DANIEL'S VISION OF THE GLORY OF GOD (Daniel 10:1-21)

- I. The Setting of the Vision (Dan. 10:1-4)
 - A. During the 3rd year of CYRUS, the 72nd year of Daniel's captivity
 - B. A MESSAGE came to DANIEL, "who was named Belteshazzar"
 - C. He'd been MOURNING for 3 WEEKS
 - 1. Subsisting on SIMPLE FOOD
 - 2. Using no OINTMENTS
 - D. He was on the bank of the TIGRIS River
- II. The Content of the Vision: A GLORIOUS MAN (Dan. 10:5-6)
 - A. Clothed in LINEN, symbolic of the DIVINE
 - B. Wore a SASH of pure GOLD
 - C. BODY resembled a beryl—probably TOPAZ
 - D. FACE looked like lightning with EYES like torches
 - E. ARMS and FEET gleamed like polished BRONZE
 - F. Voice sounded like a "TUMULT"
 - G. He evidently saw CHRIST in His GLORY (cf. Rev. 1:14-16)

- III. The Effect of the Vision (Dan. 10:7-9)
 - A. Those with Daniel FLED and saw NOTHING
 - B. Daniel COLLAPSED (cf. Rev. 1:17)
- IV. The Touch of an Angel (Dan. 10:10-11, 15-17, 18-19)
 - A. First enabled to STAND (10:10-11)
 - B. Second enabled to SPEAK (10:15-17)
 - C. Third restored to STRENGTH (10:18-19)
- V. The Purpose of the Angel's Visit (Dan. 10:12-14, 20-21)
 - A. Came to allay Daniel's FEAR
 - B. INTERCEPTED by DEMONIC opposition
 - 1. DELAYED for three WEEKS
 - 2. ASSISTED by MICHAEL
 - C. Message to follow concerned ISRAEL
 - D. Message foretells events COMING in the "LATTER DAYS"
 - E. Messenger must continue the SPIRITUAL BATTLE, but he and Michael would be SUFFICIENT
 - F. Vision would REVEAL on earth what was already INSCRIBED in heaven
 - 1. Would involve great SUFFERING for ISRAEL
 - 2. Would end in God's TRIUMPH and Israel's EXALTATION