

Sermon Notes

Big Idea: Daniel found himself living in a culture not unlike ours. It was a world of rapid change, moral compromise, and pressure to conform. He found himself face to face with a series of future-defining decisions: compromise his values or stand for his convictions. His character, courage and convictions resulted in a reliable roadmap for the church today.

Communion → Conviction → Character → Courage → Change

Daniel 10:1-21 (ESV)

Daniel's Prayer Life:

- 1) **He was Persistent**
- 2) **He was Consistent**

Prayer Does Two Things:

- 1) **Inhibits the work of darkness, and**
- 2) **Increases the work of the Holy Spirit, both in and around your life.**

Hindrances to Prayer:

- 1) **Unseen Warfare**
- 2) **Unconfessed Sin**
- 3) **Unforgiving Heart**
- 4) **Uncaring Attitude**
- 5) **Unacceptable Motives**

Let's be persistent and consistent in prayer as we trust God's will and timing

Discussion Questions

- 1) What impacted you the most from this week's message? Encouraged you? Challenged you?
- 2) Share about a time in your life when you prayed for something or someone for a long period of time. Has God answered that prayer? Did you give up? Or are you still praying?
- 3) How have you experienced spiritual opposition? How have you dealt with feeling weak, discouraged, helpless? In what ways do you draw strength from your faith in Jesus?
- 4) Throughout history there have been godly men and women who have stood for what is right. Who do you know that is currently standing for the good things of God? In what ways are you having to stand with conviction in our culture of compromise?
- 5) What is at least one thing you're taking away from this Daniel series that will have/has had an impact on how you practically walk with Jesus?