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Daily Bible Notes/Highlights Genesis through Revelation 2014

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Daniel

C33 This chapter returns to Israel as the focus. The son of man now becomes the watchman. The watchman has the principal responsibility of warning God's people. It is clear they don't believe in their demise and the degree where animals are left to ravage the remains. Consider what it means when bodies are everywhere. Although they are lost in their sins, they still understood health and the danger of decaying bodies. But their devastation would be so great, they could do nothing.

C34 Thus is the depravity and lack of leadership chapter if there ever is such a chapter. This chapter may be the one that sets the stage for Church-leadership and particularly discipline for leaders. The juxtaposition of the hireling compared to the good shepherd is striking and it should be. They are in it for themselves. They abandon and truly don't care for the sheep. The good shepherd himself tends the sheep.

C35 Here we see what happened when many in Israel sought asylum as refugees. They were butchered by the people of Mount Seir. They would receive the same treatment. This is the principal that everyone can learn. When The Lord punished as in this case, the punishment is in direct relationship to the sin. It 'a not a guessing game. Now, disobedience will also include the withdrawal of blessings, but withdrawing blessings typically is not enough. There also has to be administration of punishment. While many don't like the term punishment, when God does it, it is just and with extensive warning before application.

C36 Again, the pattern of calling on God's people to let them know that those who shamed them will not go unpunished. They will be dealt with because they were involved in shaming God's people. However the prophet quickly returns to the punishment that is assured for Israel. The prophets move from giving a word of doom, then hope, then doom again. Some might think this is mixed messaging but it is the contrary. The objective is to inform His own that their conduct would be corrected through being ravaged by others.

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However, they received hope in the midst of the messaging. They were not being utterly cast out.

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