

SUMMARY OF DANIEL

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CHAPTER 1: FAITH THAT REFUSES TO COMPROMISE – WHEN SHOULD WE CHALLENGE CULTURE?

God raised up King Nebuchadnezzar and Babylon to punish Israel for their worship of false gods. Daniel taken captive as a young teenager w/o mom and dad and despite the King's orders about what to eat he remained faithful to his faith and was rewarded with leadership power by the king. Exile to Babylon would last for 70 years all completed within Daniel's lifetime. Key vs. for condition of Israel Jer 27:5-7, 36:23. Key vs. 9,17

CHAPTER 2: FEELING ANXIOUS ABOUT THE FUTURE

Chap 2:4 through chapter 7 written in common language of Gentiles, Aramaic. Chapter 1 and 8-12 are written in Hebrew. Interprets dream of King Neb. God is in control of every world empire and they won't last, God's kingdom will last forever. Key vs. 2:10-11.

CHAPTER 3: FACING THE FIERY FURNACE

Who hasn't been in a furnace? How far are you willing to go in standing for your faith? This chapter ushers in "The Times of the Gentiles" which does not end until Rev. 13:14b-18. Daniel's friends are thrown into the furnace, Daniel is not mentioned in this chapter. Key Vs 17-18

CHAPTER 4: HANDLING SUCCESS SUCCESSFULLY

King Neb reduced to an animal for key period of time 7 years. Chapter 2 and 4 are key chapters to understanding the whole Bible. Theme of Daniel repeated 3 x in vs. 17,25 & 32. God is sovereign over the kingdoms of men and gives them to anyone He wishes. Pride most fundamental sin. Key vs. 34,36-37.

CHAPTER 5: THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL

God's hand writes on the wall at a feast and Daniel interprets the fall of Babylon. What do you hold as sacred? Chapter 7-8 come before chapter 5. Key vs. 11-12, 22-23, 27, 31.

CHAPTER 6: ARE YOU READY FOR THE LION'S DEN?

Focus of chapter was why was Daniel thrown into the lion's den? His consistent life style and character vs. the jealousy of others. Start of Medo-Persian Empire. Key vs. 16, 20, 26.