



THE MATRIX

Daniel 10:1-21

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1. Consider that the accelerating pace of cultural change in the United States (and perhaps the world) is increasingly anti-God and anti-God's people. In the United States, the evangelical church is a sub-culture comprising about 7% of the population and is losing ground to the rapid pace of population growth. While we are hurting ourselves from within, the external climate is increasingly turning against evangelicals. The fastest growing sub-cultures in the United States increasingly demonstrate a growing militancy against evangelicals. In considering these trends, have you ever wondered what the future will be like for the Church and/or yourself and/or your family as you seek to follow God?

The summary of chapters 10-12 (verse 1)

1. Is there any part of the summary given in verse 1 that stands out to you as significant?

The setting of the vision (verses 2-9)

1. What might have been Daniel's motivation in seeking after God?
2. Have you ever pleaded with God on behalf of someone else?
3. Have you ever approached God in a manner similar to Daniel's (i.e. with physical actions demonstrative of your heart attitude? See also Daniel 9:3)? If so, what were the circumstances and was that like?

How Daniel was encouraged (verses 10-21)

1. How did God encourage Daniel?
2. How did the angel encourage Daniel?
3. How do you think Daniel might have felt as he experienced the interaction with the angel?

Processing All That...

1. From today's message, what is the meaning of the following statements and what difference might that meaning make for you as you live life?
 - a) We are never alone.
 - b) The reason life seems like a battle is because it is.
2. Consider what the following verses reveal about angels and the difference these truths might make in your life:

Their origin, nature, & purpose:

- Nehemiah 9:6:
- Psalm 103:20:
- Matthew 22:30:
- Matthew 26:53:
- Luke 20:34-36:
- Colossians 1:16:
- Revelation 5:11,12:

Satan & fallen angels (demons):

- Ezekiel 28:14-17; Jude 6:
- John 8:44:
- Revelation 20:10:

Those in Christ, angels, & spiritual warfare:

- Matthew 18:10:
- Luke 15:10:
- Romans 8:37-39; 16:20:
- Ephesians 6:10-12:
- Hebrews 1:14:
- Revelation 19:10:

3. What from today's study might you be able to share with others you come into contact with this week?