THRONE WARS: WHO’S IN CHARGE HERE?

**KINGDOM DECREE: GET WITH THE PROGRAM**

Daniel 9:23-27

8.11.24

**There is only one right side of history: God’s**

*Three blessings God’s vision gives to fuel hope in hard times:*

#1 **PERSPECTIVE: THINK BIG PICTURE** – EXPERIENCE THE *STABILITY* GOD’S VISION PRODUCES (23-24a)

All times follow God’s plan, including ours

*Three ways to deepen your investment in big picture:*

#1 **Prayer**: The access we have- His **responsiveness** to our words spoken in prayer**.** What we say to Him matters. Pray. Talk to God. Our responsibility. He is faithful to hear us in our times.

#2 **Scripture**: The assurance we have- The **relevance** of his words God spoken in scripture.What He says to us matters. Read.Listen to God. God’s authority. He is faithful to speak to us in our times.

#3 **Answers**: The answers we get- The **reliability** of his acts carried out as answers.What He does matters. Watch.Look for God. God’s sovereignty. He is faithful to act around us in our times.

#2 **PURPOSE: TRUST THE END GAME**–ENJOY THE *BEAUTY* GOD’S VISION PROMISES (24b)

Good times are ahead; the guaranteed outcome of God’s plan

*Two treasures to celebrate by readying yourself:*

#1 **Freedom from all evil**. **Banishment** of all evil. Evil is addressed. **What’s absent.** Free yourself of sin.

#2 **Fulfillment** **of all good**. **Fulfillment** of all good. Good is fulfilled. **What’s present.** Hunger for righteousness.

#3 **PROGRESSION: WATCH IN REAL TIME** – EMBRACE THE *PROPHECIES* GOD’S VISION PROCLAIMS (25-27)

Hard times come first; but only in exact accordance with God’s plan

*Three healthy responses to the real-time progression of God’s plan:*

#1 **Welcome** **it**: It’s clearly important

#2 **Work on it**: It’s carefully outlined

#3 **Watch for it**: It’s continually unfolding