

**Valley Bible Church**  
**Sermon Notes for August 8, 1993**

**“Behind the Scenes of World History”**  
**Daniel 10**

Chapter 10 is an introduction to Daniel’s fourth and final vision, which occupies the rest of the book.

The vision came to answer Daniel’s prayer.

Daniel was praying for a greater understanding of what was going to happen to his people.

This introduction to the vision tells us a great deal about angels.

I. Angels reflect the glory of heaven. (10:4-9)

This is an angel, possibly Gabriel (cf. 8:16, 9:21), rather than an appearance of Christ.

II. Angels encourage us. (10:10-12, 14-19)

A. He assures Daniel of God’s love and affection. (10:10,11)

B. He answers Daniel’s prayer. (10:12)

C. He renews Daniel’s strength. (10:15-19)

D. Angels minister to us in a variety of ways. (cf. Heb. 1:14)

III. Angels resist Satan and his demons. (10:13, 20; 10-21-11:1)

Demons actively oppose the Lord and His purposes.

A. The Prince of Persia is a angel of darkness, a demon. (10:12)

A high ranking demon assigned to the area of Persia to do Satan’s work.

B. Gabriel fought with him and needed help from Michael.

C. God has supplied for us ample resources. (I John 4:4, II Thess. 3:3)