



Daniel

THRIVING IN EXILE.

CONNECT GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS: SUNDAY OCTOBER 7/ 2018

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LET'S TALK:

Is your natural response normally fight or flight?

GO TO THE WORD:

Read Jeremiah 29:4. What did the prophet Jeremiah speak to the exiled community about how they should live their lives?

Read John 17:13-18. What does it mean to be in the world but not of the world?

Pastor Jon said: "How do we as followers of Jesus live in a city like this, a country like ours?" What example does Daniel demonstrate? In what ways are you struggling to live a holy life in our current culture?

Read Daniel 1:12-14. What is the first word Daniel said? How did Daniel balance respect and protest? What does "godly protest" look like?

Read Daniel 1:15-16. Discuss: what was the outcome?

How many times do the words "God gave" appear in Chapter 1 and why is this so significant?

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Read Daniel 1:17. Why do you think God gave all these gifts to Daniel and his friends?

Compare Genesis 39:4 and Daniel 1:18-21. Discuss the ways in which Daniel's life parallels Joseph's life. Do you truly trust that God is able to make you thrive in exile? What role do you have to play and what role has God promised to play?

Read: Matthew 5:13-16 what does it mean to be salt and light?

WHAT NOW:

What area(s) in your life may God be calling you to “godly protest?”

Pastor Jon said: “We are called to stand and love and live within the city.” Do you struggle more with isolation or assimilation- in what areas do you hope to grow as you live a holy life in a post-Christian culture?

What kind of “good deeds” should characterize our Christian walk and how are you actively “engaging in mission?”

PRAY:

Read Daniel 1:20 and pray that God would bless us with this type of discernment, wisdom and understanding, so that we too may thrive in exile.

HOMEWORK: Read Daniel Chapter 2:1-16

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