



Daniel 9
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MESSAGE NOTES

Thursday, November 16
Sunday, November 19

Introduction:

Daniel 9 NASB

In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of Median descent, who was made king over the kingdom of the Chaldeans-- ²in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, **observed in the books** the number of the years which was revealed as the word of the Lord to Jeremiah the prophet for the completion of the desolations of Jerusalem, namely, seventy years. ³So I gave my attention to the Lord God to seek Him by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes.

Daniel, the student. Jer. 25:10-12

"But you said so..."

⁴I prayed to the Lord my God and **confessed** and said, "Alas, O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and lovingkindness for those who love Him and keep His commandments, ⁵we have **sinned**, committed **iniquity**, acted **wickedly** and **rebelled**, even **turning aside** from Your commandments and ordinances. ⁶Moreover, we have **not listed** to Your servants the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our kings, our princes, our fathers and all the people of the land. ⁷"Righteousness belongs to You, O Lord, but to us open shame, as it is this day-- to the men of Judah, the inhabitants of Jerusalem and all Israel, those who are nearby and those who are far away in all the countries to which You have driven them, because of their unfaithful deeds which they have committed against You.

Daniel, the leader.

Make a problem your responsibility.

¹⁶O Lord, in accordance with all Your righteous acts, let now Your anger and Your wrath turn away from Your city Jerusalem, Your holy mountain; for because of our sins and the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and Your people have become a reproach to all those around us. ¹⁷So now, our God, listen to the prayer

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It's my problem

Prayer Requests:

Group Discussion: What is the bravest thing you have done?

Read aloud: Read Daniel 9

1. Daniel 9:2 “ 2 in the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, **observed in the books** the number of the years which was revealed as the word of the Lord to Jeremiah the prophet for the completion of the desolations of Jerusalem, namely, seventy years.” Daniel is a student of the Torah and Prophets, which allows him to have a knowledge and understanding of God’s character. What role does knowing and understanding scripture play in your view of God? How has your view of God changed throughout the years? Does your view of God affect your prayer life?
2. Daniel 9:4-6 - 4I prayed to the Lord my God and **confessed** and said, “Alas, O Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and lovingkindness for those who love Him and keep His commandments, 5we have **sinned**, committed **iniquity**, acted **wickedly** and **rebelled**, even **turning aside** from Your commandments and ordinances. 6 Moreover, we have **not listened.**” While interceding for Israel, Daniel is confessing his sins and the sins of Israel. Good leaders make a problem their responsibility. How can we pray for our church? What is the goal of praying for our church? Do you see yourself as a consumer or a contributor?
3. Daniel 9:22“- 22He gave me instruction and talked with me and said, “O Daniel, I have now come forth to give you insight with understanding.” Read John 16:5-14. Do you think Gabriel's being sent to Daniel foreshadows the Holy Spirit being sent to the church? How does the Holy Spirit guide us in all truth?
4. Daniel 9:24 - 24“Seventy weeks have been decreed for your people and your holy city, **to finish the transgression, to make an end of sin, to make atonement for iniquity, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the most holy place.**” When we think about Jesus’; second coming, people usually ignore it or get dogmatic; a third option is to awaken our imagination and look forward to it by faith. How does reading the six accomplishments of the 70 weeks build your faith? What should our response be to knowing Jesus will return a 2 nd time? What should we be doing in the “church age?”