, there must be a God in heaven who revealed these matters.
- (2) The divine omniscience and omnipotence of the Lord is set forth. Therefore God has supreme knowledge and power over history. History is His-story.
- (3) For those of us who have lived after all of the predicted events up to this point have occurred, we can have confidence that since those were fulfilled, the subsequent promises of deliverance and triumph will assuredly come true as well. So, this prophecy is to be received as an encouragement to all followers of Jesus Christ.
- (4) The absolute accuracy found in this pericope gives evidence that the Bible is truly a book of supernatural revelation, that is, the Bible is God breathed, see II Timothy 3:16-17.
- (5)Therefore the book of Daniel is a testimony to believers of God's trustworthiness and the trustworthiness of his Word. Gleaned from *Stephen R. Miller*

Truths concerning the resurrection:

- (1) There is a bodily resurrection to come, the body is brought out of the grave and infused with new life.
- (2)This body is immortal.
- (3) Unbelievers too will spend eternity in bodily form.
- (4) The resurrected saints receive great honor and reward, unbelievers receive everlasting shame and torment.

The person in verse 36 is none other than the little horn of Daniel chapter 7, and the ruler who will come in Daniel 9:26. He is known in the NT as the man of lawlessness II Thessalonians 2:3-12, the antichrist in I John 2:18, and the beast of Revelation chapters 11-20. The Antichrist is introduced in vy 36-39; then his wars are described in vy 40-45.

At that time, the Great Tribulation time, there will be the greatest distress on the earth that there has ever been. In the Olivet Discourse Jesus said that if this time had not been cut short, no one would survive. BUT, for the sake of the elect, they will be shortened. There will be war, there will be plagues and more, look up the bowls of wrath in Revelation 16. Is your name written down in the Book Of Life?

## Application:

The God of the universe and the man Daniel, what an awesome pair! Imagine putting your name here, the God of the universe and the man/woman \_\_\_\_\_\_, what an awesome pair. How did Daniel get there? He was simply a prayer warrior who was totally devoted to God. He lived for the glory of God and for the welfare of the people of God. Humble yourself and pray for the Lord to give you "understanding" so that you can and will be used greatly by the God of the universe.

"The Bible is the greatest of all books; to study it is the noblest of all pursuits; to understand it, the highest of all goals." *Charles C. Ryrie*