The 10th Chapter and 11th Chapter of Daniel

In Daniel 10:14 this angel tells Daniel he does not have all the information he needs to go along with Daniel 9:24-27, Daniel's 70th week. There is yet one more vision of the 'latter days'. So stand up and listen to this last vision.

Therefore, (verse 19) fear not, peace be with you (in you) and receive courage and be courageous in receiving this last vision.

How do you get rid of fear?
How do you receive peace?
How do you receive courage?
How are you courageous?
By the FILLING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT!!!

How do you RECEIVE THE FILLING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT?

By GRACE thru FAITH; FAITH in the HOLY SPIRIT!

If you note back at verse 10:1 *message was true and of great* conflict that is not only of conflict in the Tribulation but of the whole Angelic Conflict.

Rare glimpse behind the scenes of History The Angelic Conflict...angels fighting angels. Elect angels fighting fallen angels

Remember fallen angels are determined to interfere with God's plan for history and for the giving of Scripture and the understanding of Scripture Daniel 10:20

20 Then he said, "Do you understand why I came to you? But

I shall now return to fight against the prince of Persia; so I am going forth, and behold, the prince of Greece is about to come.

What is going on here? Time of Urgency!

Daniel, Do you understand why I am here? I have got to give you this information and then I have to get our here and return to battle.

He left a battle in order to get this message to Daniel and as soon as he gives it to Daniel, he must get back to the battle, to fight against the prince (demonic angel) O Persia.

Time is moving on Daniel; you have already seen the first empire of Babylon go down and you are now living in the second kingdom of Persia; but soon to come is the empire of Greece to conquer the Persian Empire.

And behold the prince of Greece is about to come—on the scene of history in

The Angelic Conflict

First of all note the mentioning of Persia and Greece here together.

Remember this is long before anyone ever even thought of Greece as a world empire.

The prince of Greece is *not Alexander the Great*, but was the demon over Greece who will usher in the Alexander the Great and who is in charge of the Hellenization of the world, including Israel. When Alexander the Great comes on the scene – accomplishes all this demon hoped for and all that God allowed.

We have seen these empires all through Daniel, starting in chapter 2 with Nebuchadnezzar's dream. Then we saw in the four beast of chapter 7. You will remember that in chapter 2 is how man views these empires in the image of giant man, while in chapter 7, how God views them as wild beast. One empire of the four has already been on the scene and has fallen.

That was the head of gold of Babylon, or the lion with wings of an eagle. while the second, Persia – the breast and arms of silver or the bear raised up on one side then will come the third kingdom belly and thighs of bronze or the leopard with wings and four heads which represented the empire of Greece. This one was followed by the fourth kingdom, legs of iron and feet of clay or a terrifying beast representing the empire of Rome.

Daniel, himself, has lived to see the first two but now this angel tells him that the third beast, Greece, is coming.

In verse 21 we are allowed to look at what cannot be seen by the eye in world history—The Angelic Conflict going on right up to this day!

21 "However, I will tell you what is inscribed in

the writing of truth. Yet there is no one who stands firmly with me against these forces except Michael your prince.

There is so much in verses 20-21. In verse 20...Why I am coming to you?... To bring you the Word of God.

Then verse 21 | will tell you what is inscribed in the writing of truth.

Then I have to return to fight—verse 21...stands with me against these forces

This is why it is so important to always remember Ephesians 6 where we are not to fight angelic demons but to stand firm having put on the whole armor of God. We are of no match against angelic forces.

We are not to fight and struggle against One Another, biting One Another, devouring One Another (Galatians 5); we are not to judge or compete with One Another, but we are to love One Another (Spiritual Love), encourage One Another, restore One Another. But demonic angels are attacking the earth, nations and believers.

But what about:-I've got to get back to battle but before I go I will tell you what is inscribed in the writing of truth.

I will tell you what is inscribe in the writing of truth

Angels often bring the Word of God to man. One of the most dramatic places to see this is in Revelation 1:1.

¹ The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond-servants, the things which must soon take place; and He sent and communicated it by His angel to His bond-servant John,

All through Revelation angels have a predominate position of transmitting the Word of God to John and of administering the judgments from God to man.

In the fifth chapter of Galatians, we learn that the Mosaic Law was transmitted by an angel.

And, of course, here in Daniel an angel is bringing this message to Daniel. So you can see yet another reason for the warfare between angels for Satan does not want the message from God to reach man.

Writing of truth

First go back to verse 1 **The message or word was tru**e
The writing of truth is the prophetic outline of history from God who cannot lie.

The writing of truth is the prophetic outline of history by the Sovereign, Omnipotent God. And no one can prevent these prophesies from being fulfilled throughout all history.

Wisdom of God from book of Daniel

If you desire to understand history of the world you have to start with the written the Word of God. This is, also, true of science. This is true of understanding religion in history. You have to start with the Word of God. You have to learn the Word of God first.

But there will always be opposition to God's plan of history.

Opposition from man, opposition from angels.

This is the message of verses 10:21 and 11:1.

Note Psalms 2: gives us man's opposition to God's plan of history

Psalms 2:1-3

 1 Why are the nations in an uproar 2 And the peoples devising a vain thing?

² The kings of the earth take their stand And the rulers take counsel together Against the LORD and against His Anointed, saying,

³ "Let us tear their fetters apart And cast away their cords from us!"

Psalms 2:4-6

⁴ He who sits in the heavens laughs, The Lord scoffs at them.

⁵ Then He will speak to them in His anger

And terrify them in His fury, saying,

⁶ "But as for Me, I have installed My King Upon Zion, My holy mountain."

Verses 4-6 God's response to the plans of man. It does not matter how much of the Word of God you know. There will be opposition to your living a life to Glorify Jesus Christ, opposition to your learning the Word of God.

Daniel 10:21

²¹ I will tell you what is inscribed in the writing of truth. Yet there is no one who stands firmly with me against these forces except Michael, your prince.

This cannot be seen by the physical eye, but there is a powerful warfare going on in the **Invisible Realm**, between angels. We are not told why Gabriel and other angels do not take their stand in this warfare; however, only Michael takes a stand.

Question:

Where do you take your stand against opposition to the Word of God?

²¹ Except Michael – your prince

Michael is the prince of Israel!

It may look like Satan and his demonic hosts are winning but in the end the message of truth will be fulfilled

The angel wanted to teach more from Scripture of truth but Michael is fighting against the powers of darkness to make sure the prophecies of

Scripture do not get to Daniel and that they do not come to pass. Satan knows the prophecies of truth and is fully intent to prevent them from happening.

As to Michael ("Who is like God") being the guardian of Israel; he is throughout scripture defending Isaiah.

In Jude 9 Michael contended with Satan over the body of Moses.

⁹ But Michael the archangel, when he disputed with the devil and argued about the body of Moses, did not dare pronounce against him a railing judgment, but said, "The Lord rebuke you!"

Why? What is so special about the body of Moses?

Moses is destined by God along with Elijah will be the two witnesses in middle of Tribulation (Revelation 11:3-12). So Satan sought to thwart the Plan of God. However, we know from Deuteronomy 34:5-6 that God Himself buried Moses. What a funeral... buried by God, and no one attended the funeral service...but that is ok because he was coming back ... and so are you!

Deuteronomy 34:5-6

⁵ So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the

word of the LORD.

⁶ And He buried him in the valley in the land of Moab, opposite Beth-peor; but no man knows his burial place to this day.

Daniel 11:2 through chapter 12 addresses the final vision, so let's note

Daniel 11:1

¹ "In the first year of Darius the Mede, I arose to be an encouragement and a protection for him.

Daniel 11

When we first started the study of book of Daniel we spent some time on how the book of Daniel is the most challenged book of the bible by various scholars of the Bible.

Chapter 11 is the most challenged chapter of the Bible

1 Historical development of the study of the Bible.

To begin with you must always bear in mind that **Satan seeks to discredit the bible**, the Word of God. And he started this right
from the beginning in the garden where he challenged the Word of
God with Eve.

- We are all encouraged in the Bible to carefully, diligently to study the bible to determine what it is saying. (Ezra 7:10-11; Acts 8:26-31 and 17:11; 2 Timothy 2:15) This has come to be called "lower criticism" or "textual criticism". Here we study the manuscripts of the text to determine original writing and meaning of the text. Here we are totally <u>dependent upon the HOLY SPIRIT to illuminate each passage</u> for us. This demands a great deal of time of study.
 - 3 Lower Criticism –textual criticism is strongly opposed by what is called today "Higher criticism" or "Historical criticism"

They are more concerned about "the <u>world</u> behind the text", than they are the *text* itself.

- ⁴ Fundamental to *Higher criticism* is the view that **the God of the Bible cannot tell what is going to happen in the future**. Therefore any book (Daniel) that declares what is going to happen and subsequently it happens *must have been written after the fact.* **God simply cannot tell the future.**
- 5 We have noted many times that the ability to tell what is going to happen -- and it happens—is one of the great tests on who is sufficient to be God..

Isaiah 40:18

...to whom then will you liken God?

Or what likeness will you compare with Him? Isaiah 40:25

... to whom then will you liken Me? That I would be his equal?" says the Holy One.

- > WE CANNOT PROVE JESUS CHRIST IS THE SON OF GOD— It is by Faith
- > WE CANNOT PROVE THE RESURRECTION OF JESUS CHRIST— It is by Faith
- > WE CANNOT PROVE ONE MIRACLE
 JESUS CHRIST PERFORMED— It is by Faith
- > WE CANNOT PROVE THAT EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES IN JESUS CHRIST HAS ETERNAL LIFE AND EVERYONE WHO REFUSES TO BELIEVE IN JESUS CHRIST WILL SPEND ALL ETERNITY IN LAKE OF FIRE. It is by Faith

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