

**Standing at the End**  
**Daniel 12:5-13**  
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Main Point

Without having all the details, you are to continue serving the Lord faithfully now, knowing that every day you are closer to your eternal rest.

1. Your times are completely in God's hands (v. 5-7a)
2. God's plan for you includes tragedy and then triumph (v. 7b)
3. Under God, even your worst times are purposeful (v. 8-10)
4. In Christ you are not only called to stand firm, you are enabled to stand firm in all circumstances (v. 11-12)
5. Even when you do not understand every detail, you are to continue faithfully serving the Lord in humble anticipation of entering your eternal rest (v. 13)

## **Cross References and Quotations:**

### **Helpful Resources on Daniel:**

Best commentaries: Sinclair Ferguson, Dale Ralph Davis, Iain Duguid, Andrew Steinmann, E.J. Young

### **Videos on ancient history described in Daniel 11:**

#1: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2SUTgXQUGdQ>

#2: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6hwkThHYBXs&feature=youtu.be>

Matthew 24:36 (NKJ): “But of that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, but My Father only.”

Psalms 139:16 (NKJ): “Your eyes saw my substance, being yet unformed. And in Your book they all were written, The days fashioned for me, When as yet there were none of them.”

Iain Duguid: “Certainly there is no expectation here of the gradual Christianization of the world. The prerequisite for the end is not the final fixing of our world’s brokenness; rather, it is the final breaking of the holy peoples’ strength.”

Revelation 20:9 (NKJ): “They went up on the breadth of the earth and surrounded the camp of the saints and the beloved city. And fire came down from God out of heaven and devoured them.”

Revelation 22:11 (NKJ): “He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy, let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still.”

Dale Ralph Davis: “God is going to have a thirteen-thirty five people. After evil does its worst, the people of Jesus will be there... standing on their feet.”

Ephesians 6:13 (NKJ): “Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.”

John 14:2-3 (NKJ): “In My Father’s house are many mansions; if *it were* not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. <sup>3</sup> And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and receive you to Myself; that where I am, *there* you may be also.”

Revelation 22:10 (NKJ): “And he said to me, ‘Do not seal the words of the prophecy of this book, for the time is at hand.’”