

JESUS CHRIST PREEMINENT IN ALL BIBLICAL PROPHECY

A Study of Daniel 10 • "Spiritual Warfare in Heavenly Places"

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A. OVERVIEW OF DANIEL 10

- 1. Chapter 10 is really an introduction to chapters 11 and 12.
 - Chapter 10 Introduces the final vision of the book
 - Chapter 11 The vision itself (Final war)
 - Chapter 12 Aftermath and close of the book
- 2. Cyrus, now King of Persia, has given the Jews permission to return and rebuild their temple in Jerusalem.
- 3. We find Daniel "burdened" as he knows the future (of Daniel 9:24-27) and the turmoil that awaits Israel. (Daniel is 80+ but spiritually very alive.)
- 4. We will discover the "players," in the realm of Spiritual Warfare, in Daniel 10.

B. CHRIST'S PREEMINENCE IN BIBLICAL PROPHECY

Chapter 2 – "...stone not cut by human hands..."

Chapter 4 – "...the appearance of fourth is like a son of God...."

Chapter 7 – "...the son of man who is given an everlasting kingdom..."

Chapter 8 - "...the Prince of Princes..."

Chapter 9 – "...the Anointed One...."

Chapter 10 – "I looked up and saw a man...." (Theophany—a preincarnate appearance of Jesus Christ in the OT.)

C. STUDY SECTION

Daniel 10:5–10, NLT -⁵ I looked up and saw a man dressed in linen clothing, with a belt of pure gold around his waist. ⁶ His body looked like a precious gem. His face flashed like lightning, and his eyes flamed like torches. His arms and feet shone like polished bronze, and his voice roared like a vast multitude of people. ⁷ Only I, Daniel, saw this vision. The men with me saw nothing, but they were suddenly terrified and ran away to hide. ⁸ So I was left there all alone to see this amazing vision. My strength left me, my face grew deathly pale, and I felt very weak. ⁹ Then I heard the man speak, and when I heard the sound of his voice, I fainted and lay there with my face to the ground. ¹⁰ Just then a hand touched me and lifted me, still trembling, to my hands and knees.

The Preeminence of Jesus Christ

1. His clothing speaks of His royalty.

⁵ I looked up and saw a man dressed in linen clothing, with a belt of pure gold around his waist.

2. His body is beautiful beyond description.

⁶ His body looked like a precious gem...

3. His face reveals His radiance.

⁶...His face flashed like lightning....

4. His eyes burn through any pretense.

⁶ ...and His eyes flamed like torches...

5. His arms are strong to comfort.

⁶ ...His arms and feet shone like polished bronze...

6. His feet enable Him to walk over danger.

⁶ ...His arms and feet shone like polished bronze...

7. His voice is too loud to ignore.

⁶ ...and His voice roared like a vast multitude of people...

8. His presence is too great to disregard.

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O, what a blessed epilepsy! To tremble at the voice of God... Daniel, here; like Paul, later, on the road to Damascus... would that every man in London could have spiritual epilepsy like this before Holy God!" - C.H. Spurgeon