

# THE BOOK OF DANIEL

Humility in a World of Pride



# DANIEL

This is one of the Bible's prophetic books. Daniel and three of his friends were trained and put into the service of the Babylonian King, Nebuchadnezzar, who had conquered Jerusalem, looted the temple, and taken hundreds of people captive.

Daniel and his friends had to face the world around them, exposed to kings who did not fear the Lord. However, they determined to change their perspective on the situation, maintain their God-given identity, and not compromise their love for God.

This study will help you understand that pride is overcome with humility, that God's plans are fulfilled in His time, and that every situation has a greater purpose.

# DANIEL 1

DAY 1

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**Reflection:**

*Daniel did not choose to be in Babylon, but he did choose to overcome the situation, not lose his identity, and be excellent in his work.*

*What situation do you need to see from God's perspective in your life?*

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*Pray to the Lord that your identity may be steadfast in Him.*

# DANIEL 2:1-23

DAY 2

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**Reflection:**

*Daniel and his friends found themselves in a life-or-death situation. Again, Daniel recognized that God had control of the situation and sought His guidance in prayer.*

*After receiving the Lord's response, Daniel praised God and recognized His power over the Earth.*

*Ask yourself today: In times of difficulty, is my first reaction to seek God or is it my last resort? Write about a time you found the Lord's response during prayer and praise.*

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# DANIEL 2:24-49

DAY 3

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**Reflexión:**

*Daniel shows the greatness of God to Nebuchadnezzar by describing his dream and interpreting it.*

*Many times, God uses the situations we face so that others may know and receive salvation.*

*We invite you to pray to the Lord and ask Him to fulfill His purpose in what you are going through so that His name would be exalted. This will allow you to let go of the situation, put it in His hands, and let Him take control.*

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# DANIEL 3

DAY 4

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**Reflection:**

*It is very exciting to see how God backs us up when we do not bow to the rules of the world. These three friends were brave in not opposing the punishment they would receive for not kneeling before the gold statue built by Nebuchadnezzar.*

*Staying true to God's principles is not an easy thing to do. It requires conviction and courage. However, God demonstrated His sovereignty yet again by protecting them from danger.*

*Would you be willing to face the consequences of going against the current?  
In what aspects of your life do you need to strengthen your trust in the Lord?*

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*Pray to God to reveal His sovereignty in every situation of your life. You will see His hand over everything. He will be your shield and strength for being faithful to His Word.*

# DANIEL 4:1-18

DAY 5

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**Reflection:**

*A testimony speaks louder than words. That is why Nebuchadnezzar acknowledged the special quality in Daniel and trusted his judgment.*

*God has placed you in strategic places to be a reflection of Him and has given you gifts and talents to demonstrate His power on Earth.*

*Think about these verses and teach your heart to recognize that your ability comes from God to fulfill the plan He has created for you.*

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# DANIEL 4:18-37

DAY 6

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**Reflection:**

*The king's dream was an opportunity for him to recognize that God is the owner of everything and that there is no one like Him; however, he had to humble himself to be transformed.*

*That is why this chapter ends by saying, "Therefore, I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise, exalt, and glorify the King of heaven..."*

*If you translate this to your life, is there any area where you need to let go of control and humble yourself before God to experience true transformation?*

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*God is merciful and loves you.*

# DANIEL 5

DAY 7

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**Reflection:**

*Pride is a stumbling block in your life. And although it is cultivated through experiences, it is a personal decision.*

*Recognizing God as your only Lord and Savior has the power to transform your life.*

*Today, look within your heart and honestly consider if the attitude with which you face life is humble or prideful. When we take notice of those attitudes, we open the door to repentance and, consequently, to inner transformation.*

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*Pray to the Holy Spirit to reveal the pride in your heart, ask for forgiveness, and acknowledge God in all your ways.*

# DANIEL 6

DAY 8

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**Reflection:**

*Once again, God was faithful to Daniel for his integrity, and for continuing his times of prayer and praise, even though it could cost him his life.*

*In a society where there is no clarity about what is good or bad, the integrity of God's children is tested. Being faithful to God's Word is a decision that surpasses social standards.*

*Decide today in your heart not to bow to the "common things" of the world but to live an integral life in the eyes of God who sees everything.*

*Think about and write down your standards for living an integral life in God.*

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# DANIEL 7

DAY 9

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**Reflection:**

*Daniel is a prophetic book. God chooses specific people to reveal His plans and what will happen in the future. A prophecy from God acts as a warning to His people (us, His children) and provides a path to salvation.*

*This writing relates to the present and how the kingdoms of the Earth will finally recognize God's dominion over everything.*

*That reign also includes our lives. Say a prayer surrendering the total dominion of your life to Jesus and allow Him to reign in your decisions.*

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# DANIEL 8

DAY 10

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**Reflection:**

*Again, the Lord reveals the future to Daniel. This time, Daniel knows God's plans for the end times.*

*This causes curiosity and fear in some, but the truth is that this time will come. We do not know when, but the promise is that the Prince of Princes will prevail, and that promise is true and will be fulfilled.*

*Until that moment arrives, we must prepare and remain steadfast in God's commandments, teach them to our generations, and wait in peace.*

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# DANIEL 9:1-19

DAY 11



**Reflection:**

*This prayer Daniel prayed is a good example of how we can approach God. Accepting that God has been good from the beginning of time and has remained faithful is a good place to start when praying.*

*Another important part is when Daniel asks for forgiveness for his sins and those of his people. Recognizing that we have sinned before Him and have been distant allows us to open a sincere stream of communication with our Father.*

*In your prayer today, read this chapter and dive in with humility, recognizing the wrong you have done before God. While doing so, remember how He has protected you until now with love and mercy.*

*There is much to thank the Lord for. Write down the reasons you are grateful to Him.*

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# DANIEL 9:20-27

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**Reflection:**

*Daniel had cried out for the liberating of his people, repented of sin, and asked for mercy, remembering what God had done for His chosen people.*

*A response came through Gabriel, a plan that God had created for the liberation of His children. That plan was eternal salvation through Jesus Christ and the perfect work of the Cross. It took some time, but God kept His promise.*

*"For God so loved the world that he gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16).*

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# DANIEL 10

DAY 13

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**Reflection:**

*This chapter begins with Daniel in a state of mourning and fasting, asking God for the liberation of His people, in prayer. During that time, a special visit brings a response from God.*

*God had heard Daniel's prayer from the very first day; however, there was opposition. This shows us a spiritual world that we cannot see, yet, that is real. God sent His best warriors to fight so that Daniel could receive his answer because he was very loved and valuable to God.*

*Likewise, God fights for you to see victory in what you pray for day and night.*

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# DANIEL 11

DAY 14

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**Reflection:**

*We see the description of what has happened in the past centuries and is happening now.*

*Wars and proud leaders with great falls that cause poverty and pain. This is the consequence of not allowing God to reign in people's lives and nation's governments.*

*His absence is not due to a lack of love; it's because we have decided to exclude Him from our plans.*

*Matthew 24:6-8 speaks of these things happening, and in the end, Jesus will come to take His children to fight a war that is already won.*

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# DANIEL 12

DAY 15



**Reflection:**

"But you, go your way till the end; you will rest, and then at the end of the days you will rise to receive your allotted inheritance" (Daniel 12:13).

What a great ending to this book. The prophecy from God brings warning and hope, which is an eternity with Jesus.

Today, reflect on eternity, on what happens after death, and think about what will happen at that moment. Where will I spend my eternity?

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*We invite you to say the following prayer:*

*Lord Jesus, today I recognize that You are the Son of the living God and that I need You in my life. I ask You to forgive my sins and what I've done that has created a gap between You and me.*

*Today I invite You to enter my life, take Your place in my heart, and be my Savior. I ask You to write my name in the Book of Life and never erase it. In the Name of Jesus, Amen.*