

# The Resurrection of the Righteous of the TaNaKh

## Dani'el 12:2 and Isaiah 26:19

The Rapture will include New Covenant believers and it will occur *before* the Great Tribulation begins. But later, *after the Great Tribulation* (Dani'el 12:1), during the seventy-five day interval (see Ey - [The Seventy-Five Day Interval](#)), the righteous of the TaNaKh will be resurrected. **Multitudes who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake: some to everlasting life, others to shame and everlasting contempt.** In the context of Dani'el 12:2, he is speaking of the seventy-five day interval, and thus, this will be the time that the righteous of the TaNaKh will be resurrected.<sup>430</sup>

This is stated in three passages of the TaNaKh. First in Isaiah 26:19: **But your dead will live; their bodies will rise. You who dwell in the dust, wake up and shout for joy. Your dew is like the dew of the morning; the earth will give birth to her dead** (see my commentary on [Isaiah Fg - You Who Dwell in the Dust Will Wake Up and Shout for Joy](#)).

Secondly, the reviving of the dry bones in Ezekiel signified the resurrection of the faith remnant. The vision showed that Israel's new life depended on God's power and not outward circumstances. Adonai ELOHIM said: **O My people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Isra'el. Then you, My people, will know that I am ADONAI when I open your graves and bring you up from them. I will put My Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the LORD have spoken and I have done it, declares ADONAI (Ezekiel 37:12-14).** The breath of life the corpses received symbolized the Holy Spirit, promised in Israel's New Covenant (see my commentary on [Jeremiah Eo - I Will Make a New Covenant with the People of Isra'el](#)).<sup>431</sup>

Thirdly, Dani'el says about the same thing when he states: **Multitudes of the righteous of the TaNaKh who sleep in the dust of the earth will awake to everlasting life, but the others, or the unrighteous, will continue to sleep in the dust of the earth to shame and everlasting contempt (Dani'el 12:2).** Therefore, this passage draws a clear distinction between the resurrection of the righteous of the TaNaKh and the unrighteous. Only the righteous will be resurrected at that time to partake of the blessings of the messianic Kingdom. These are the friends of the bridegroom (John 3:29), who will be invited to the wedding supper of the Lamb that will begin the Millennium.