



Stand: The Finish Line is in Sight!

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Text: Daniel 12:3-13

Passage Summary: As we draw closer and closer to the return of Christ, one thing is certain; wisdom will be required!

180 Degree Truth #1: See that those who stay the course and finish the race in the last days are those who are wise! (12:3-13)

Application: Recognize that when it comes to the wise, they understand it's our God appointed time to...

- Shine! (v.3-4)

"In the same way, let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."

Matthew 5:16

See that our God appointed time to shine will involve a commitment to...

Let the light shine!

Leave the light on!

Remember: When it comes to being wise, you may not be a star in the world's eyes, but you can be in God's; give your life to Jesus now, and then make it the aim of your life to know Him and make Him known!

- Be _____! (v.5-10)

"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose. For those God foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the likeness of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brothers."

Romans 8:28-29

"God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pain: It is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world."

C.S. Lewis

Remember: When it comes to being wise, our _____ to persecution and pain is crucial; don't _____ these opportunities, but instead, allow God to redeem them to bring you to Christ, and then work through them to refine you further into the image of Christ!

- _____! (v.11-13)

Remember: When it comes to being wise, God has revealed there is a precise, unalterable _____ line to all of the hurt, pain and suffering of a sin filled and fallen world; _____ is on the way for the heart that holds on to Jesus!

"I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Now there is in store for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous Judge, will award to me on that day—and not only to me, but also to all who have longed for his appearing."

2 Timothy 4:7-8

Core Conviction to Live By: Resolutely determine to take God's Word to heart as you seek to finish strong a race in which the finish line is now in _____; "As for you _____, go your way till the end. You will rest, and then at the end of the days you will rise to receive your allotted inheritance." (Daniel 12:13)