

## “Angelic Conflict”

Sunday, August 7, 2022, 10:30 a.m.  
Whitneyville Bible Church, Alto, MI  
Pastor Jonathan DeCou  
*Daniel 10:1-11:1*

**BIG IDEA:** Ultimately, our battle is against dark spiritual forces.

*“I have come because of your prayers.  
But the prince of the kingdom of Persia  
opposed me for twenty-one days.”  
Daniel 10:12b-13a (CSB)*

☞ The **BACKGROUND** and **SETTING** of this **VISION**. (v1-3)

☞ The **GLORIOUS VISION**. (v4-9)

☞ An **INVISIBLE WAR**. (v10-13)

☞ The **PURPOSE** of this **ANGELIC VISIT**. (v14-11:1)

☞ **LESSONS (So, what am I going to do about it?):**

- Our **STRUGGLE** is not against “**FLESH** and **BLOOD**”.
- Don’t forget to **SUIT-UP** for **BATTLE**.

- “Much **PRAYER**, much **POWER**; no **PRAYER**, no **POWER**.”  
*Peter Deyneka*
- Remember, the **BATTLE BELONGS** to the **LORD**.
- You can leave a **LEGACY** of **HELPFUL ENCOURAGEMENT**.

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**Read:** Daniel 10:1-11:1

**Think:** Think about this remarkable experience Daniel had, and then ask yourself the following questions: *When have you been scared stiff? What details in v1-3 help the reader understand the circumstances of Daniel’s experience? Some preachers & commentators (👉) see the Lord Jesus Christ in v5-6. How is this fantastic image like the one in Ezekiel 1 or Revelation 1:12-16? Do all these “manifestations” fit your picture of Jesus? Why or why not? How did Daniel’s terrified companions “know” something they did not “see”? What is the impact of this encounter on Daniel? How are Daniel’s angelic visitors simultaneously frightening and comforting? What does Chapter 10 teach you about spiritual warfare and other spiritual realities?*

**Do:** Make it a habit to “suit-up” for battle by memorizing and daily reciting Ephesians 6:10-18, on the Armor of God. Put together an action plan to increase your discipline in prayer. Identify how God wants you to trust His sovereignty this week.