

The Book of Daniel-Outline, Subpoints, and Questions  
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from God**

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**Chapter One: Prologue: After the Jerusalem Invasion by King Nebuchadnezzar (1-2)**

- Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah's introduction (3-7)
- The Daniel Plan?! (8-16)
- King Nebuchadnezzar's favor of Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah (17-21)

**Chapter Two: Dream A Little Dream (1-49)**

- King Nebuchadnezzar's anxiety about a dream (1-3)
- King Nebuchadnezzar's command to his magicians and diviners to tell him of his dream. They admit they cannot accomplish this (4-11).
- The king's rage against the divine court (12)
- Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah's petition to the Lord (13-18)
- Daniel's praise to God concerning the revelation of King Nebuchadnezzar's dream (19-24)
- Daniel's explanation to King Nebby concerning the dream (25-30)
- King Nebuchadnezzar's dream told by Daniel (31-35)
- The explanation and meaning of the dream (36-45)
- Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah honored by King Nebby (46-49)

**Chapter Three: Bow To the Golden Image (or the Chocolate Bunny)! (1-30)**

- King Nebuchadnezzar's command to pay homage to the golden image and the consequence for refusing (1-9)
- The refusal of Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah to bow to the golden image (10-18)
- The heat of King Nebby and the furnace (19-23)
- And then there were *four*?! (24-27).
- Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah were honored (28-30).

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### **Chapter Four: King Nebuchadnezzar's Testimony (1-37)**

- King Nebuchadnezzar's praise to God (1-3)
- King Nebuchadnezzar's second dream (4-18)
- Daniel explained/interpreted King Nebuchadnezzar's dream (19-27)
- King Nebuchadnezzar's dream completed (28-33)
- King Nebuchadnezzar's praise to God (34-37)

### **Chapter Five: The Writing on the Wall (1-31)**

- Belshazzar's banquet (1-4)
- The writing on the wall (5-12)
- Daniel explained/interpreted the writing on the wall (13-28)
- The death of a king and the rise of another (29-31)

### **Chapter Six: Enter Darius I (1-28)**

- The establishment of Darius as the vice-regent of Babylon (1-5)
- The establishment of the law of Darius to not petition any other god except the god of the Persians (6-9)
- Daniel's violation of the law (10-15)
- Daniel contained and delivered from the lion's den (16-22)
- The justice of King Darius (23-24)
- The praise of God from King Darius I (25-28)

### **Chapter Seven: Daniel's First Vision (1-28)**

- The four beasts and their qualities (1-8)
- The "Ancient of Days" (9-12)
- The reign of the "Son of Man" (13-14)
- The explanation/interpretation of the dream (15-28)

### **Chapter Eight: Daniel's Second Vision (1-27)**

- The vision of the ram and goat (1-8)
- The vision of the "little horn" (9-14)
- The explanation/interpretation of the ram and the goat (15-27)

### **Chapter Nine: Daniel's Visitation (1-27)**

- Daniel's prayer (1-19)
- Gabriel appears to Daniel (20-23)
- "Seventy-sevens" message from Gabriel (24-27)

### **Chapter Ten: Daniel's Third Vision (1-21)**

- A man appears to Daniel (1-9)
- A delay in the message and the explanation for the delay (10-21)

### **Chapter Eleven: The Time of the Gentile Rulers (1-45)**

- The rise of the three rulers after Darius (1-4)
- The rise between the "King of the North" and "King of the South" (5-35)
- The rise of the "king that will do as he pleases" and his ultimate end (36-45)

### **Chapter Twelve: The End of Days (1-13)**

- The rise of Michael the Archangel and the times of distress (1-2)
- The rise of those who have "insight" and the shame of those who do not (3-5)
- Daniel's question to the men (5-8)
- The man's response to Daniel (9-10)

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- 1290-1335 days? (11-12)
- The promise to Daniel concerning the end of the age (13)

### **Some Pertinent Questions to Explore from Each Chapter**

#### **Chapter One**

1. Why does the book begin like this? (vs. 1-3)
2. What do Daniel and his companions' names mean (that is Belteshazzar, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-nego)? (v.7)
3. Why was it favorable for Daniel and his companions to deny the king's food? (vs. 8-16)

#### **Chapter Two**

1. Why does it switch from Hebrew to Aramaic in verse 4?
2. Is the switch of the language random or is it coordinated?
3. If this switch of the language is coordinated, why?
4. What are the four "kingdoms" of King Nebuchadnezzar's dream? (vs. 20-49)

#### **Chapter Three**

1. What is the golden image? (v. 1)
2. Why is Daniel not mentioned among his three companions at this event? (v. 12)
3. Who was the fourth man among his companions if not Daniel? (v. 25)

#### **Chapter Four:**

1. Why does King Nebuchadnezzar write in Daniel's book? (v.1-2)
2. Why is this historical account placed here in Daniel?

#### **Chapter Five:**

1. Why is this banquet important? (vs. 1-12)
2. Why is this historical account recorded here in Daniel?

#### **Chapter Six:**

1. What is the law of the Medes and Persians? (v. 8)
2. Why is this historical account recorded here in Daniel?

#### **Chapter Seven:**

1. What are these four beasts and why does Daniel see them? (vs. 1-8)
2. Who is the "Ancient of Days" and why is this description used? (v. 9)
3. Who is the one like a "Son of Man" and why is this important for Daniel to know? (v. 13)

#### **Chapter Eight:**

1. What is the vision of the ram and the goat? (vs. 1-8)
2. What is the "little horn?" (v. 9)
3. Why are these things important for Daniel to know?

#### **Chapter Nine:**

1. Why does it begin with Daniel praying to the Lord? (v. 3)
2. Who is Gabriel? (v. 21)
3. Why is Gabriel sent? (vs. 22-23)
4. What are the "seventy-weeks?" (v. 24)

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5. Who is “Your people” in this text? (v. 24)
6. Who is Messiah the Prince? (v. 26)
7. Who is the “prince who is to come?” (v. 26)
8. What does “one week” mean in this text?” (v. 27)
9. What is the “firm covenant?” (v. 27)
10. Who is “the many?” (v. 27)

**Chapter Ten:**

1. What is this man that appears to Daniel? (v. 5)
2. Why was Daniel mourning for three entire weeks? (vs. 2-3)
3. Who is the “prince of the kingdom of Persia?” (v. 13)
4. Who is “your people” referring to in this text? (v. 14)
5. Who is the “prince of Greece?” (v. 20)
6. Who is Michael “your prince?” (v. 21)

**Chapter Eleven:**

1. Who are the three kings who will arise in Persia? (v. 2)
2. Who is the fourth king that will have far more riches? (v. 2)
3. Who is the “mighty king” who will arise? (v. 3)
4. Why is his kingdom broken up? (v. 4)
5. Who is the King of the South? (v. 5)
6. Who is the King of the North? (v. 6)
7. Who is the king that “will do as he pleases?” (v. 36)
8. How will the king of the North and the South interact with this king? (vs. 37-45)
9. What is the “Beautiful Land?” (v. 41)
10. What is the royal pavilion and the Holy Mountain? (v. 45)

**Chapter Twelve:**

1. Who are “those who have insight?” that Daniel writes about (v. 3)
2. Why is Daniel told to “seal up the book until the end of time?” (v. 4)
3. What does it mean that knowledge will increase? (v. 4)
4. What does “times, time, and half a time” mean? (v. 7)
5. What is 1290 days? (v. 11)
6. What is the 1335 days? (v.12)
7. What is the “abomination of desolation?” (v. 11)
8. How is one blessed after the 1335 days? (v. 12)
9. What is the “end of the age?” (v. 12)
10. When is the “end of the age?” (v. 12)
11. What does all this mean? (v. 13)

*Next up...The Book of Daniel Chapter One (Part One)*