We come now to the conclusion of Daniel’s 4th vision which began in Chapter 10.

- In spite of the chapter division found in both the English and Hebrew Bibles, Daniel’s final vision continues from 11:45 through 12:3 without interruption.  
- Archer points out that the closing verses of Dan 11 describe Antichrist’s military and political career, whereas his internal policy of “brutal oppression and persecution” toward God’s people is set forth in 12:1.  
  - Verse 1 also relates the final deliverance of the saints, followed in vv. 2–3 with an account of their glorious condition in the messianic kingdom.  

1 “At that time Michael shall stand up,  
The great prince who stands watch over the sons of your people;  
And there shall be a **time of trouble,**  
Such as never was since there was a nation,  
Even to that time.  
And at that time your people shall be delivered,  
Everyone who is found written in **the book.**

- **At that time?**  
  - When Chap 11:36-45 occurs (Antichrist days)  
  - Daniel 11:35 – “the time of the end”  
  - Yet to come in our day

---

2 Archer, “Daniel,” 149.  
3 Maccabean date adherents continue to apply this material to the reign of Antiochus (e.g., Goldingay, Daniel, 305–6; Driver, Daniel, 200; Anderson, Signs and Wonders, 145). According to these scholars, the author has once more erroneously predicted the end “as beginning immediately after the death of Antiochus” (Jeffery, “Daniel,” 541).
Michael

(lit.: “who is like God?”)

He is the great Archangel that helped Gabriel overcome the Prince of Persia and Prince of Greece. (Daniel 10:13-14; 20-21)

Michael fought with the Devil over Moses’ body and won:

Jude 9 Yet Michael the archangel, in contending with the devil, when he disputed about the body of Moses, dared not bring against him a reviling accusation, but said, “The Lord rebuke you!”

Michael will throw the Devil out of the Heavenly realm soon:

Revelation 12:7-9 (NKJV)
7 And war broke out in heaven: Michael and his angels fought with the dragon; and the dragon and his angels fought,
8 but they did not prevail, nor was a place found for them in heaven any longer.
9 So the great dragon was cast out, that serpent of old, called the Devil and Satan, who deceives the whole world; he was cast to the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

“time of trouble”:

Names of the Tribulation period in Scripture:

Isaiah 34:8 A day of vengeance
Jer. 30:7 A time of trouble for Jacob (Israel)
Dan. 9:24-27 The 70th week
Zeph. 1:14-16 The great day of the Lord
A day of wrath
A day of distress and anguish
A day of trouble and ruin
A day of darkness and gloom
A day of clouds and blackness
A day of trumpet and battle cry

Matthew 24:21-22 “For then there will be great tribulation, such as has not been since the beginning of the world until this time, no, nor ever shall be. 22 “And unless those days were shortened, no flesh would be saved; but for the elect’s sake those days will be shortened.

Revelation 12:13-18 Now when the dragon saw that he had been cast to the earth, he persecuted the woman who gave birth to the male Child. 14 But the woman was given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness to her place, where she is nourished for a time and
times and half a time, from the presence of the serpent. 15 So the serpent spewed water out of his mouth like a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away by the flood. 16 But the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened its mouth and swallowed up the flood which the dragon had spewed out of his mouth. 17 And the dragon was enraged with the woman, and he went to make war with the rest of her offspring, who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

- “your people” – Daniel’s people are: Israel
- “rescued” – some believe to Petra during the last ½ of the Tribulation
- “the book” – can only be the Lamb’s book of life

Revelation 20:11-15  Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. 12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. 13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. 14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death. 15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

“LOVE” – keeps no record of your wrongdoing
- God is NOT keeping a record of wrongdoing of any of His blood bought, born again, baptized believers!

1 Corinthians 13:4–5 (NIV)  
4 Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.  
5 It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. 4

2 And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake,
Some to everlasting life,
Some to shame and everlasting contempt.

And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life,
and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

**2 great Resurrections:**

**1st Resurrection: (4 phases)**
- **Phase 1:** Resurrection of Jesus and some old testament saints 3 days after His crucifixion.
- **Phase 2:** Resurrection of the church at the Rapture, before the Tribulation period begins.
- **Phase 3:** Resurrection of the 2 witnesses near the Tribulation mid-point.
- **Phase 4:** Resurrection of the Tribulation saints and the remainder of the Old Testament Saints at the end of the Tribulation period.

**2nd Resurrection – To Eternal Damnation:**
- **Phase 1:** Resurrection of all the unbelievers at the end of the millennial reign of Christ Jesus.
Romans 8:1  There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit.

Romans 8:31-39
31 What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us?
32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things?
33 Who shall bring a charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies.
34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us.
35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?
36 As it is written: “For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.”
37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us.
38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come,
39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- Noah Hutchings: “The resurrection of the church is not in view here because the Rapture of the Church will have already occurred. There is no evidence that the church will go through the Tribulation. Every saved person of the dispensation of grace will be resurrected before the Tribulation begins. Daniel was not concerned about the Gentiles; he was concerned about “his people.” The resurrection described by the Lord in this Scripture relates only to Israel.”

3 Those who are wise shall shine
Like the brightness of the firmament,
And those who turn many to righteousness
Like the stars forever and ever.

5 Hutchings, Noah, EXPLORING THE BOOK OF DANIEL, pp 285-286
'And those who have insight shall shine like the brightness of the expanse, and those who lead many to righteousness like the stars forever and ever'.

Daniel 12:3
• What a great promise to those that win souls for Christ!
• Who are the “wise” of this world?
  o Those that follow Christ Jesus with all their heart, mind, soul, and strength.
  o Bumper sticker: “Wise Men Still Seek Him”

  **Proverbs 4:18-19**  But the path of the just is like the shining sun,
  That shines ever brighter unto the perfect day.
  19 The way of the wicked is like darkness;
  They do not know what makes them stumble.

  **1 Corinthians 1:18-25**
  18 For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.
  19 For it is written: “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise,
  And bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.”
  20 Where is the wise?
  Where is the scribe?
  Where is the disputer of this age?
  Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?
  21 For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.
  22 For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom;
  23 but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness,
  24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.
  25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men.

  4 “But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.”

• **Jack Van Impe**: “Isn’t it strange that expositions of this book (Daniel) were not attempted until recent times? No expositor
made and published an attempt to explain Daniel, verse by verse, until the 20th century!”

- **Unbelievable increase in the speed of transportation in just this past century**
  - Daniels day – **FAST** was about 35 mph on a **REALLY good horse**.
    - 1900 – not much different than Daniel’s day – about 35 mph top speed
  - The **maglev** train service began operating in 2004 with trains reaching a top speed of 431 km/h (268 mph), and remains the fastest high-speed service in the world. **Maglev**, however, was not adopted nationally and all subsequent expansion features high-speed rail on conventional tracks.
  - A street-legal Passenger car now has a top speed 267 mph. (Bugatti Veyron).

- Average cruising speed for a passenger jet is around 575 mph. Jun 8, 2017
  - That is, however, a patch on the top speed ever reached by an aircraft, a record held by the Lockheed Blackbird, which tickled 2,193 mph in 1976. The United States Air Force

---


7 The **Bugatti Veyron EB 16.4** is a mid-engine sports car, designed and developed in Germany by the Volkswagen Group and manufactured in Molsheim, France, by Bugatti. It was named after the racing driver Pierre Veyron. The original version has a top speed of 407 km/h (253 mph). It was named Car of the Decade and best car award (2000–2009) by the BBC television programme **Top Gear**. The standard Bugatti Veyron also won Top Gear's Best Car Driven All Year award in 2005. The Super Sport version of the Veyron is recognized by Guinness World Records as the fastest street-legal production car in the world, with a top speed of 431.072 km/h (267.856 mph). The roadster Veyron Grand Sport Vitesse version is the fastest roadster in the world, reaching an averaged top speed of 408.84 km/h (254.04 mph) in a test on 6 April 2013.
reconnaissance aircraft was so fast its missile evasion technique was simply to accelerate and out-fly it. 8

- The “top-speed” of the Blackbird is classified information but estimated to FAR exceed Mach 2.

- Unbelievable increase in the amount of knowledge this century.
  - Estimated that it took 1700 years for knowledge to double since Christ Jesus.
  - Currently it is estimated that knowledge doubles about every year!
    - Buckminster Fuller created the “Knowledge Doubling Curve”; he noticed that until 1900 human knowledge doubled approximately every century. By the end of World War II knowledge was doubling every 25 years. Today things are not as simple as different types of knowledge have different rates of growth. For example, nanotechnology knowledge is doubling every two years and clinical knowledge every 18 months. But on average human knowledge is doubling every 13 months. According to IBM, the build out of the “internet of things” will lead to the doubling of knowledge every 12 hours. 9

---

8 https://www.telegraph.co.uk/travel/travel-truths/which-passenger-jet-plane-flies-the-fastest/
9 http://www.industrytap.com/knowledge-doubling-every-12-months-soon-to-be-every-12-hours/3950