



Quiet Time

December 5-11, 2021

Daniel 2:44 (ESV)

"And in the days of those kings the God of heaven will set up a kingdom that shall never be destroyed, nor shall the kingdom be left to another people.

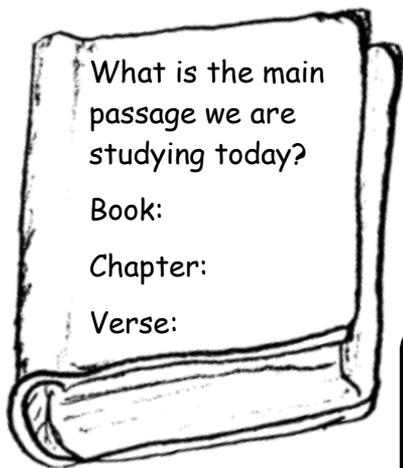
It shall break in pieces all these kingdoms and bring them to an end, and it shall stand forever."

GOD Uses
Daniel to
Interpret the
King's Dream



Sermon notes

As you attend church service with your family, use these next two pages to help you listen and learn. We want you to worship with us by singing to God, praying, and listening to God's Word being read and taught.



Title of Sermon:

What is the Big Idea of the passage?



Which song from today's service is your favorite and why?

Circle or color the following:

1 shepherd, 4 sheep, 2 angels, 3 stars, 1 crown, and 1 cross





Words you heard but don't know...

What are we learning about God from this passage?

Write or draw something that you heard in the sermon today.

Fill in the blanks below during the service, and then talk to your parents about them on the way home.

I heard _____
but was confused or had a hard time believing it.

Hearing and believing this about God is... _____

_____ ...changes the way I...

Matthew 1:21...Unscramble the tiles to reveal a message.

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We find a list of Jesus' ancestry both in *Matthew 1:1-17* and *Luke 3:23-38*. As you look at both lists, you will notice a few names that are the same and many things that are different. What important people from the Old Testament are included in **both** lists? _____

What important people from the Old Testament are **only** included in Luke's list? _____

What did God promise to Adam and Eve? (*Genesis 3:15*)

- a. A new seed for the Garden of Eden
- b. One of their descendants would defeat Satan
- c. Lots of Christmas presents

What did God promise to Abraham? (*Genesis 12:3*)

- a. "Santa Claus" would go to everyone's house
- b. Christmas is the only time he had to be nice to others
- c. People from every nation would be saved through the Messiah

What did God promise to Judah? (*Genesis 49:10*)

- a. Jesus would reign forever as the King of Kings
- b. King Wenceslas would be born to help the orphans of Prague
- c. St. Nicholas would be born to a wealthy family in Turkey and would help the poor.

God Uses Daniel to Interpret King's Dream - Monday

➤ Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: Daniel 1:1-21

What did King Nebuchadnezzar do to Jerusalem (v 1)? _____

What did he do to the vessels in the temple of God (v 2)? _____

In putting these things in the temple of his gods, Nebuchadnezzar was saying that his gods were greater than Israel's God. What Israelites did Nebuchadnezzar tell Ashpenaz to bring to Babylon (vv 3-4)?

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| a. Of royal/noble family | d. Smart |
| b. Youth | e. Skilled in wisdom |
| c. Good looking | f. Those who had all the above |

What did he want to do with them (v 4)? _____

Nebuchadnezzar also wanted to care for these captives by feeding them his food that had been offered to his gods, as if by doing so, his gods would make these men even stronger and wiser. But, as you go through this story, the author is making clear that Someone else is really in control, who "GAVE" these youth strength and wisdom.

Who is really in control and "GAVE" Jerusalem over to Nebuchadnezzar (v 2)? _____ Who "GAVE" Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah wisdom (v 9)? _____ Who "GAVE" Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah more strength than the other youth (v 17)? _____

God not only made these young men look good, but God had worked on their hearts so that they would desire to worship Him. They knew that eating the king's food was against God's laws for Jews, and they were willing to go against the earthly king to serve God as King.

Application:

God teaches us that fearing Him is the beginning of wisdom. He teaches us that we should seek Him 1st, even before food and shelter... for He is the One who gives us skills and a job to earn a living. God teaches us that we should love Him with all our hearts. Someday, God will judge us, not based on how we look to others, but based on our hearts.

Complete your Prayer Journal for today and pray about it.

GOD Uses Daniel to Interpret King's Dream - Tuesday

➤ Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: Daniel 2:1-16

Yesterday, you saw how God is in control of all things, judges men based upon their hearts, and only God can change the heart to worship Him. Today, you've read how God knows all man's thoughts. Who did Nebuchadnezzar ask for help (v 2)?

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| a. Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, Azariah | d. Servants of false gods |
| b. Magicians, enchanter, sorcerers | e. a & c |
| c. Servants of God | f. b & d |

What did Nebuchadnezzar ask these men to do (v 5)?

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| a. Speak a word from YAHWEH | d. a & b |
| b. Recount the dream | e. b & c |
| c. Interpret the dream | |

Were the gods of these men able to help them do this (vv 7, 10)? _____

What did these men claim about all men (vv 10-11)?

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| a. No man can know another man's dream | d. a, b & c |
| b. No king has ever asked for this | |
| c. Only a god can know a man's thoughts. | |

What did the king want to do to punish these men for not being able to tell him his dream and its interpretation (v 12)?

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| a. Thrown in prison | c. Destroyed |
| b. Sent to school to learn | d. Ask the God of Israel |

How did Daniel respond to the king's threats (v 16)?

- He tried to run away to Jerusalem.
- He tried to kill Nebuchadnezzar.
- He boldly asked Nebuchadnezzar for time.

Application:

Neither Nebuchadnezzar's men, nor his gods, had any ability to know his thoughts. The king's wise men were foolish, and his gods were false. Daniel knew that his God was real, knew men's hearts, knew the king's thoughts, and knew the future because his God controlled the future. Nebuchadnezzar should've destroyed his gods and worshiped YAHWEH. Where do you turn to find wisdom, comfort, and help? _____

Complete your Prayer Journal for today and pray about it.

GOD Uses Daniel to Interpret King's Dream-Wednesday

➤ Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: Daniel 2:17-23

Rather than respond to the king's threats of destruction with fear, Daniel went to his three friends who also worshiped YAHWEH and asked them to do what (v 18)? _____

How did God respond (v 19)? _____

Daniel then praised the "God of heaven" as the One who truly possesses the power to rule forever and has all wisdom and might. Match the verb on the left with the object on the right that Daniel said was true of God (vv 21-22):

Changes

Kings

Removes

Hidden things

Gives

Times & seasons

Reveals and knows

Wisdom & knowledge

So, Daniel praised God for being the all-powerful, all-knowing, and the all-present God in the first half of his prayer. In the second half of his prayer, he thanks this great God for also being good. How was God good to Daniel and his friends (v 23)?

He gave Daniel w _____

He m _____ k _____ to m _____ what was asked

He m _____ k _____ to u _____ the king's matter

Application:

God is great, and God is good. Do you believe that God is the greatest like Daniel did? _____ Do you also believe that God is good? _____

Name one way YOU have seen God's great power: _____

Name one way YOU have seen God's good mercy: _____

Have you praised and thanked Him for these things? _____

Take time to do that now.

Complete your Prayer Journal for today and pray about it.

GOD Uses Daniel to Interpret King's Dream - Thursday

➤ Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: Daniel 2:24-30

Why did Daniel tell Arioch to bring him before the king (v 24)?

"I will s_____ the king the i_____."

What message does Arioch give the king (v 25)? "A m_____ will make known to the king the i_____."

What does the king ask Daniel (v 26)? "Are y_____ able to m_____ k_____ to me the d_____?"

What is Daniel's answer (vv 27-29)? "N_____ w_____ m_____ can sh_____ to the king the m_____ ...BUT there is a G_____ in h_____ who r_____ m_____, and He has m_____ k_____ to the king what will be in the latter days."

Why did Daniel say that God had chosen to use Daniel to reveal the mysterious dream and its interpretation, or meaning (v 30)?

- So that Daniel would be praised
- To show Daniel's great wisdom
- So that the king might know what God wanted him to know

Application:

Both Arioch and the king were looking for a **MAN** to reveal the mystery of the king's thoughts. Daniel made clear that **NO MAN** could give that knowledge or wisdom. At the same time, he claimed to be the man who could help, but only because **GOD** had chosen to use him in that way.

Paul said a similar thing to the Corinthians about the gospel of Jesus Christ. Believers didn't come to a knowledge of their sins and turn to Jesus Christ because Paul was such a good preacher. Rather, it was the Holy Spirit who revealed the truth and enabled them to believe (1 Cor 2:1-5, 10-12). 1 Corinthians 2:12 ^(ESV) – "Now we have received not the spirit of the world, but the S_____ who is from G_____, that we might u_____ the things freely given us by G_____."

Ask the Spirit to reveal the truth of the gospel to you, that you might truly know God and walk in His ways.

Complete your Prayer Journal for today and pray about it.

God Uses Daniel to Interpret King's Dream - Friday

➤ *Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.*

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: *Daniel 2:31-45*

The past four days you've read about the great character of God in contrast to the weakness of Nebuchadnezzar and his false gods. With that background, you finally get to the solution to the king's problem dream. How did Daniel describe the "appearance" of the great image (v 31)?

a. Amazing b. Beautiful c. Frightening

Did a man cut the stone that crushed the image (v 34)? _____

What did the stone become (v 35)?

a. Idol b. Altar c. Mountain

Daniel says that Nebuchadnezzar is the head of this image and that the different parts of the image are other kings who will reign after him.

Who did Daniel say gave ALL these kings their power (v 37)? _____

Who was the stone that was "cut out by no human hand" (v 44)? _____

What does the mountain filling the earth picture (v 44)?

- a. *God's forever kingdom in this world*
- b. *Satan's forever kingdom in this world*
- c. *Nebuchadnezzar's forever kingdom in this world*

Who did Daniel say made this known to Nebuchadnezzar (v 45)? _____

Because of this, Daniel also said that both the dream and its meaning were "sure", meaning that it is true and will happen just as God said.

Application:

This dream was a message from God to Nebuchadnezzar showing that only God's kingdom is forever, so he should repent of his pride and worship God alone. This was a message to Israel to say that only God's kingdom is forever, so they should repent of their sins and worship Him alone. This dream is a message to us to say that no man will rule forever, that God's kingdom will destroy all other kingdoms, and that He alone is to be worshiped.

Someday, God will set up His forever kingdom... it's a sure thing! However, only those who are His children will rule with Him. Everyone else will be punished by Him. If God were to set up His forever kingdom on this earth today, would you be ruling with Him, or punished by Him?

Complete your Prayer Journal for today and pray about it.

GOD Uses Daniel to Interpret King's Dream-Saturday

➤ Say the memory verse to mom, dad, or older sibling.

Pray: Dear Father, help me to understand what I read in Your Word.

Read: *Daniel 2:46-49*

King Nebuchadnezzar's response to God's wisdom through Daniel is very curious. Who did the king say had made the mystery known to Daniel (v 47)? _____

How did he describe God (v 47)?

G_____ of g_____; L_____ of k_____;

R_____ of m_____

Even though Nebuchadnezzar believed this to be true of Daniel's God, who did the king worship (vv 46, 48)? _____

God used this event to place Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah in places of power and influence in Babylon. Although the text doesn't explicitly tell you why God did this, why do you think God did this based upon what you've read this week in *Daniel 1 & 2*?

- So that God could reveal Himself to all nations*
- So that all nations might be called to worship God*
- So that all nations might repent of their sins*
- a, b & c*

Application:

God is great, and God is good. He has made all things, and He sustains all things. God will judge all men, and He will set up His forever, righteous kingdom in this world. Just knowing that these things are true doesn't save you. Believing that God is God of all gods and Lord of all lords alone does not save you. Salvation comes from knowing this and trusting in Him alone for salvation from your sins.

Nebuchadnezzar knew these things but did not worship God.

Daniel knew these things, and he worshiped God.

You have now learned these things, too. Will you trust in God for forgiveness, repent of your sins, and worship God alone? _____

Complete your Prayer Journal for today and pray about it.

Prayer Journal

Honor God with your praises and respect

Examine your life for sin and confess it to God

Ask God to supply for your personal needs

Request God's help for the needs of others

Thank God for blessing you every day

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Prayer Journal *...continued*

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Prayer Journal *...continued*

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Gray Road Baptist Church, Children's Ministries

This quiet time lesson was written to coincide with the Generations of Grace Sunday School curriculum. The daily lessons represented are in conjunction with the teacher's manual to provide a fluid, consistent message to your children both in Sunday school and in their private devotions.

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UNIT #9: Jesus Christ: Immanuel, God with Us

Unit #9 Question: What did Jesus come to do?

Unit #9 Answer: Jesus came to bring us to God.

Unit #9 Verse: 1 Peter 3:18 ^(ESV)

What did Jesus come to do?

Big Idea #41 Answer: Jesus came to be the Servant King.

Big Idea #41 Verse: John 6:38

Big Idea #42 Answer: Jesus came to be the Obedient Son.

Big Idea #42 Verse: Hebrews 4:14-15

Big Idea #43 Answer: Jesus came to be the Amazing Teacher.

Big Idea #43 Verse: John 6:68-69

Big Idea #44 Answer: Jesus came to be the Ruler of all creation.

Big Idea #44 Verse: Luke 8:24-25

Big Idea #45 Answer: Jesus came to be the Lord over life & death.

Big Idea #45 Verse: Revelation 1:17-18

¹⁷ When I saw him, I fell at his feet as though dead. But he laid his right hand on me, saying, "Fear not, I am the first and the last," ¹⁸ and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades."