

Daniel 12

Study Guide

Read Daniel chapter 8 in its entirety, and then reread it answering the following questions.

Remember to incorporate the 3 C's & 5 W's

(Content, Context, Cross-reference)

Who, What, Where, When, Why)

Additionally, as you read, note where God's influence is evident.

Context: Chapter 11 is a continuation of chapter 10. Daniel is given more information pertaining to what would happen over the next 4 centuries. The angel highlights that there will be several more kings of Persia, then Greece, then an unnamed king, and continues concludes in chapter 12.

Read verses 1-4 As you read these verses, do they sound ominous and threatening?

What does it mean "at that time?"

Is this a continuation of chapter 11:40?

Why does God share this with Daniel?

How is God's character revealed here?

The angel mentions there is a time of trouble unlike any other time in history.

What could this mean for humanity? What does this mean for Daniel's people?

In verse 1, there is a book mentioned. What book is it, and is it important?

Verse 2 pertains to a resurrection. What does this mean and who is involved?

In verse 4, the angel tells him to shut up the words and seal the book. How long is this supposed to be?

What does it mean when the angel says "many will go here and there to increase knowledge?"

Read verses 5-13.

How does Daniel paint the scene in verse 5?

Verse 6's "how long" is the concern for Daniel and many of us today.

Daniel's concern is for the people, but God regularly shares a vision of the future.

The future generally pertains to a king who is a tyrant and will make the lives of God's people difficult. Why is God more interested in showing the future than directly assuaging Daniel's concerns for God's people?

How is verse 13 is an affirmation and encouragement to Daniel. Throughout the book of Daniel, he has been dealing with a series of mysterious dreams and visions. Sometimes, he has been the interpreter, and others he needed an interpreter. What lessons can we take from his example in dealing with these mysteries and apply it to our walk with God?

Food for thought.

1. Is there a relationship between wisdom and faithfulness to God in chapter 12?
2. Having studied the whole book of Daniel, what is your perspective now?
3. What new takeaways have you learned?
4. If you could sum up the book of Daniel, what would you say?
5. How has the character of God been revealed to you in the book of Daniel?