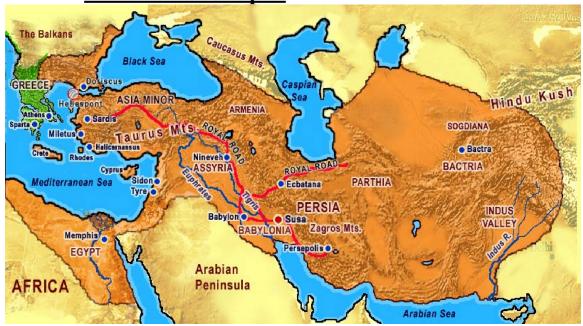


# "SIX KEYS TO SPIRITUAL VICTORY!" Daniel Chapter 6

> Medo-Persian Empire



## > <u>SIX KEYS TO SPIRITUAL VICTORY:</u>

## > <u>VICTORY KEY #1 – (v1-3) BE OF AN EXCELLENT SPIRIT!</u>

- Believers must be ready for SPIRITUAL WARFARE, Peter writes in 1 Peter 5:8-11 Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. Resist him, steadfast in the faith, knowing that the same sufferings are experienced by your brotherhood in the world. But may the God of all grace, who called us to His eternal glory by Christ Jesus, after you have suffered a while, perfect, establish, strengthen, and settle you. To Him be the glory and the dominion forever and ever. Amen.
- <u>How to have an EXCELLENT SPIRIT!</u> Ephesians 5:1-17 (There are three traits of an excellent spirit, (1) LOVE, (2) LIGHT, (3) WISDOM!)

## > VICTORY KEY #2 – (v4-9) BE FAITHFUL!

- Observe Daniel's FAITHFULNESS:
  - No <u>Charge</u>
  - No Error
  - No Fault

- How to produce FAITHFULNESS! Hebrews 12:1-2 Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.
- Let us have FAITH that HONORS GOD! Colossians 3:22-25 Bondservants, obey in all things your masters according to the flesh, not with eyeservice, as men-pleasers, but in sincerity of heart, fearing God. And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for-you serve the Lord Christ. But he who does wrong will be repaid for what he has done, and there is no partiality.

#### > <u>VICTORY KEY #3 – (v10a) BE PRAYERFUL!</u>

- Pray like JESUS! - Matthew 6:8-13 - "Therefore do not be like them. For your Father knows the things you have need of before you ask Him. In this manner, therefore, pray:

Our Father in heaven,

Hallowed be Your name.

Your kingdom come.

Your will be done

On earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our debts,

As we forgive our debtors.

And do not lead us into temptation,

But deliver us from the evil one.

For Yours is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

- <u>Pray for LEADERS!</u> - 1 Timothy 2:1-8 - Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. <u>For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.</u> For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle — I am speaking the truth in Christ and not lying — a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth. I desire therefore that the men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting

- Pray for the NATION! 2 Chronicles 7:14-18 if My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin and heal their land. Now My eyes will be open and My ears attentive to prayer made in this place. For now I have chosen and sanctified this house, that My name may be there forever; and My eyes and My heart will be there perpetually. As for you, if you walk before Me as your father David walked, and do according to all that I have commanded you, and if you keep My statutes and My judgments, then I will establish the throne of your kingdom, as I covenanted with David your father, saying, 'You shall never fail to have a man as ruler in Israel.'
- <u>Insight on DAILY PRAYERS</u> The most important part of a believer's life is the part that only God sees, our daily private time of study and prayer, "You pray as your face is set towards Jerusalem or Babylon" said British theologian P.T. Forsythe. Most of the world begins the day looking toward the world and hoping to get something from it, <u>but the Christian believer looks to the Lord and His promises and enters each new day by faith. Outlook determines outcome, and when we look to the Lord for His guidance and help each day, we know that the outcome is in His hands and that we have nothing to fear. "Real true faith is man's <u>weakness leaning on God's strength," said D.L. Moody.</u> (from The Bible Exposition Commentary)</u>

#### > <u>VICTORY KEY #4 – (v10b-15) BE THANKFUL!</u>

- Stop the ANXIETY! - Philippians 4:6-8 – <u>Be anxious for nothing</u>, (meaning "stop worrying about one little thing") but in everything by prayer and supplication, <u>with thanksgiving</u>, let your requests be made known to God; and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

## > VICTORY KEY #5 – (v16-24) BE A SERVANT OF GOD!

- Ephesians 6:10-18 <u>Put on the full ARMOR OF GOD!</u>
- Paul writes in Romans 16:20 And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus be with you
- Jesus is the LION FROM THE TRIBE OF JUDAH (Revelation Ch. 5)
- Satan and his demons will be DEFEATED (Revelation Ch. 20)

## > <u>VICTORY KEY #6 – (v25-28) BE A WITNESS!</u>

- Jesus said in Matthew 28:18-20 - And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. <u>Go</u> therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name

of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Amen.