

Daniel's Prayer - Daniel 9:1-27

Topics: Angels, Confession, Consequences, Disobedience, God, Interpretation, Judgment, Mercy, People, Prayer, Punishment, Restoration, Sin, Timing

Open It

- * 1. When is it most difficult for you to own up to wrongdoing?
- 2. If God would grant you one request, what would it be?

Explore It

- 3. What did Daniel come to understand in the first year of the reign of Darius? (9:1-2)
- 4. What did Daniel's study of the Scripture lead him to do? (9:3)
- 5. What was the nature of Daniel's confession? (9:4-6)
- 6. How did Daniel expect that God in His righteousness would punish an unfaithful Israel? (9:7-11)
- 7. Because of her rebellion and disobedience, what did Israel experience? (9:11-14)
- * 8. What was the substance of Daniel's petition? (9:15-19)
- 9. Who came to Daniel while he was praying? (9:20-21)
- * 10. What was Gabriel's purpose in visiting Daniel? (9:22)
- 11. Why did Daniel receive such a prompt answer to his prayer? (9:23)
- * 12. What did God decree for Israel? (9:24-27)

Get It

- 13. How is your spiritual life affected by momentous world events?
- 14. Why did Daniel confess his sins?
- * 15. Why is confession of sin important?
- 16. When should we confess our sins to God?
- 17. In what ways do you feel implicated when sin is uncovered in the life of your church?
- 18. In your experience, what are the benefits of obedience to God?
- 19. On what basis do you make requests of the Lord?
- 20. When has God given an especially quick answer to your prayers?
- 21. When have you been confused by the Lord's response to your prayers?
- 22. When has the passage of time played an important part in an answer to your prayers?
- * 23. How can you become more confessional in your everyday life with the Lord?

Apply It

- * 24. When can you take some time this week to confess sin and thank God for His forgiveness?
- 25. For what needs in your church and community do you want to pray this week?
- 26. In what specific ways do you need God's grace and mercy in your life right now?