



BYKOTA
Verse by
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Journey
Through
The Book
of Daniel

Week 21

Daniel 9: 1(NASB)

*In the first year of Darius
the son of Ahasuerus, of
Median descent, who was
made king over the
kingdom of the Chaldeans*

Daniel 9: 2(NASB)

*in the first year of his reign,
I, Daniel, observed in the
books the number of the
years which was revealed
as the word of the Lord to
Jeremiah the prophet for the
completion of the desolations
of Jerusalem, namely,
seventy years.*

Daniel 9: 3(NASB)

So ***I gave my attention to***
the Lord God to seek Him by
prayer and supplications,
with fasting, sackcloth and
ashes.

Daniel 9: 3(KJV)

*And **I set my face unto** the
Lord God, to seek by prayer
and supplications, with
fasting, and sackcloth, and
ashes:*

Question

What is Daniel doing
now?

What does Daniel mean
when he says “*And I set
my face unto the Lord
God?*”

Question

What do these words of Daniel mean to you?

“to seek Him by prayer and supplications, with fasting, sackcloth, and ashes”

Question

What can we learn from
Daniel?

*Note: Prayer is a response
to the Word.*

Daniel 9: 4(NASB)

*I prayed to the Lord my God
and confessed and said,
“Alas, O Lord, the great and
awesome God, who keeps
His covenant and
lovingkindness for those
who love Him and keep His
commandments,*

Daniel 9: 5(NASB)

we *have sinned, committed iniquity, acted wickedly and rebelled, even turning aside from Your commandments and ordinances.*

Daniel 9: 6(NASB)

Moreover, we have not listened to Your servants the prophets, who spoke in Your name to our kings, our princes, our fathers and all the people of the land.

Daniel 9: 7(NASB)

“Righteousness belongs to You, O Lord, but to us open shame, as it is this day—to the men of Judah, the inhabitants of Jerusalem and all Israel, those who are nearby and those who are far away in all the countries

Daniel 9: 7(NASB)

*to which You have driven
them, because of their
unfaithful deeds which they
have committed against
You.*

Daniel 9: 8(NASB)

*Open shame belongs to us,
O Lord, to our kings, our
princes and our fathers,
because we have sinned
against You.*

Daniel 9: 9(NASB)

*To the Lord our God belong
compassion and
forgiveness, for we have
rebelled against Him;*

Daniel 9: 10(NASB)

nor have we obeyed the voice of the Lord our God, to walk in His teachings which He set before us through His servants the prophets.

Daniel 9: 11(NASB)

Indeed all Israel has transgressed Your law and turned aside, not obeying Your voice; so the curse has been poured out on us, along with the oath which is written in the law of Moses the servant of God, for we have sinned against Him.

Daniel 9: 12(NASB)

*Thus He has confirmed His words which He had spoken against **us** and against our rulers who ruled us, to bring on **us** great calamity; for under the whole heaven there has not been done anything like what was done to Jerusalem.*

Daniel 9: 13(NASB)

As it is written in the law of Moses, all this calamity has come on us; yet we have not sought the favor of the Lord our God by turning from our iniquity and giving attention to Your truth.

Daniel 9: 14(NASB)

Therefore the Lord has kept the calamity in store and brought it on us; for the Lord our God is righteous with respect to all His deeds which He has done, but we have not obeyed His voice.

Daniel 9: 15(NASB)

*“And now, O Lord our God,
who have brought Your
people out of the land of
Egypt with a mighty hand
and have made a name for
Yourself, as it is this day—
we have sinned, we have
been wicked.*

Daniel 9: 16(NASB)

*O Lord, in accordandce with all
Your righteous acts, let now
Your anger and Your wrath
turn away from Your city
Jerusalem, Your holy mountain;
for because of our sins and the
iniquities of our fathers,
Jerusalem and Your people
have become a reproach to all
those around us.*

Daniel 9: 17(NASB)

So now, our God, listen to the prayer of Your servant and to his supplications, and for Your sake, O Lord, let Your face shine on Your desolate sanctuary.

Daniel 9: 18(NASB)

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 are not presenting our supplications before You on account of any merits of our own, but on account of Your great compassion.

Daniel 9: 19(NASB)

O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and take action! For Your own sake, O my God, do not delay, because Your city and Your people are called by Your name.”

Question

What stands out to you about Daniel's prayer?

A true heart of prayer is:

- Rooted in Scripture

1 John 5: 14-15

This is the confidence which we have before Him, that, if we ask anything according to His will, He hears us. And if we know that He hears us in whatever we ask, we know that we have the requests which we have asked from Him.

A true heart of prayer is:

- Rooted in Scripture
- Revealed in Confession

James 5:16

Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.

A true heart of prayer is:

- Rooted in Scripture
- Revealed in Confession
- Presented in Supplication

Philippians 4: 6

*Be anxious for nothing,
but in everything by
prayer and supplication
with thanksgiving let your
requests be made known
to God.*

Question

What is supplication?

Webster-

To ask humbly and earnestly. Supplicate suggests a posture of humility.

Question

My definition of
supplication is:

Entering in the presence
of Almighty God and
knowing you don't
deserve to be there.

Luke 18: 10-14

“Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector.

The Pharisee stood and was praying this to himself: ‘God, I thank You that I am not like other people: swindlers, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I pay tithes of all that I get.’

Luke 18: 10-14

But the tax collector, standing some distance away, was even unwilling to lift up his eyes to heaven, but was beating his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me, the sinner!'

Luke 18: 10-14

I tell you, this man went to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted.”

A true heart of prayer is:

- Rooted in Scripture
- Revealed in Confession
- Presented in Supplication
- Selfless

Question

What is Daniel asking
for?

Daniel 9: 19(NASB)

O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and take action! For Your own sake, O my God, do not delay, because Your city and Your people are called by Your name.”

Question

Who is Daniel
praying for?

1 Samuel 12: 23

Moreover, as for me, far be it from me that I should sin against the Lord by ceasing to pray for you; but I will instruct you in the good and right way.

Question

Are you praying for God's
Church and for His
people?

Daniel 9: 20(NASB)

*Now while I was speaking
and praying, and confessing
my sin and the sin of my
people Israel, and
presenting my supplication
before the Lord my God in
behalf of the holy mountain
of my God,*

Note how God has
summarized how we
should pray in this single
verse.

Daniel 9: 20(NASB)

*Now while I was speaking
and praying, and
confessing my sin and the
sin of my people Israel,
and presenting my
supplication before the
Lord my God in behalf of
the holy mountain of my
God,*

Daniel 9: 21(NASB)

while I was still speaking in prayer, then the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision previously, came to me in my extreme weariness about the time of the evening offering.

Question

“about the time of the evening offering.”

What is Daniel referring to?

FIRST HOUR	DAWN
<p>The first lamb is brought out and tied to the altar at dawn <i>Mishnah: Tamid 3:2-3:3</i></p>	<p>The priests prepare the altar [Exodus 29:38-42; Leviticus 6:1-6; <i>Mishnah: Tamid 1:2</i>]</p>
THIRD HOUR	9AM
<p>The first lamb is sacrificed at 9AM <i>Mishnah: Tamid 3:7</i>; Edersheim, <i>The Temple</i>, chapter 7, p. 108</p>	<p>9AM is the first hour of prayer [Acts 2:15] Temple gates open "Shacharit"(morning)</p>
SIXTH HOUR	NOON
<p>The second lamb is brought out and tied to the altar at noon <i>Mishnah: Tamid 4:1</i></p>	<p>Noon is the second hour of prayer [Acts 3:1; 10:9] "<i>Minchah</i>" (gift-offering)</p>
NINTH HOUR	3PM
<p>The second lamb is sacrificed at 3PM <i>Antiquities of the Jews 14.4.3 (14:65)</i>; Philo <i>Special Laws I, XXXV (169)</i></p>	<p>3PM is the third hour of prayer; also called the hour of confession [Acts 3:1; 10:9] "<i>Ma'ariv</i>" (evening: our afternoon is the Jewish evening= next day began at sundown) [3 hours of prayer see <i>Mishnah Berakhot</i>]</p>