

DANIEL

FAITH UNDER FIRE

DANIEL 9:1-19

“Prayer of The Prophet”



Three Nines

- Ezra 9

- Nehemiah 9

- Daniel 9

I. The Promptings of His Prayer

VS 1-2

Daniel 9:1-2

In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the lineage of the Medes, who was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans— in the first year of his reign I, Daniel, understood by the books the number of the years *specified* by the word of the Lord through Jeremiah the prophet, that He would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.

DANIEL 8:27

27 And I, Daniel, fainted and was sick for days; afterward I arose and went about the king's business. I was astonished by the vision, but no one understood it.

Prophecy revolves around the Nation of Israel

If you remove Israel from the equation of Bible prophecy, you won't be able to understand it. It won't make sense.

Daniel was a student of the Bible.

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Sabbath Year

Every seven years they were instructed by God that the land of Israel was to lie fallow –you wouldn't harvest, plow, or plant it.

You would let the ground rest, which actually turns out that it's good for the soil.

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{490 \text{ years}} \\ & \mathbf{divided by 7 \text{ years}} \\ & \mathbf{=} \\ & \mathbf{70 \text{ years}} \end{aligned}$$

Daniel 9:2

...by the word of the Lord through Jeremiah the prophet, that He would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.

**2 Places in Jeremiah where 70
years are mentioned:**

Jeremiah 25

Jeremiah 29

Jeremiah 25:8-9

Therefore thus says the Lord of hosts: 'Because you have not heard My words, 9 behold, I will send and take all the families of the north,' says the Lord, 'and Nebuchadnezzar the king of Babylon, My servant, and will bring them against this land, against its inhabitants, and against these nations all around, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, a hissing, and perpetual desolations.'

Jeremiah 25:10-11

10 Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones and the light of the lamp. 11 And this whole land shall be a desolation and an astonishment, and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon **seventy years.**

II. The Penitence of His Prayer

VS 3-6

Daniel 9:3-4

3 Then I set my face toward the Lord God to make request by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes. 4 And I prayed to the Lord my God, and made confession, and said, "O Lord, great and awesome God, who keeps His covenant and mercy with those who love Him, and with those who keep His commandments,

Daniel 9:5-6

5 we have sinned and committed iniquity, we have done wickedly and rebelled, even by departing from Your precepts and Your judgments. 6 Neither have we heeded Your servants the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our kings and our princes, to our fathers and all the people of the land.

**Bible Study and Prayer
go together!**

Effective Bible study is when we pray while we're studying, before we study, and as a result of our Bible study, it forces us to get on our knees and pray that God would make it real and alive in our own lives.

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III. The Particulars of His Prayer

VS 7-15

Daniel 9:7

O Lord, righteousness *belongs* to You, but to us shame of face, as *it is* this day—to the men of Judah, to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and all Israel, those near and those far off in all the countries to which You have driven them, because of the unfaithfulness which they have committed against You.

Daniel 9:8-9

8 "O Lord, to us belongs shame of face, to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, because we have sinned against You. 9 To the Lord our God belong mercy and forgiveness, though we have rebelled against Him.

Daniel 9:10-11

10 We have not obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in His laws, which He set before us by His servants the prophets. 11 Yes, all Israel has transgressed Your law, and has departed so as not to obey Your voice; therefore the curse and the oath written in the Law of Moses the servant of God have been poured out on us, because we have sinned against Him.

Daniel 9:12

12 And He has confirmed His words, which He spoke against us and against our judges who judged us, by bringing upon us a great disaster; for under the whole heaven such has never been done as what has been done to Jerusalem.

Daniel 9:13

13 "As it is written in the Law of Moses, all this disaster has come upon us; yet we have not made our prayer before the Lord our God, that we might turn from our iniquities and understand Your truth."

Daniel 9:14

14 Therefore the Lord has kept the disaster in mind, and brought it upon us; for the Lord our God is righteous in all the works which He does, though we have not obeyed His voice.

Daniel 9:15

15 And now, O Lord our God, who brought Your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and made Yourself a name, as it is this day—we have sinned, we have done wickedly!

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2 Corinthians 6:14

14 Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness?

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Effective Ways to Pray

**Find something God has promised,
make sure that you meet the
conditions of that promise, and then
plead that promise on your behalf.**

IV. The Petitions of His Prayer

VS 16-19

Daniel 9:16

16 "O Lord, according to all Your righteousness, I pray, let Your anger and Your fury be turned away from Your city Jerusalem, Your holy mountain; because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and Your people are a reproach to all those around us.

Daniel 9:17

17 Now therefore, our God, hear the prayer of Your servant, and his supplications, and for the Lord's sake cause Your face to shine on Your sanctuary, which is desolate.

Daniel 9:18

18 O my God, incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city which is called by Your name; for we do not present our supplications before You because of our righteous deeds, but because of Your great mercies.

Daniel 9:19

19 "O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! Do not delay for Your own sake, my God, for Your city and Your people are called by Your name."

First Petition (VS 16)

**...let Your anger and Your fury be turned
away from Your city Jerusalem, Your holy
mountain;**

Second Petition (VS 17)

**...hear the prayer of Your servant, and
his supplications,**

Third Petition (VS 17)

...for the Lord's sake cause Your face to shine on Your sanctuary, which is desolate.

Fourth Petition (VS 18)

...18 O my God, incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city which is called by Your name;

Fifth Petition (VS 19)

19 "O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! Do not delay for Your own sake, my God, for Your city and Your people are called by Your name."

The purpose of prayer is not to get our will done on earth, it's to get God's will done in heaven.

**Your kingdom come,
Your will be done,
On earth as *it is* in heaven**

James 5:16

**...the effective, fervent prayer of a
righteous man avails much.**

Jeremiah 29:8

8 For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let your prophets and your diviners who are in your midst deceive you, nor listen to your dreams which you cause to be dreamed.

Jeremiah 29:9

9 For they prophesy falsely to you in My name; I have not sent them, says the Lord.

Jeremiah 29:10

10 For thus says the Lord: **After seventy years are completed at Babylon,** I will visit you and perform My good word toward you, and **cause you to return to this place.**

Jeremiah 29:11

11 For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope.

Jeremiah 29:12-13

12 Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you.

13 And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart.

Jeremiah 29:14

14 I will be found by you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back from your captivity; I will gather you from all the nations and from all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you to the place from which I cause you to be carried away captive.

Daniel 9:24

"Seventy weeks are determined
For your people and for your holy city...

Daniel 9:24-27

An amazing prophecy that includes the tribulation period, the coming of antichrist, the Second Coming, the Kingdom Age, and Messiah

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