

And The Time Came
Linville Dunaway, Corinth Christian Church

Daniel 7:21 *"I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them; 22. Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom."*

Daniel saw the saints go through trials and tribulation. Life is that way here on earth, for everyone has troubles and sorrows that they must face. The Word of God warns us that such will come so that we will not come to them without warning. Some act like those who come to God will not have problems here on earth. The trouble is, the Bible says that they that will live Godly in Christ Jesus will suffer persecution. Still, the promise is that the day is coming when the battle will be over and the saints will be gathered home.

At times we are weary of the struggle here in this life. Each

day brings its problems to face but we must continue the battle for we know that victory is coming. Man is impatient and wants things now, not later. The trials that we go through here in this life should draw us closer to God as we see that He helps us through them. Sure, as some point out, God could keep us from bad things here, but would we grow spiritually if He did?

As painful as they are, it is the tough times that we can look back on and see that it was then that we grew in our faith. Muscles have to be exercised to gain, or even maintain, strength. Faith is like that, we must use it and live in it to stay close to God.

When Daniel, or anyone else, went through troubles, victory was on its way, wasn't it? Look at the three in the fire, Daniel and the lion's den, or Jesus on the cross. Even as they endured the trials, victory was on its way. Could David have had the victory over Goliath if there had not been the fight? No fight, no victory.

As we live here and face the things that we do each day, victory is coming, and may be closer than we think. Galatians 6:9. And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall

reap, if we faint not. The Lord knew that we will be discouraged at times and feel weak. That is why we are told to endure and to trust in God all through our lives. The time is coming when God's people will be gathered home and then there will be rest.

Preachers that tell folks that by coming to Jesus all is well and troubles are over, are making a mistake. Look at what the Lord says in the Bible. He says that in this world ye shall have tribulation. But, He goes on to say that victory is His, and through Him, ours, too. Keep the faith, fight the good fight, for victory is coming for the faithful who walk with Jesus here and now. Remember, to walk with Jesus in heaven, we must walk with Him here in this life.

The prophecies of Jesus coming were made hundreds of years before He came. The time did come and Jesus was born and fulfilled the Word of God. In the midst of the trials and problems of life the church looks to His coming again. The time is coming and may be closer than we think. Serve the Lord, be ready, for the time is coming.

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