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COMMENTARY ON THE BOOK OF
DANIEL
PRACTICAL LIVING IN THE JUDGMENT HOUR



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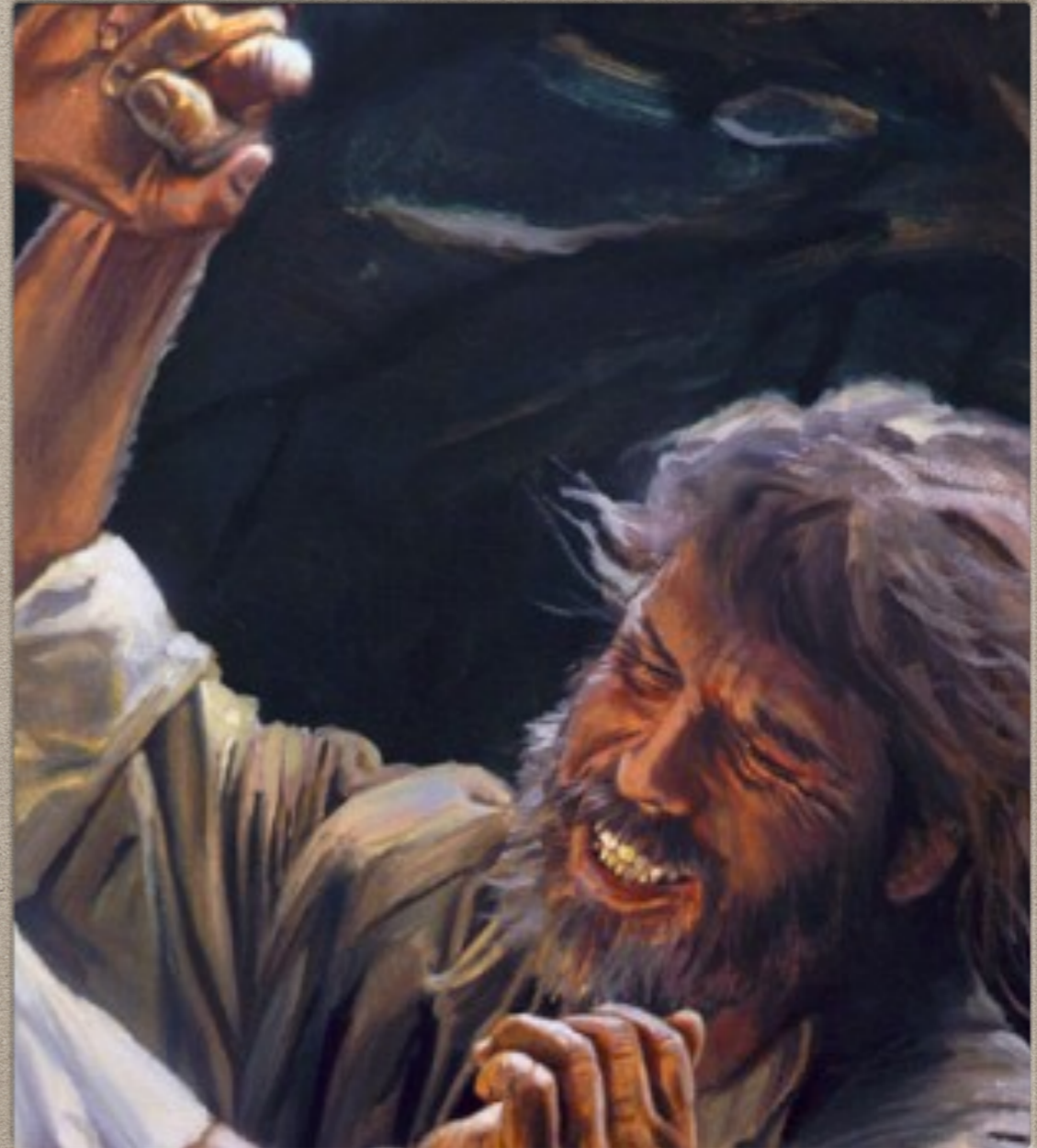


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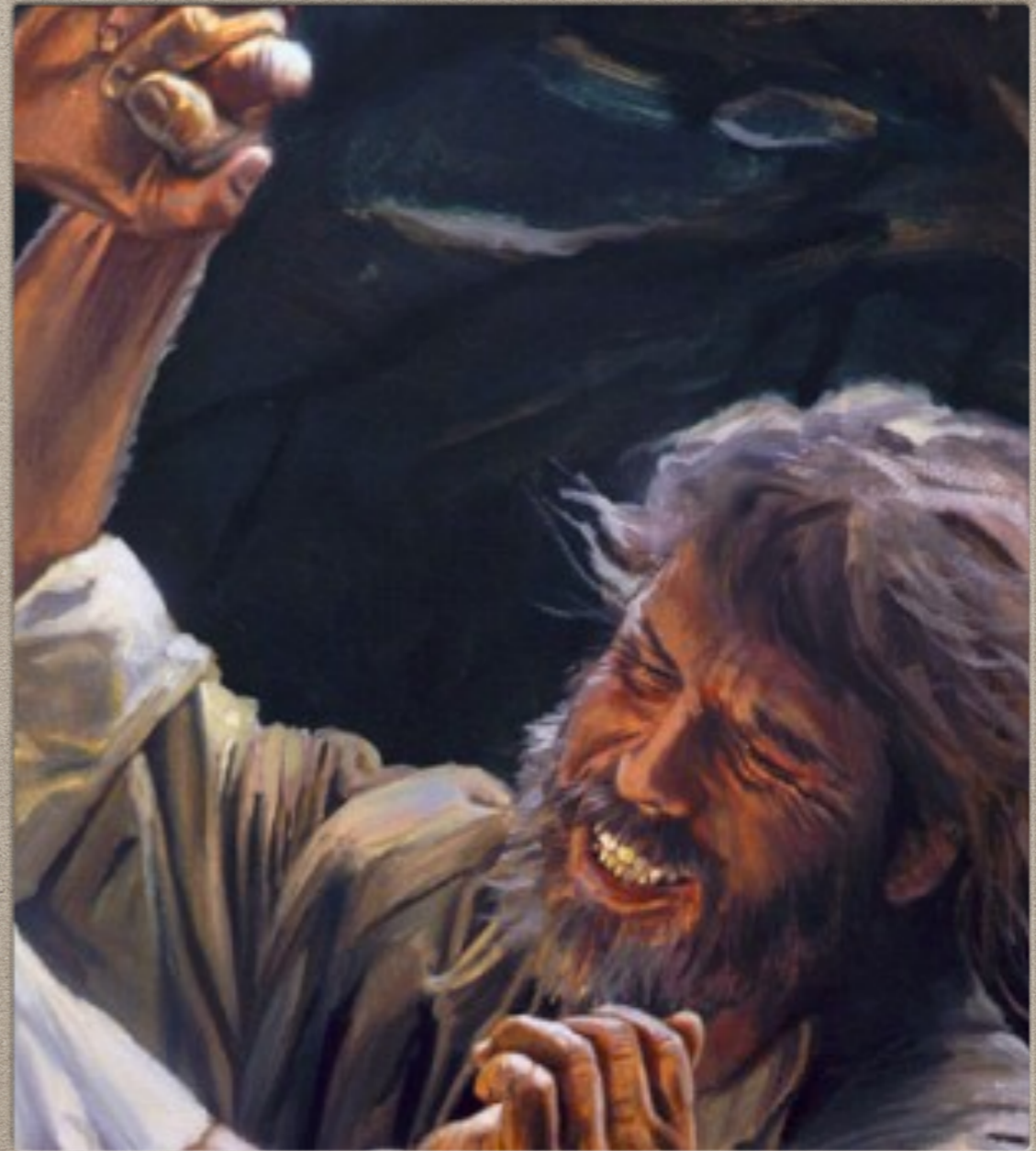
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- DANIEL 12:1
- JACOB'S TIME OF TROUBLE BEGINS AT THE CLOSE OF PROBATION
- MATTHEW 24:21, 22 VS. DANIEL 12:1
- DURATION VS. INTENSITY



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- **JEREMIAH 30:5-7**
- **JACOB'S TIME OF TROUBLE IS COMPARED TO MEN BEING IN LABOR**
- **ALL FACES ARE PALE**
- **BUT HE SHALL BE SAVED OUT OF IT!**



JACOB'S TIME OF TROUBLE

- **DURING THE TIME OF JACOB'S TROUBLE, THE PLAGUES ARE BEING Poured OUT**
- **GOD'S PEOPLE ARE SUFFERING INTENSE MENTAL ANGUISH**
- **THE WICKED ARE ALSO SUFFERING WITH THE SEVEN LAST PLAGUES**



Then I saw that Jesus' work in the sanctuary will soon be finished. And after His work there is finished, He will come to the door of the first apartment, and confess the sins of Israel upon the head of the Scape Goat. Then He will put on the garments of vengeance. Then the plagues will come upon the wicked, and they do not come till Jesus puts on that garment, and takes His place upon the great white cloud. – SpM 2.1

Then while the plagues are falling, the Scape Goat is being led away. He makes a mighty struggle to escape, but he is held fast by the hand that leads him. If he should effect his escape, Israel would lose their lives. I saw that it would take time to lead away the Scape Goat into the land of forgetfulness after the sins were put on his head. –SpM 2.1

When the third angel's message closes, mercy no longer pleads for the guilty inhabitants of the earth. The people of God have accomplished their work. They have received "the latter rain," "the refreshing from the presence of the Lord," and they are prepared for the trying hour before them. Angels are hastening to and fro in heaven. An angel returning from the earth announces that his work is done; the final test has been brought upon the world, and all who have proved themselves loyal to the divine precepts have received "the seal of the living God." – GC 613.2

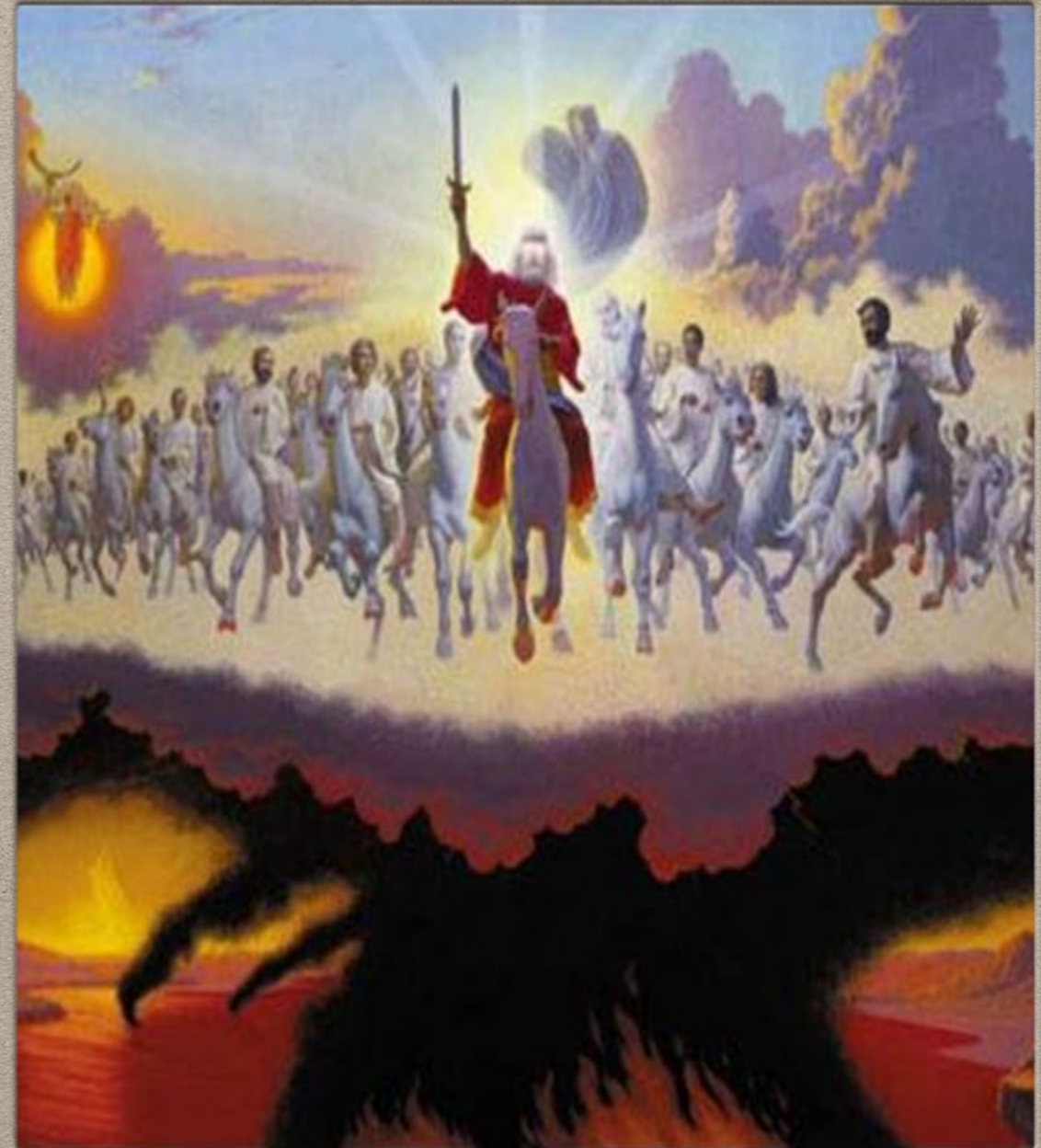
Then Jesus ceases His intercession in the sanctuary above. He lifts His hands and with a loud voice says, "It is done;" (Rev. 16:17) and all the angelic host lay off their crowns as He makes the solemn announcement: "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still." Revelation 22:11. Every case has been decided for life or death. Christ has made the atonement for His people and blotted out their sins. – GC 613.2



When Christ ceases His intercession in the sanctuary, the unmingled wrath threatened against those who worship the beast and his image and receive his mark (Revelation 14:9, 10), will be poured out. The plagues upon Egypt when God was about to deliver Israel were similar in character to those more terrible and extensive judgments which are to fall upon the world just before the final deliverance of God's people. Says the revelator, in describing those terrific scourges: "There fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshiped his image." – GC 627

BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON

- **REVELATION 16:13-16**
- **SPIRITUAL STRUGGLE BETWEEN THE DRAGON, BEAST, AND FALSE PROPHET VS. GOD'S PEOPLE**
- **DEATH DECREE; DAN. 11:44, 45**
- **CLOSE OF PROBATION**
- **JACOB'S TIME OF TROUBLE**



THE SEVENTH PLAGUE

- **GC 613.2 SHOWS JACOB'S TIME of TROUBLE CONTINUING THROUGH 7TH PLAGUE**
- **HAIL WEIGHING A TALENT (59 KG OR 129 LB)**



Had not Jacob previously repented of his sin in obtaining the birthright by fraud, God would not have heard his prayer and mercifully preserved his life. So, in the time of trouble, if the people of God had unconfessed sins to appear before them while tortured with fear and anguish, they would be overwhelmed; despair would cut off their faith, and they could not have confidence to plead with God for deliverance. But while they have a deep sense of their unworthiness, they have no concealed wrongs to reveal. Their sins have gone beforehand to judgment and have been blotted out, and they cannot bring them to remembrance. (GC 620.1)

The season of distress and anguish before us will require a faith that can endure weariness, delay, and hunger—a faith that will not faint though severely tried. The period of probation is granted to all to prepare for that time. Jacob prevailed because he was persevering and determined. His victory is an evidence of the power of importunate prayer. All who will lay hold of God's promises, as he did, and be as earnest and persevering as he was, will succeed as he succeeded. – GC 621



The “time of trouble, such as never was,” is soon to open upon us; and we shall need an experience which we do not now possess and which many are too indolent to obtain. It is often the case that trouble is greater in anticipation than in reality; but this is not true of the crisis before us. The most vivid presentation cannot reach the magnitude of the ordeal. In that time of trial, every soul must stand for himself before God. – GC 622

Now, while our great High Priest is making the atonement for us, we should seek to become perfect in Christ. Not even by a thought could our Saviour be brought to yield to the power of temptation. Satan finds in human hearts some point where he can gain a foothold; some sinful desire is cherished, by means of which his temptations assert their power. But Christ declared of Himself: "The prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in Me." John 14:30. Satan could find nothing in the Son of God that would enable him to gain the victory. He had kept His Father's commandments, and there was no sin in Him that Satan could use to his advantage. This is the condition in which those must be found who shall stand in the time of trouble. – GC 623