Daniel 76 – Grace in Tribulation (Hope)

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Daniel 12:11-12

Prologue: Mysterion – Israel's Partial Hardness

- God reveals that a partial hardness remains on the Jews during First Fruits Dispensation so God can harvest His Gentiles (Church) (Ro 11:25-29; Ep 1:3-14)
 - This is to drive them to zealousness for God realizing they are not special simply because of genetics but for of faithfulness also (Ro 3:5-11)
 - The Elect obtain understanding, as discussed, but the Lost remained hardened in their sin; God gives them up to achieve a world without God (Ro 1:18-25; 9-11)
 - In their eagerness to rule the world they dismiss Christ's example that He who is greatest is least or slave, in God's Kingdom as Himself (Lk 9:46-48; 22:25-27; Ph 2:3-11)
 - Jews saved in this Dispensation enter the Church, as Paul, who claimed he was born out of time because of this fact (1Co 15:3-10)
 - But, ALL Elected Jews shall be saved; now and during the Great Tribulation (Ro 9:1-8, 30-33; 10:1-4, 18-21; 11:1-10)

Prologue: Mysterion – God Reveals to the Church

- God reveals His Mysterion to us, the Church; however, many Lost infiltrate the Church and the immature fall victim to pride replacing Jews (Ep 1:7-10)
 - Marriage is a metaphor for relationship between Christ and His Church (Ep 5:22-33)
 - Church as the Body of Christ hidden throughout the Old Testament until revealed by revelation to Paul and written for our edification (Col 1:24-27)
 - Faith is a mysterion to the Lost but the Saved are to cling to it with a clear conscience lest they return to sinning; it is not a blind leap (1Ti 3:8-9; 2Pe 2:20-22)
 - Christians must guard against pride less they also fall victim to pride as the Jews
 (Ro 11:17-32)
- Mysterion of Lawlessness at work in Modern Era using The Delusion (2Th 2:3-12)
 - This is <u>not</u> a mysterion for the Saved but neither should it be the focus of one's faith
 - We are to know its patterns while evangelizing the World for Christ so we do not fall prey to the Delusion (Mt 28:18-20)

God Gives Grace: To the Mature

- God closes Daniel in grace {Hope} to the mature (Ro 5:1-5; 8:23-25; He 5:11-14)
- These two verses have caused great consternation throughout the church age because of:
 - Heretical Replacement Theology Church replaced the Jews as God's people
 - Rejection of Dispensationalism Belief Church goes through the Great Tribulation
 - Hyperliteralism Demanding precision not inherent in ancient peoples; accuracy that we believe we possess
 - Ignorance of purpose of Temple Worship Anticipated Christ's sacrifice in every aspect which the False Jews rejected when He came
 - Misplaced loyalty Conflating False Jews with True Jews; who are not yet revealed

Temple Sacrifices Restarted: Christ's Open Shame

- Hebrews written for the "to be revealed" True Jews who are summoned out of the nations when the Church is taken out of the World to be with Christ (1Co 15:50-55; 1Th 4:16-18)
 - Church gains appreciation that God's calling is irrevocable (Ro 11:29-31)
 - Points Jews to Jesus as Messiah based on the Old Testament (He 1)
 - Defines Maturity of laying aside elementary aspects of worship (He 5:11-6:8)
- Christ died once on stauros for sin and accepted by the Father, sacrificial system ceased its function (He 5:5-10)
 - Continually looking back at Christ's death on the stauros emphasizes one's contempt for His ONE sacrifice which does you harm; Jew's shame (He 6:1-8)
 - When Jews rebuild the Temple and reinitiate the sacrificial system beginning of the Great Tribulation they emphasize their blasphemy, not their faith in God, as they sacrifice to demons (De 32:17-21; 1Co 10:20-22)

Ending the Regular: Preparing for Antichrist

- Thus, False Jews prepare Temple for Antichrist as they <u>already</u> sacrifice to Satan; they are demonstrating they are thorns to be burned (Is 1:10-20; He 6:7-8)
 - Taking away the Regular Ascending (Burnt) Offering supplied by translators but I believe it refers to the entire Temple system as Antiochus IV did (cf. Da 11:31)
 - Antichrist removes the entire system and declares himself god and accepts worship; possibly with the unveiling of his living idol by his False Prophet (Re 13:11-17)
 - Desolation Abomination is direct worship of Satan via Antichrist which False Jews have been doing since Golden Calf (Ex 32:1-9)
 - ► False Jewish worship, Babylon harlot, destroyed by what they worshipped (Re 17)
 - True Jews who see this are to flee Jerusalem to avoid their destruction (Mt 24:15-22)

Daniel's 70th Period of Seven: Seven Years = Great Tribulation

- Daniel's 70th group of seven {years} begins with the revealing of Antichrist's rule {And God's returning Earth to its one continent state over 7 years}
 (Da 9:27; Re 8:6-9:2)
 - ► Half-way {3.5 years; 42 lunar months or 1260 days} the Regular ceases
 - The Two Prophets shall witness against False Jews for 1260 days then die for three days before being resurrected and publicly ascending to Heaven (Re 11:1-13)
 - Antichrist begins his revealing transition 30 days before the end of 1260 days and will continue for the remaining 3.5 years {1260 days} in murderous persecution; hence, Daniel describes 1290 days (Re 13:5-8)
- Faithful to wait 1335 days {1290 + 45 days} to receive blessing
 - These 45 days for gathering the armies to meet at Armageddon (Re 16:12-16)
 - Christ returns to defeat all armies simultaneously; Antichrist and False Prophet thrown into the Lake of Fire then Christ sets up His Millennial Kingdom (Re 19:11-21)

Faithful Reject Rebellion: Reject Maccabean Revolt

- False Jews annually celebrate the Maccabean Revolt via Hannukah {Festival of Lights {Dark Light}} (Mt 6:22-33)
 - God hates rebellion in any form as it is the epitome of sin as pride is the linchpin of all idolatry (1Sa 15:23)
 - God did not praise the Maccabean Revolt and this uprising eventually allowed Herod the Great and then the Romans to rule them, enslaving them {to sin}
- During the Great Tribulation the True Jews are told to flee Jerusalem, not rebel; they are to wait for Christ Who will come and redeem them (15 40:27-31)
 - This is why God pronounces Blessings on those who WAIT (Ze 12:9; Ep 6:12-13)
- Christ said <u>no one</u> will know the exact hour; however, He did say observe the **times** and prepare for His coming (Mt 24:24; Lk 21:20-24, 28)

Correlation of Events: Daniel-Christ-John

