

Daniel

Chapter 9

24- Seventy sevens are determined upon the people and the holy city to finish the transgression to make and end of sins to make reconciliation for iniquity to bring in everlasting righteousness and to seal up the vision and the prophecy and to anoint the Most Holy¹.

Chapter 10

7- And I Daniel alone saw the vision for the men that were with me saw not the vision but a great trembling fell on them and they ran away and hid themselves².

¹ All but the final seven years has already been completed. The 69th seven was completed 2000 years ago when the Messiah, Christ Jesus was cut off, put to death (Daniel 9:26). When Christ Jesus was put to death on the cross He bore our sins in His own body so that righteousness could begin to reign where sin once dominated (1 Peter 2:24; Romans 6:6, 18, 22). Although there will be a day when there is nothing but righteousness in the earth the Lord Jesus brought in everlasting righteousness when He set down at the right hand of God and poured out the Holy Ghost. Through His death, burial, resurrection and exaltation He gave to us the gift of the righteousness of God (Hebrews 1:8; Ephesians 4:24; Philippians 1:11; Romans 10:3; 2 Corinthians 5:21; 1 John 2:29; 3:7).

Though there will be a day in the future when the Kingdom of God will come to reign over all the earth those who have been born of God have already been translated into the kingdom of the dear Son (Colossians 1:13; Ephesians 2:6; John 14:23). Through the blood of Jesus, God has plotted out all of our sins and iniquities and given to us a new heart and a new spirit that we might learn to walk in all of His ways (Hebrews 8:12; 10:17). There is one thing for certain you do not want to miss out on this. The time of this so great of salvation is now! This is the acceptable year of the Lord! All who call upon Him will be saved. Jesus Christ who is the Most Holy has been exalted to the right hand of the Father. He has been anointed King of kings and Lord of lords. He has been given a name and authority above all others now and in the future. He reigns supremely above all principalities and powers.

Right now, only for a space of time, Father is allowing men to decide their eternal position. He carries but not for long. He endures the treachery and the blasphemy against His name and His works but not for long. Will you bow before His majesty? Will you accept His rulership? Will we yield to the spirit of obedience and the Spirit of Holiness that has been poured out freely and abundantly upon whosoever will? Listen this is not about your ideas and notions of who God is the issue goes far deeper, are you willing to know God? Are you willing to come under the Kingship and the Lordship of Christ Jesus in obedience to His will! The time is now, today is the day of His salvation! The time is fast coming to a close. Do you know Jesus? Is there any chance He may say to you depart from me you worker of iniquity, I never knew you? Let the whole world tremble and let all of the people of the Lord fear before His presence!

² There are some manifestations of the presence of God that strike great terror in the hearts of all those who are near. Although the effect of such encounters are different for those to whom they are being personally directed (like Moses, Daniel, and Paul), everyone around was overwhelmed with trembling (Hebrews 12:21; Acts 9:3-8). When men encounter such an awesome presence of God, they lose their strength and fall to the ground under the power of His presence (Daniel 10:8-9; Ezekiel 1:28; Acts 9:4; Revelation 1:17). Even the mountains tremble at the presence of the Lord and are shaken to the foundations at His awesome power (Psalm 114:7; Nahum 1:5). When God stretched forth His hand to assist Jonathan and his armorbearer, all of the army trembled, as well as the earth; for there was a great trembling (1 Samuel 14:15).

All the inhabitants of the earth shall also tremble at the presence of the Lord when He moves in His awesome and sovereign power (Isaiah 64:2). All the earth and even the heavens will shake before the presence of God's army, which executes His will (Joel 2:10). Both when Jesus breathed out his last breath, and when he rose up triumphant from the dead, and death was conquered by His life: the earth shook and

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3- The righteous will shine with the brightness of the firmament and those who turn many to righteousness as the stars for everlasting and forever³.

the rocks exploded at His mighty presence (Matthew 27:50-52; Matthew 28:1-2). The voice of the Lord shook the earth when God spoke from Sinai, and His voice will shake the earth again (Hebrews 12:26). God will move in His mighty power and will shake the heavens and the earth, and bring down the kingdoms of men (Haggai 2:6-7; 21). God will also shake His church in His goodness and His mercy, as one shakes a person to awaken them from a deep sleep - and there will be yet a greater spiritual awakening once again.

³ There are many things that God revealed to Daniel about the last days yet this has to be one of the greatest ones. The word of God reveals that the wise are those who win souls (Proverbs 11:30). Thus those who reach the lost shall shine with the brightness of the firmament. Although, we could say that the wise are those who fear the Lord and walk in obedience to God's word the focus of this passage is about turning others to righteousness.

Once we have begun to behold the beauty and splendor of the ways of God our relationship with Him becomes the most important thing in our lives. When we discover the access that we have into His presence it becomes the most valuable thing that we have. Through this interaction that we have with the Almighty the light of His presence begins to be revealed through our lives. As a result we arise and shine and His glory is revealed through us (Isaiah 60:12; 2 Corinthians 4:6). It is through showing forth the praises of the One that called us out of darkness that those who set in darkness can be turned to righteousness (1 Peter 2:9; Matthew 6:16). If we will walk in the light of life given to us in Christ Jesus then surely we will turn many to righteousness. One day our mortal bodies will put on immortality and we will see Him as He is because we will be like Him and we will shine as the stars throughout eternity (1 Corinthians 15:54; 1 Peter 5:4; 1 John 3:2).