

Daniel Chapter 2 Part 1



Message by Pastor Jeff 10-23-16
Message Based Questions to help your personal Study & LifeGroup Discussions

CONNECTING: Connecting to one another with a warm up question or through worship.

Do you remember your dreams? What is one of the craziest dreams you've ever dreamt?

EXPLORING IT: Review the sermon outline and explore the message by using the following Q's which will help you dig in a little deeper and make sure you get the message.

The mission of the church is to transform the world through the life-changing message of Jesus for the glory of God.

By loving God, loving God's people and then loving the world.

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Have you ever had a dream that was so real it seemed to be true? How did you feel when you woke up?

What keeps you up at night? Do you have reoccurring dream(s) that haunt you? What is the answer to our insomnia?

Why do you think Nebuchadnezzar demanded to know the meaning of his dream from his wise men (magicians, Enchanters, Sorcerers & Chaldeans)?

Have you ever had your life threatened like Daniel? What happened?

How do you think you would have responded if you were in Daniel's situation?

When God answers your prayers, what do you typically do? How do you compare with Daniel?

What can we learn from Daniel's example here?

Three aspects of Daniel's spiritual maturity stand out in this chapter:

his wisdom in response to a crisis, his prayer in response to a problem and his praise in response to God's work in his life.

Which of those marks of maturity is most well-developed in your life? Which is weakest?

What are things from the message and this discussion that God has revealed to you? How can we pray for you?

PRAY IT: Now that you have connected, explored and applied it—it is now time to tap into the power of prayer individually throughout the week as well as corporately praying for one another. Perhaps by sharing the real life challenges and blessings with one another this will help people see what God can do in their lives and will lead them into a plan of action.

Focus of the Week by H.A. Ironside

One of my favorite authors who happens to have a book about Daniel. Hope you enjoy this excerpt about worship.

"People have very low ideas about worship nowadays; they talk about worshiping God no matter what religious exercise they may be engaged in. But let us remember that even prayer is not worship, and ministry is not worship. Prayer is asking of God; ministry is when God gives something to man. But when man has asked and God has given until the heart overflows in adoration back to God, worship takes place.

My wife and I stood one day looking down on Niagara Falls. How our hearts were stirred as we watched that mighty cataract pouring its tremendous volume of water over the great cliff unceasingly. But soon we noticed that from below a mist or fine spray rose up that actually reached the point where we stood on the ledge above the Falls. I said to my wife, "This is like worship-God's mighty love and grace pouring down on us, and then our love and praise rising up and ascending back to Him, the source of all our blessing."

The Father is seeking worshipers, but people have to be born again before they can worship Him. How can a poor guilty sinner who has never been brought into the family of God be a worshiper in spirit and in truth? We hear often of "public worship"; but the fact of the matter is the public, as such, cannot worship in the Christian sense."

Keep Pressing On!
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