

"THE GREATLY BELOVED PROPHET"

Survey of Daniel

I. INTRODUCTION:

- A. The author:
 - 1. General information:
 - 2. God's evaluation: (*Dan. 10:11*)
 - 3. God's title: (*Mt. 24:15*)
 - 4. The extent of ministry:
- B. The overriding characteristic of this **single** man - integrity:
"Integrity is soundness of moral character; being honest, ethical, punctual; a faithfully obedient servant". It is what defines you even when no one else can see you.
- C. The amazing historical footnote for this prophetic book:

II. HIGHLIGHTING DANIEL'S INTEGRITY AND THE BLESSINGS THAT ACCOMPANIED IT:

- A. The testimony of a lifetime:
 - 1. Integrity as a faithful teen: Chapter 1
 - 2. Integrity as a faithful young man: Chapter 2
 - 3. Integrity in the trenches of life: Chapters 3-5
 - 4. Integrity, God's profile: Chapter 6
 - a. The proper attitude: v. 3
 - b. Faithfulness with responsibilities: v. 4
 - c. The importance of a pure conscience: v. 4
 - d. Placing first things first: v. 5 (*Mt. 6:33*)
 - e. Practicing dependence: vv. 10-11
- B. The three prophetic visions:
 - 1. The Gentile nations: (*Dan. 7*)
 - 2. The Persian Kingdom: (*Dan. 8*)
 - 3. The tribulation: (*Dan. 9-10*)

III. APPLICATIONS: (*Together becoming "people of the Word" in principle AND in practice*)

- A. Walking with God is never settling for second best. (*Dan. 2:48; 5:29; 6:3, 28*)
- B. Choosing to pursue integrity forces me to make my decisions with eternity in mind. (*Dan. 3:17-18; 5:22-23*)
- C. Integrity is forged in proportion to my time spent depending on the Lord in prayer. (*Dan. 2:18-19; 6:10-11; 9:3-19*)