

## Daniel 12:

### I. The Great Tribulation (1).

This is the last 3 and a-half years of the reign of the Anti-Christ. Arch-angel Michael has a special job in protecting Israel.

The great tribulation is such that God is pouring down judgment upon the Anti-Christ and his followers, as well as the Anti-Christ pouncing upon Christians.

**Matthew 24:21** - *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.*

Through the great tribulation God will preserve His children physically and spiritually.

**Genesis 17:7** - *And I will establish My covenant between Me and you and your descendants after you in their generations, for an everlasting covenant, to be God to you and your descendants after you.*

### II. The Resurrection (2-3).

Here we see the resurrection of the righteous to be rewarded and the ungodly to be destroyed in hell. Those who live in God's wisdom will **shine**. Despite all the calamity, all the difficulty coming upon Israel, God has **those who are wise**, and they **shall shine!**

**Matthew 13:38-43** – *“The field is the world, the good seeds are the sons of the kingdom, but the tares are the sons of the wicked one.”“The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are the angels. “Therefore as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of this age.”“The Son of Man will send out His angels, and they will gather out of His kingdom all things that offend, and those who practice lawlessness,“and will cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.”**Then the righteous will shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father.** He who has ears to hear, let him hear!*

### III. Inheritance(4-13).

The words should be kept safely until the time when they were needed. **Running around and knowledge increasing:** This has more the idea of *searching after knowledge* than *rapid forms of transportation*.

- A world ruler, ascending peacefully but utterly opposed to God.
- A world religion, based on the Satanism.
- A world war, which defeats the ruler.
- Deliverance for the people of God through the tribulation.
- The Second Coming Of Jesus Christ.
- Resurrection and judgment.
- The reward of the righteous.

How long will the time of trouble be? Three and a-half years.

The people of Israel will seem completely crushed as these things end, but at that time, the Messiah - upon whom they will trust before He returns - will return to rescue them.

"My lord, what shall be the end of these things?"

God will purify and preserve His people, and has set a limit

Adam Clarke draws the following points from [Daniel 12:13](#):- Every man has his **way** to go.- Every man has an **end**.- There is a **rest** provided for the people of God.- There is an **inheritance** for the people of God.

**Psalm 37:18** - *The LORD knows the days of the upright, and their inheritance shall be forever.*

**Colossians 3:23-24** - *And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ.*