

Talk It Over January 7-8, 2023

"In the first year of Darius son of Ahasuerus, of the offspring of the Medes, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans—In the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, understood from the books the number of years which, according to the Word of the Lord to Jeremiah the prophet, must pass by before the desolations [which had been] pronounced on Jerusalem should end; and it was seventy years. And I set my face to the Lord God to seek Him by prayer and supplications, with fasting and sackcloth and ashes; and I prayed to the Lord my God and made confession and said, 'O Lord, the great and dreadful God, Who keeps covenant, mercy, and loving-kindness with those who love Him and keep His commandments, we have sinned and dealt perversely and done wickedly and have rebelled, turning aside from Your commandments and ordinances. Neither have we listened to and heeded Your servants the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our kings, our princes and our fathers, and to all the people of the land." - Daniel 9:1-6 (AMPC)

Imagine a God so real, so loving, so available that He commands us to come into His presence.

God's "Presence" is just as available to you and me as it was to Daniel.

Daniel wanted his mind informed and his spirit dominated by whatever God had said or is saying about his current situation.

Daniel wanted to be sensitive to God's divine will and his own human responsibility.

The supplication offered before God's Throne becomes the instrument of His activity on the Earth.

Prayer puts God's Kingdom in full force on Earth. He shapes the world by prayer.

The culture of the Earth is transformed, revolutionized; angels are sent on assignments to accomplish His will, and His Kingdom on Earth is energized with signs, wonders, and miracles.

Prayer and fasting increase our spiritual capacity and our spiritual capital.

Prayer is the voice of need crying out to Him, Who is inexhaustible in resources.

Two things lie at the heart of all mature praying: a recognition of "God's goodness" (He is the covenant God) and a realization of the nature of our relationship with Him (We are in "covenant" with Him).

We don't pray "wondering if" God will answer but trusting He will respond "according to His will."

Daniel's prayer was people-oriented, but it was God-centered.

The covenant God is our Father. By His covenant, He brings us into His family.

He is never indifferent to even our self-caused needs.

Additional Scriptures: James 5:16 (TPT); I John 5:14-15 (TPT); Jeremiah 33:3 (AMPC)

NOTES:

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