



Message Devotional & Discussion Questions

10/22/2023

SERIES: Jesus Story: Daniel

WEEK: 4

MESSAGE: Under Pressure

COMMUNICATOR: Pastor Kevin Geer

CHECKING IN: How was your week? What was one of the highlights? Share wins (things God did that moved his mission forward and you closer to Jesus). What did you put into practice from last week's devotional & discussion?

QUESTIONS TO CONSIDER AND DISCUSS: These questions work well individually or in a group. The goal is to encourage spiritual growth, enhance biblical community and live it in the world around you.

1. Do you have any recurring dreams? If so, what is it? If not, what is one dream you remember that startled you?
 2. In a high tension or stressful situation do you "fight", "flight" or "freeze"? Do you have an example?
 3. Read Daniel 2:1-18. Who are the characters in this story and how did each react? How would you have reacted? What life lesson/s can we learn based on how they reacted?
 4. How did Daniel respond to this stressful or highly tense situation? Who do you call when you need someone to process and pray with you over a challenging situation?
 5. Read Hebrews 11:1-40. Pick out 1-2 examples from these "heroes of faith" that encourage or will help strengthen your own faith. Try to put this definition of faith in your own words?
 6. Share a life circumstance that strengthened your faith? What have been the results since?
 7. Leadership Principle: The more authority you have the more patience you need to exercise with people. How can you live out this principle at work, at home, with your kids, friends or family members?
 8. Regular Bible reading and prayer are two ways we can enhance and strengthen our faith. What makes it a challenge for you to read your Bible and pray regularly? What have been some positive results when you did read your Bible and pray regularly?
 9. Living a life of obedience is another way we will strengthen our faith. How do you define living a life of obedience? Does the word obedience conjure up positive or negative thoughts? What words would you use to describe an obedient follower of Christ?
 10. Who can you share a "Jesus win" with this week? What will you share with them? Pray for those conversations.
 11. **TRUTH DEMANDS A RESPONSE!** What is one action step you will take this week in response to our discussion or nudge from the Holy Spirit? Be specific.
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WANT TO GROW DEEPER? We have created some resources to help you grow. Check out and explore the *Experience God* page. Go to canvas.church/experience-god or *Experience God* on the App.

GROUP PRAYER OPTIONS:

- **Prayer Question:** "What's going on in our lives that we can involve Jesus?"
- **Ask:** What was one praise and one challenge you experienced this week? Celebrate the praises and pray for the challenges.
- **Ask** if anyone has a need or knows of a need, you can also offer "unspoken" prayer requests.
- **Pray for the person on your right, it can be out loud or in silence,** if in silence nudge the person next to you letting them know you are done.
- **Prayer Clusters:** Groups of two or three (by gender) and share your week together. Pray together and for each other. Send them a text, or leave a message letting them know you have prayed for them this week.
- **Have someone in your group keep an active list of the requests and the answers for both the updates and to celebrate the answers.**

Are you interested in the Bible and in helping Life Groups benefit from the weekend message? We have a team for you! Canvas members like you create these discussion guides each week. If you are interested in joining the team, please email rickz@canvas.church