

DANIEL 9:1-23 Part 1 By Louis Powell

FIRST FACTS

As we study chapter 9, we will divide it into two sessions. The first part will include verses 1 through 23. Remember the chapters are not in chronological order. Chapter 9 happens one year after the fall of Babylon to the Medo-Persian empire, in 538 B.C. The temple was destroyed 48 years earlier. Jerusalem is in rubble. Chapter 9 holds some of the greatest prophecies in the Bible. In part 2, we will see an insight to how exact God is in His future predictions.

VERSE 1

Who is Darius the Mede's father?

REVIEW OF DANIEL

CHAPTER 4

Chapter 4 is about Nebuchadnezzar learning a lesson about pride. God makes him act like a wild animal. Who wrote Daniel chapter 4?

CHAPTER 8

After chapter 7 shows the vision of 4 beasts, chapter 8 is a vision about a Ram and a He-Goat. The Ram is representative of Persia. What does the He-Goat represent?

CHAPTER 6

The chapters of Daniel are not listed in chronological order. We notice that chapters 1-4 are in order. Chapters 7 and 8 happen between chapters 4 and 5. Chapter 6 is about Daniel in the Lion's den. What chapter in date order does chapter 6 follow?



VERSE 2; 70 YEARS OF CAPTIVITY

Daniel was taken captive when he was about 16 years old. When he is about 84, he reads words from a prophet of God saying that the captivity of Judah will last 70 years. He is excited as he reads. He knows the end of their captivity will soon be finished. What book and chapters showed Daniel the captivity would last 70 years?

VERSES 3-4

Daniel gives us lessons we can follow in how to pray to God. After reading that the captivity will be over soon, he begins to pray instead of rejoicing. What two elements do we recognize we should follow when Daniel begins to pray? ______ and ______

VERSES 5-9

Daniel continues to pray by confessing his sins and the sins of his nation Judah. He acknowledges they have rebelled against God. After he confesses sin, what does Daniel plead God to give?

VERSES 10-15

Daniel remembers God's power to protect and provide for Israel when they left Egypt. Daniel even tells God that they deserved the evil that was upon them. When is our God righteous?

VERSES 16-19

Daniel prays to God with all his heart and request God to listen and open His eyes at the desolation over Jerusalem. He wants God to hear, forgive and to do what Daniel asks Him so that God is glorified. Daniel's prayer wants forgiveness. Daniel prays to receive God's ______



VERSES 20-23

Daniel is praying, speaking, confessing and presenting his request to God, when he is interrupted by the angel Gabriel. Gabriel brought the answer to Daniel. Gabriel was on his way to Daniel quickly as Daniel began to pray. When does God answer our prayers?

Answers: AHASUERUS, NEBUCHADNEZZAR, GREEK EMPIRE, CHAPTER 9,

JEREMIAH 25, 29, FOCUSED & SERIOUS, MERCY, ALL THE TIME, CHRIST

The chapters of Daniel are not all in chronological order. **Chronological Order** 1 Babylonian Captivity 606 B.C. 2 Nebuchadnezzar's Dream 602 B.C. 3 Nebuchadnezzar's Image 4 Nebuchadnezzar's Pride 7 The vision of the 4 beasts 556 B.C. 8 Ram and He-goat vision 554 B.C. 5 Babylon falls to Persians 539 B.C. 9 Vision of seventy weeks 538 B.C. 6 The Lions' Den 10 -12 Closing visions

> (Ref.: Adam Clarke, Karl Keil, Warren Wiersbe, J. Vernon McGee, Chuck Missler, Finis Dake, David Stern, Ancient Christian Commentary, Matthew Henry, Herodotus, Encyclopedia Britannica 1910, Robert Jeffress)