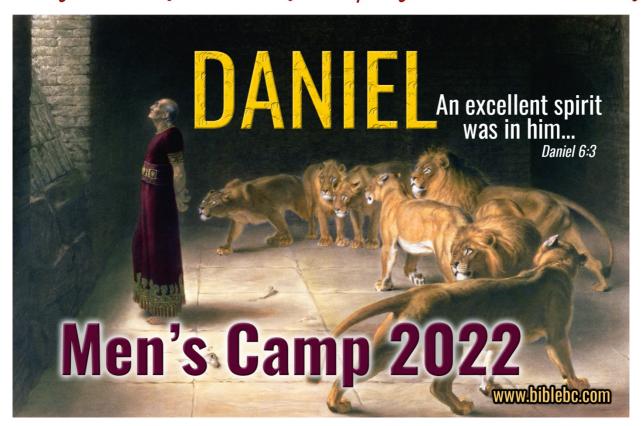
Ireland's Christian Men's Camp 2022 Watch ye, stand fast in the faith, quit you like men, be strong.



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Before you give into that temptation, remember where it took you last time.

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Schedule of Events

Time	Duration	Main Function	
THURSD	AY APRI	L 21	
Noon-3pn	ı	Start Arriving at Camp - Unpack and Start Dinner	, Setup everything
		Go for a walk, enjoy the area	
5:00pm	1:15 hr	Dinner (Lasagne, Chips, Garlic Bread, Salad)	
6:30pm	1 hr	Dessert, Tea and Coffee	
7:30pm	1:30 hr	Session – Resolved – Lines We Cannot Cross	Craig Ledbetter
9:00pm	1 hr	Bonfire	
10:00pm	1 hr	Go to the Abbey	
11:00pm		Fellowship time, and then to Sleep	
FRIDAY	APRIL 22		
7:30am	1 hr	Wake-Up and Shower	Prepare Breakfast
8:30am	30 min	Quiet Time Devotions (Having an Excellent Spirit	(t)
9:00am	1 hr	Breakfast (Toast, Porridge, Cereal, etc.)	
10:00am	1:30 hr	Session – Men Need Men	Declan Flanagan
11:30am	30 min	Break	Prepare Lunch
12:00	1 hr	Lunch (Burgers, Chips, Crisps, etc.)	
1:00pm	4:00 hrs	Sports / Gap of Dunloe - walking and climbing	
5:00pm	15 min	Group Photo	
5.15pm	1:15 hr	Dinner (Curry and Rice, Mixed Veg, etc.)	
6:30pm	1:30 hr	Session – Resting in the Sovereignty of God	Craig Ledbetter
8:00pm	30 min	Dessert, Tea and Coffee	
8:30pm	1:30 hr	Session – What Good is Repentance?	Layton Kelly
10:00pm	2 hr	Games, Bonfire/Fellowship	
12:00am	7:30hrs	Sleep	
SATURD	AY APRII	L 23	
7:30am	1 hr	Wake-Up and Shower	Prepare Breakfast
8:30am	30 min	Quiet Time Devotion (We Don't Have To Fear th	e End of The World)
9:00am	1 hr	Breakfast (Eggs, Sausages, Toast, Porridge, Cer	eal, etc.)
10:00am	1:30 hr	Session – Tips on Revelations	Craig Ledbetter
11:30am	1 hr	Pack-up and clean-up	
12:30pm		Leave for Home	



"an excellent spirit was in him." Daniel 6:3

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When my soul faint within me I remembered the LORD"

Jonah 2:7

Men of Faith We Have Studied Through the Years

MEN'S TRAINING CAMP

·Iron sharpeneth iron;

so a man sharpeneth

the countenance

of his friend.

Proverbs 27:17

MEN'S CAMP 2015

That this people may know that thou art the LORD God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again. 1 Kings 18:37 June 17-20 Mt Melleray Studying Elijah €75 Adult €45 Child Turning Men's HEARTS Back Again!

Faithful Men's

Spiritual Retreat 2006 Muckross Venture Centre, Killarney

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Faithful Men's Spiritual Retreat 2008

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Bandon Faith Mission Camp 27th - 29th March, 2008

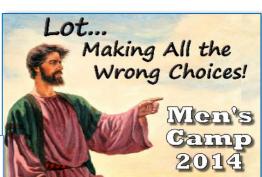
JONATHAN
APRIL 27-30, 2011
CAPPOQUIN, Co. WATERFORD

Studying the Life Principles of Job



"The LORD gave, and the LORD hath taken away; blessed be the name of the LORD." Job 1:21

Holding Fast in Times of Trial





I have fought a good fight... 2 Timothy 4:7

MEN'S CAMP

The Life of a Leader

a testimony." Hebrews 3:5

Moses:

Faithful Men's **Spiritual Retreat 2009**

Doing the Will of God from the Heart!

Bandon Faith Mission Camp

Studying the Life Principles of Joshua



"But charge Joshua, and encourage him, and strengthen him: for he shall go over before this people, and he shall cause them to inherit the land which thou shalt see. Deuteronomy 3:28

Preparing to Lead



Yielded Unto God

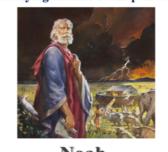
How Far Can We TRUST God?

"Present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is you reasonable service." Romans 12:1

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The Man With A Mission!



"Moses verily was faithful... a servant.

Faithful Men's Spiritual Retreat 2007

Bandon Faith Mission Camp

Studying the Life Principles of:



"And the Lord said,
Simon, Simon, behold, Satan
hath desired to have you, that
he may sift you as wheat:
But I have prayed for thee, that
thy faith fail not:
and when thou art converted,
strengthen thy brethren."

Luke 22:31,32

Old Habits Die Hard! But the CAN die... on the cross!

Faithful Men's Spiritual Retreat 2010 Mt Melleray Scouting Centre

Studying the Life Principles of Adam



"Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man oweth, that shall he also reap." Galatians 6:7

Taking Responsibility



The Daniel Song

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Captive in a foreign land, young Daniel stood his ground. He purposed not to defile himself by following the crowd. The king saw greatness in this man, and in everything he heard. 'Cause Daniel's heart beat for the Lord – t'was governed by God's word!



CHORUS

Daniel, had a life, that yielded to God's will.

The Spirit-of-God was found in him, and gave him his great skill.

Daniel, a Spirit-filled man - he's what we need today...

He faced his world one choice at-a-time - God's word he just obeyed!

Nebu-chadnezzar had a dream, that troubled-him to the core.

"Tell me my dream, and what it means - what the future has in store!"

No one could answer his demand, 'til Daniel intervened.

"There's a God in heaven who knows all things, and to you this news I'll bring."

"The future stood, before you king, as an image great and tall.

Four kingdoms in their beauty... would rise and then would fall.

A massive Stone, will come one day, and raze them to the ground.

Our-Messiah-will-reign o'er everything – when-as King of kings He's crowned!"

Daniel had fierce enemies, who en-vied him each day And they made a law against him, to arrest him while he prayed And when they finally got their man, to the lions they threw him down! Ol' Daniel proved that God still reigns – when He shut the lion's mouth!

CHORUS

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Repentance makes a man be real, with a heart both soft and strong. It breaks the chain of pride within, and corrects what-ever's wrong. The greatest desire in Daniel's life was not for wealth or pow-er; It's what we need – an ex-cellent spirit – to stand in this dark hour!

LAST CHORUS

Daniel, had a life, that yielded to God's will.

The Spirit-of-God was found in him, and gave him his great skill.

Daniel, a Spirit-filled man - he's what we need today.

He faced his world one choice at-a-time - God's word he just obeyed.

Let's face OUR world one choice at-a-time - God's word we WILL obey!

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We Need More Godly Men

Where have all the godly men gone? Where are the ones who have committed themselves to firmly obeying God's Word? It is up to us who have surrendered ourselves to God, to lead and encourage others to also make that same commitment. Many men simply need some help. A born-again believer in Christ, standing firm on the word of God has a responsibility to encourage and help all our brothers to be focused on becoming, and remaining godly men.

What does it mean to be a godly man? Simply put, it is living a life with the Lord Jesus Christ in control of our words, actions and our every decision! Anybody can "act" like a man, but only when someone yields to Christ's authority over their lives, will a man start to <u>live</u> godly! Godly men don't leave the raising of their families to the wife, or to the school, or even to the church – they personally lead their families in a humble walk with God! They grow in their own faith, and that results in their family also growing in their own faith. Godly men love their Lord, their wife, their children, and their calling, whatever God asks them to do and be.

A godly man is firmly devoted to his family. The godly man doesn't leave his children, break-up the family unit, or go out seeking another woman to be his companion. His wife is precious in his eyes and their marriage is a lifelong commitment. For a godly man there is no thought of shattering his family to pursue other interests. All of his personal interests are now always connected with his family.

Godly fathers have decided to be the example that their children will follow. Children are not fooled; many dads talk the religious talk, but when it comes to walking the walk, they constantly stumble, and their children notice. Gentlemen, are you reading your Bible, and obeying it, or... is your real interest in sports, movies, hobbies and your work? Children living in that type of household grow up totally rejecting the whole idea of following Jesus Christ. A son naturally looks to his father to learn to be a man. If that father does not take obeying God seriously then the son will not take God seriously either. A daughter looks to her father to understand what a husband should be. If her father compromises his role as a godly husband, the daughter will compromise in her choice of a husband. Is that what you want?

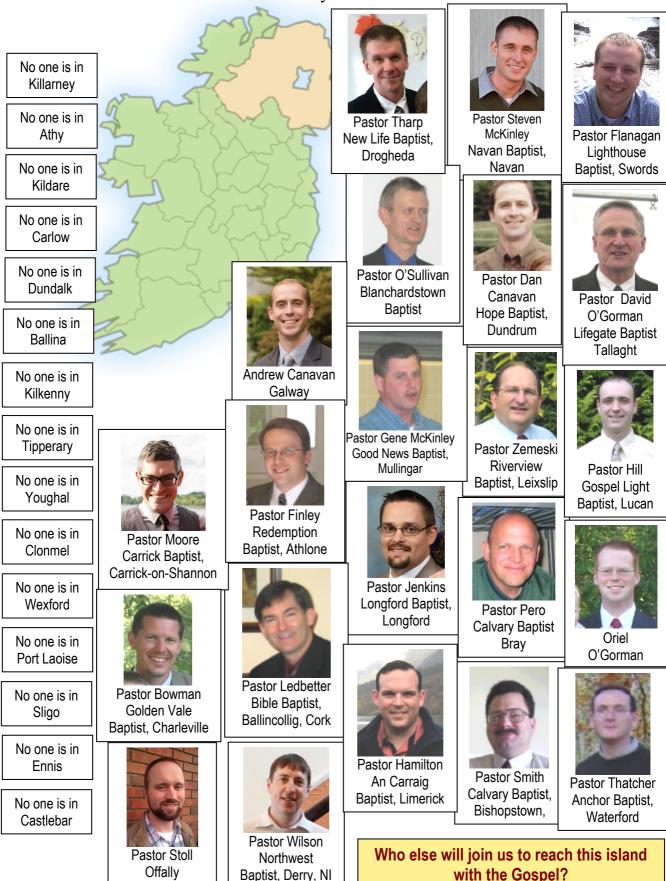
Men, we are raising the next generation, and for this reason we must stand up for Jesus Christ in our lives NOW while our children are young and allow them to witness first hand our faith and our love for Christ as we love them and as we publicly demonstrate our love for our wives. Too many families have been torn apart.

Every man and boy has the potential to grow to be a godly man. It's just a matter of just one person in their home being godly - learning the strong truths of God and then putting those precepts into place. Will YOU be that one person?

This weekend, tear down every idol that is stopping you from being godly. Because this world, our churches, and especially our families need to see more godly men!

If You Believe the Bible, then, You're Not Alone!

These are many of the Bible believing Pastors and Churches here in Ireland Thank God for these truly Faithful Men – God's Men!



A Summary of the Life of Daniel

By Andrew Day

An earthquake shakes the foundations of our security; a tornado blows away a lifetime of treasures; an assassin's bullet changes national history; a drunk driver claims an innocent victim; a divorce shatters a home. International and personal tragedies make our world seem a fearful place, overflowing with evil and seemingly out of control. The litany of bombings, coups, murders, rapes, and natural disasters could cause us to think that God is absent or impotent to do anything about these evils. It would be easy to cry out, "Where is God?", as we are engulfed by sorrow and despair.

Over 2500 years ago, around 605 BC, Daniel could have despaired at the evils of his day. He and thousands of his countrymen had been deported to a foreign land after Judah was conquered. Daniel found himself facing an egocentric despot and surrounded by idolaters of the Babylonian empire. Instead of giving in or giving up, this courageous young man held fast to his faith in his God. Daniel



knew that despite the circumstances, God was sovereign and was working out His plan for nations and individuals. Come, and explore with me the amazing life of this man, Daniel!

Daniel Is Captured And His Integrity Tested (Daniel 1)

Daniel was born during the middle of the reign of King Josiah, King Hezekiah's grandson. He grew up during the reforms brought upon the people by the king. King Josiah desired to serve God and bring the people back to worshipping God Almighty once again. It was also during this time that Daniel probably heard the prophet, Jeremiah. But sadly, tragedy struck. During these reformations of the kingdom, Josiah was killed in battle against Egypt and within four years Judah and Jerusalem had returned to its evil ways.



Around 605 BC, Nebuchadnezzar became king of Babylon. Babylon was becoming a powerful nation and Nebuchadnezzar was a ruthless and feared king throughout the known world at the time. When he swept into a country, defeat was certain. During the reign of King Jehoiakim of Judah, Nebuchadnezzar attacked Judah and surrounded Jerusalem, making Judah a vassal state. To demonstrate his dominance, he took many of Judah's royal children, wisest men, and the most beautiful of its women to Babylon as

captives. Daniel was among this group as they went on a 500-mile trek back to Babylon.

Upon arriving, Nebuchadnezzar instructed Ashpenaz, the master of his eunuchs, to give those captured from Jerusalem a daily provision of the king's meat and the of the wine he also drank. After three years he was then to bring them before the king in service. Daniel and his three friends, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah were among these captives.

Imagine being in Daniel's shoes. Tore away from everyone he cared and loved for and brought before a wicked and evil king. Surrounded by a nation who worshipped pagan gods and idols everywhere and being forced to learn a new language and culture. Not only that, but he was given a new Babylonian name. Nebuchadnezzar tried to replace everything in Daniel's life with the world and its influence. Daniel was called Belteshazzar, and his friends new names became Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego.



When Daniel heard about the food provision, he decided to not defile himself with the meat and wine, as he knew it most likely was food that had already been offered to the Babylonian gods or was something unlawful for a Jew to eat, like pork. He then requested of Ashpenaz for him to have permission to not eat this food. Ashpenaz was terrified of what could happen if Nebuchadnezzar found out and Daniel was not as strong health wise to the

others. Daniel then spoke to Melzar, Ashpenaz's servant and offered him a test. For ten days Daniel and his friends would only eat pulse (vegetables) and water and then see how they look compared to the others eating the king's provision. After ten days, Melzar compared them and behold, they were fairer looking and fatter in flesh than the other captives.

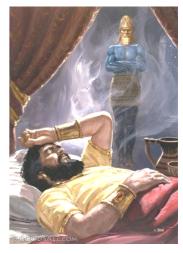
Melzar allowed them to eat their choice of diet and not the king's choice. Because of their faithfulness to God, God blessed them in knowledge, wisdom, and skill of learning. To Daniel, He gave understanding of visions and dreams.

At the end of the three years, they were brought before Nebuchadnezzar, and none were comparable to Daniel and his friends. They were given a place before the king and found them to be ten times better in matters of wisdom and understanding than all the magicians and astrologers in his kingdom.

Nebuchadnezzar's Dream (Daniel 2)

One evening, Nebuchadnezzar had a dream that troubled him greatly, in so much that it woke him up. He called his magicians, astrologers, sorcerers, and Chaldeans to tell him what he dreamed. They requested the king to tell them his dream and they would interpret it. He could not remember it and was furious with them and warned them that if they could not tell him the dream and the interpretation, then he would cut them into pieces and make their houses dunghills. He also said that if they could do this thing, then he would reward them with gifts of great honour.

Those before the king could not tell the king his dream, and so in a fury the king commanded all his wise men of Babylon to be destroyed. Daniel and his friends would have been among those ordered to be killed, even though they weren't present before the king with the rest.



Daniel spoke to Arioch, the captain of the king's guard, who had started to go about the kings wishes. Upon finding out what had happened, Daniel went before the king and requested some time to be able to find out the king's dream. The king granted his request.

Daniel went to his house that he shared with Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego and asked them to pray with him regarding this matter and that God would have mercy and reveal the dream. They knew that if God did not, they would perish along with the rest of the wise men of Babylon.

God answered their prayer and gave Daniel the answer in the night while he slept. When Daniel awoke, he blessed the Lord first and foremost and praised God for giving him the answer to the king's demand. He then went immediately to Arioch and requested to be brought before the king. Upon hearing that one of the captives of Judah could interpret his dream, he asked Daniel if he was able to tell him the dream and the interpretation.

Instead of Daniel taking the credit like the magicians, wisemen, astrologers and soothsayers would, he told the king that men couldn't do this thing, but that there is a God in heaven that reveals secrets and was making known to Nebuchadnezzar the future of his kingdom and of the world. Daniel was sure to make sure the king understood it was not his ability to tell the dream, but that God revealed it.

Daniel then told the king his dream. In his dream he saw a giant statue. This statue had a golden head, the chest and arms were silver, the belly and thighs were brass, legs of iron, and feet were part iron and part clay. Then he saw a rock strike the feet of the statue and it crumbled to pieces. The statue became dust that blew away and the stone became a great mountain that filled the whole earth.



Daniel then told him the interpretation of the dream, that God was revealing the next kingdoms of the world and the coming Messiah. He revealed to Nebuchadnezzar that his empire was the head of gold. The next kingdom of silver (Medes and Persians) would be inferior to his kingdom, and the third of brass (Greek) would bear rule over all the earth. The fourth kingdom, Rome, would be as strong as iron and would subdue all the world under its power. The feet and toes represented a division of the Roman empire that would weaken it greatly. The stone represented that during this time of clay and iron that the

God of heaven would set up a kingdom (the Messiah) that will never be destroyed. Instead, it will destroy all the kingdoms of the world and will last forever.

Upon hearing this, Nebuchadnezzar fell before Daniel and worshipped. He declared Daniel's God the God of gods and Lord of kings and a revealer of secrets. He then promoted Daniel as chief of the wise men, as well as to be a ruler of over the province of Babylon and gave him many gifts. Because he knew that it was due to answered prayer of his friends, he requested them to be promoted as well and they were.

Nebuchadnezzar's Second Dream (Daniel 4)

Nebuchadnezzar had another dream later in his reign. Daniel chapter 4 is Nebuchadnezzar's testimony in a sense, as it is from his point of view of how God humbled him, and he realized who God truly is. This dream terrified the king and called in his wise men, which could not tell him the

interpretation of the dream. Finally, Daniel arrived, and Nebuchadnezzar knew that God was upon Daniel's life and that Daniel could help him where the others failed.

Nebuchadnezzar tells Daniel his dream about giant tree that grew that sustained everything around it. Then in his dream, a heavenly being commanded the tree to be cut down, and it was so. All that was left was a stump and abandoned for seven years in the fields. Whomever this stump was would be given the heart or mind of a beast of the field. The heavenly being announced that this was to be done so that all would understand that God rules in the kingdom of men and will give the earth to whomever He desires, even the vilest of men.



When Daniel heard the dream, he was stunned. He was deeply troubled for an hour at what the dream meant. The king reassured him not to worry about the dream, and so Daniel told him what it meant. Daniel wished the dream was for an enemy of Nebuchadnezzar's. How could Daniel be grieved that

the dream was of Nebuchadnezzar, the king responsible for the destruction of his home and nation? It was because Daniel had forgiven him.

God was warning Nebuchadnezzar what would happen to him because of his pride. That God would smite his mind and that he would be driven from among men to live in the fields like a beast, even eating grass like one. He would not lose his kingdom, but this would be done for him to understand that God is the one who is sovereign.

Sadly, Nebuchadnezzar did not listen to the warning of Daniel from the dream, and after a year passed by, he went for a walk and looked at the city and his palace and declared that he ha d built everything himself. While he was yet speaking, a voice was heard from heaven, and everything happened as Daniel told him it would. Nebuchadnezzar lost his mind and became as simple as a beast of the field, eating the grass and living there. His hair became grown like feathers interwoven and his nails like bird claws.



At the end of seven years, Nebuchadnezzar looked up to heaven and he regained his mind. He realized he was a fool, and that God truly was sovereign over the whole world. The first thing he did was praise and bless God for who He is. Nebuchadnezzar was restored to his throne after he realized that it was God who built Babylon, not his own power and ability.

The Writing On The Wall (Daniel 5)

After a reign of 43 years, Nebuchadnezzar died. Around 553 BC, Belshazzar, Nebuchadnezzar's grandson, became the king along with his father Nabonidus. The end of the Babylonian empire was quickly nearing.

One day, Belshazzar decided to hold a great feast to honour a 1000 of his lords. In his drunkenness, he commanded that the golden and silver vessels taken from the temple in Judah by his grandfather be brought before them and given to the king's household to use. The servants did so and brought them to the king. The king and his family ate and drank from the sacred vessels used in the temple of God and continued to drink wine and praise their gods of gold, silver, brass, iron, wood, and stone.



While they were having their feast, behold fingers of a man's hand suddenly appeared and wrote upon the plaster of the wall of the king's palace. When the king saw the fingers writing, he became terrified, so much so that his knees started to knock together.

Immediately, Belshazzar called for the wise men and declared that whoever could tell the king the interpretation would become the third ruler of the kingdom and receive

gifts of scarlet clothes and a golden chain. All the wise men tried to decipher the writing but failed. Since no one could tell the interpretation of the writing, he became even more troubled.

Then came in his mother or grandmother and reminded him that there was a man who was used by his grandfather to interpret dreams and great wisdom and who was promoted as master of all the wise men. She advised him to call Daniel to interpret the writing and he did so.

When Daniel arrived, the king informed him of what was happening and that the wise men could not tell him the meaning of the writing. He offered Daniel the same reward for interpreting the writing, but Daniel told him that he had no interest in the gifts. He reminded the king of what happened to his grandfather when Nebuchadnezzar lifted up his heart in pride and was humbled by God. Because he did not learn the lesson from his grandfather, Belshazzar made a grave error against God by defiling the vessels of the Lord and praising their gods with them.

Daniel then told him the meaning of the writing on the wall – MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN. MENE – God had numbered the days of Belshazzar's kingdom; TEKEL – God weighed him in the balances and was found wanting or lacking; PERES – God had given his kingdom to the Medes and Persians.



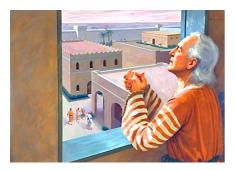
Belshazzar gave Daniel the gifts that he had declared and made a proclamation that Daniel was to be made the third ruler of the kingdom. That night, the Medes and Persians secretly raided Babylon and Belshazzar was killed. Darius the Median then took over rulership of the kingdom.

The Lion's Den (Daniel 6)

Upon conquering Babylon, Darius broke up the administration of the empire to 120 princes, with three presidents over them. Darius chose Daniel to be the top ranked of the three presidents of all the princes. Even though Daniel was over 80 years old, Darius chose Daniel because he saw an excellent spirit within and about him.

The other presidents and the princes did not like Daniel. Insomuch that they sought to try to dig up as much dirt as they could find on him. But Daniel lived a life of integrity and walked wisely with his God in all affairs. They found nothing that they could use to overthrow Daniel with. They realized the only way to get rid of Daniel was to have him break a law regarding his service to his God.

These men then called a meeting with the king and tricked him into making a law that forbid anyone to pray to any God or man for thirty days, except the king. If anyone did, then they would be thrown to the den of lions. They requested it to be signed as a law of the Medes and Persians, a law that could not be changed. Appealing to Darius's pride and vanity, they offered to make him like a god for 30 days. He quickly signed it without asking any counsel from his most trusted advisers.



When Daniel heard about the law that was made by the king, he had to decide. He could either obey the government or obey God and risk the consequences. Daniel chose to obey God and as he was faithful to do, he went home and prayed to God three times. He did not make himself hidden and secretive in prayer. Instead, he opened his windows toward Jerusalem and prayed in clear sight. The wicked rulers came upon Daniel while he was praying and captured him.

Bringing Daniel before the king, they again asked about the law and if it was to be upheld. Upon confirmation from Darius, they laid their accusations against Daniel and that Daniel was rebelling against the king and the law. When the king heard what happened, he realized that he had been tricked by these men, but the law could not be changed, even by the king. He tried everything in his power for the rest of the day to deliver Daniel from this penalty, but there was no deliverance. At the end of

the day, with no answer of how to change the law, he was forced to obey it and had Daniel cast into the den of lions. Darius saw Daniel's continual faith before this event, and he believed that Daniel's God would deliver him from the lions.

So that Daniel could not escape, they brought a large stone and blocked the entrance into the den. The stone was sealed and authorized by the king's own signet, as well as the wicked lords, showing that this judgment could not be changed. That night, the king was so worried and concerned for Daniel that he could not eat or sleep and refused to have any kind of music played for him.

As soon as morning came, Darius quickly went to the den of lions and had the stone removed. Hoping he would hear a reply, he cried out to Daniel asking if his God had delivered him from the lions. His heart rejoiced as Daniel called back up, "Oh king, live for ever." Daniel then explained that God sent an angel that had shut the mouths of the lions and caused the lions to see Daniel as not potential food or a threat, but in pure innocence before them. Daniel also pleaded his innocence and that he desired no hurt against the king.

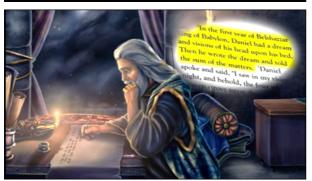


The king was delighted with Daniel being spared and had him brought up immediately. There was no hurt at all upon Daniel from the lions because Daniel believed in his God to deliver him. Darius then commanded that the men who accused Daniel to be brought forth before him. Because they deceived the king, they were given the punishment they sought to do unto Daniel. They, their children, and their wives were all cast into the lion's den and immediately the lions destroyed them all before they came to the bottom of the den.

Afterwards, Darius wrote to everyone in his kingdom in all languages that men ought to tremble and fear before the God of Daniel. He declared that Daniel's God is a living God, is steadfast forever, whose kingdom cannot ever be destroyed, and has dominion over all the earth. Because of the testimony of what he witnessed with Daniel, he praised and honoured the God of Heaven above all other gods.

Daniel lived and served from the time of Nebuchadnezzar II until the reign of Cyrus the Persian.

Daniel's Dreams and Visions (Daniel 7-12)



Daniel had many dreams and visions which he did not understand. He dreamed of four beasts that represented four kingdoms of the world, as well as a dream of a ram and goat, which depicted two of those kingdoms in greater detail of what would happen. Daniels visions revealed that the Messiah would come and that he would be the ruler of a spiritual kingdom that will overpower and overshadow all other earthly kingdoms.

In Daniel chapter 7, Daniel has a dream about four beasts that is very similar to the dream of Nebuchadnezzar. Nebuchadnezzar's dream covered the political aspects of the empires; Daniels's dream depicted their moral aspects. These nations, who would reign over Israel, were evil and cruel; but Daniel also saw God's future Kingdom arrive and conquer them all.

The lion with eagle's wings represents Babylon with her swift conquests. The bear who ravaged the lion is Medo-Persia. The three ribs in its mouth represent the conquests of three major enemies. The leopard is Greece. Its wings show the swiftness of Alexander the Great's campaign as he conquered much of the civilized world within four years. The leopards four heads are the four divisions of the Greek empire after Alexander's death. The fourth beast was not a world power that Daniel recognized. It represented Rome and the end times. The little horn is the future human ruler, the Antichrist.



Daniel was given a great vision of God in heaven upon His throne, similar to the vision that John had in Revelation 1. He saw God handing out

judgment upon countless people before Him and that several books were opened regarding those being judged, like in Revelation 20. Daniel even watched as the last beast was slain and both it and the horn were given to the burning flame (Lake of Fire). Daniel saw the Son of man (Jesus) come with the clouds of heaven and was given all dominion and an everlasting kingdom. Daniel was disturbed by the beasts, especially the last one and it had a lasting effect upon Daniel.



In Daniel chapter 8, Daniel is given another dream during the reign of Belshazzar about the next two kingdoms specifically – the Medo-Persian and Greek. He is also told when sacrifices would happen again to God and more about the Antichrist. This dream greatly affected Daniel as well and caused him to faint and be sick for a time. He was greatly astonished by it, but none understood it.

In Daniel chapter 9, during Darius' first year as king over the Chaldeans (Babylonians), Daniel remembered the years that Jeremiah had mentioned in which the Israelites would be free to return to Israel. He humbled himself in sackcloth and ashes and fasted and prayed for Jerusalem and his people, asking God to forgive their sin and his own. While he was praying, the angel Gabriel came and delivered an answer to Daniel. He revealed the time frame of when the Messiah would come and that he would be cut off. He also describes the period of the Tribulation and the Antichrist.

In Daniel Chapter 10, during the third year of the reign of Cyrus, king of Persia, he received another vision. He had been mourning and fasting for three weeks and a heavenly being appeared to give him an answer to his prayer and why he was fasting. No one with Daniel saw the angel besides Daniel, though the earth quaked all around, causing them to flee. This heavenly being revealed to Daniel the spiritual warfare that was going on around him. When Daniel first started fasting and praying, the answer was given to this being to give to Daniel, but a devil who oversaw the area of Persia withstood him for 21 days. Michael the archangel was then sent to help this being and he was finally able to deliver the message to Daniel. Upon delivering the message and giving strength to Daniel, he left to return to his fight with the prince (a devil) of Persia.

Final Thoughts Regarding Daniel

Daniel stands tall in the gallery of God's remarkable servants. Born of royal heritage, yet taken into captivity when only a teenager, Daniel determined to remain faithful to God in the land of his captivity. Even at great personal cost, Daniel spent his entire lifetime advising his captors with unusual wisdom. God chose him as His servant to record some of the events of the captivity and some very significant events and prophecies concerning the future. Though we do not know exactly when Daniel died, his legacy of his life is one that we should all strive to emulate. Faithfulness to God has a rich reward, not necessarily in this life, but most certainly in the life to come.

Scriptures to Memorize (Look up and fill-in)

	_ above the presidents and princes,
because an	spirit was in him.
DANIEL MADE A CHOICE TO NOT DO	SOME THINGS, THAT KEPT HIM FREE
James 4:7 yourselves	Proverbs 22:1
therefore to God the devil, and he flee from you.	A good is rather to be chosen than
	Titus 2:11,12 For the of God
1Corinthians 10:31	that bringeth salvation hath appeared
Whether therefore ye, or,	to all men, us that,
or whatsoever ye, do to the glory of	ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly,, and godly, in this present world.
DANIEL CHOSE THE RIGHT KIND	OF ATTITUDE TOWARDS PEOPLE
	Proverbs 13:20 He that walketh with shall be wise: but a companion of shall be destroyed.
DANIEL CHOSE TO	TRUST GOD'S PLAN
Proverbs 3:5 in the LORD with thine heart; and lean not unto thine understanding.	Psalm 46:10 Be, and that I God.
Daniel 4:17. That the living may that the most High in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to he, and setteth up over it the of men.	Psalm 97:1 The LORD; let the earth rejoice; let the multitude of isles be thereof.
DANIEL CHOSE TO HUMB	LE HIMSELF BEFORE GOD
Daniel 9:3,4 And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by and supplications, with, and sackcloth, and ashes: And I unto the LORD my God, and made confession.	Proverbs 28:13 He that his sins shall prosper: but whoso and them shall have mercy.
DANIEL CHOSE TO SEE THIN	GS FROM GOD'S VIEWPOINT
	things work together for to them called according to his

A Man's Quiet Time How Does a Real Man Walk with His God?

Please read this simple explanation of how to prepare your heart for a daily serious time with God through His word. It will make all the difference in the world to come humbly before the throne of grace. **Hebrews 4:16.** We need God's help!

Start with Prayer! Find yourself a place every day to get alone with God. Remember Matthew 6:6 "But thou, when thou prayest, enter into thy closet..." It is when we are by ourselves seeking the Lord that we hear His still, small voice. Start with opening your heart to God. Allow Him to do an inspection of what is in your thoughts and feelings. Psalm 139:23 says, "Search me, O God, and know my heart: try me, and know my thoughts." Be honest with yourself, and honest with God. Ask God to search for any sins you may have buried in your heart. Psalm 139:24 says, "See if there be any wicked way in me, and lead me in the way everlasting." David, realizing he had sinned against God, asked for a cleansing. God wants us all very clean in our hearts! Psalm 51:2 says, "Wash me throughly from mine iniquity, and cleanse me from my sin." Let God cleanse your life as you do the following three things: 1. Acknowledge - admit the sins He reveals are there in your heart. 2. Confess - admit that you have sinned before an all holy God. 3. Forsake - leave each sin, abandoning everything that has separated you from God. Decide by God's power to quit doing the same sins that God reveals to you in your quiet time, and has already forgiven, and cleansed you from. Remember the Lord's promise - 1 John 1:9 "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

Humble yourself. The Bible says in Isaiah 57:15a, "For thus saith the high and lofty One that inhabiteth eternity, whose name is Holy; I dwell in the high and holy place, with him also that is of a contrite and humble spirit..." We have a great need every day to humble ourselves as we prepare to walk with God. This means there must be a personal brokenness to cause us to always depend upon the Lord. God wants to fully "dwell" in our heart, but He will not force His way in, nor will He honour a sinful, wicked heart. Once your heart is clean, tell God you are coming under His perfect authority, and that you want to obey Him all day long. God desires to fellowship with you, but only with the right attitude!

<u>Tell God what you need!</u> Cast all your worries, cares, and every need upon Almighty God. He loves to answer our impossible prayers! He delights to have our strength renewed in our daily walk with Him. Believe God wants to give you a peace and strength far beyond what we are used to. So, pray about everything! Real men don't fight, get angry, frustrated, and defeated when things don't work out. Real men, pray and trust God to do for them everything they themselves cannot do!

Read at least two chapters every day in your Bible, going through every book from Genesis to Revelation! If you have time, make a habit of reading 4 chapters EVERY day!

<u>Finally, Thank Him for His Blessings</u> — Read and meditate on these verses. Philippians 4:6 "Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God." Colossians 4:2 "Continue in prayer, and watch in the same with thanksgiving." We have got a lot to be thankful for. Praise Him for His goodness to you! Now, write some blessings on your heart and mind...

A Man's Quiet Time

Prayer List

"Men ought always to pray, and not to faint" Luke 18:1 This list can be used every time we get together to pray, and should be added to as we learn of needs and requests.



(2 Peter 3:9) "God is not willing tha	Lost that need to be saved t any should perish"
What areas of your life need Chrigrace"	istian Growth (2Peter 3:18) "but grow in
•	th, and Family concerns) "And call upon me in e, and thou shalt glorify me." Psalm 50:15
What Are Your Church's Needs? for your Pastor, the many who help	"and pray one for another" James 5:16 (pray serve by name)
List Anything Else – like YOUR of ask not" James 4:2	own needs here "ye have not, because ye

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Friday Devotion - Having an Excellent Spirit

"Then this Daniel was preferred above the presidents and princes, because an excellent spirit was in him; and the king thought to set him over the whole realm." Daniel 6:3

permanently indwelling our bodi	have the incredible privilege of having the Holy Spirit ies, every day! 1Corinthians 3:16 says that we are a of God dwells. Think about what that means!
(read Judges 6:34, and 11:29), to e impossible. But the Spirit of Goo when the job was finished, and the was upon and in them, the Old Te godly life, and by the miracles the whole attitude and way of thinkin	of God came "" God's prophets at certain times enable them to do something for God that otherwise was d did not permanently indwell them – He would leave ings would go back to normal. But while the Holy Spirit estament believers stood out from everyone else in their ney were able to do. And, they stood out because their g was "excellent." compares? Is it excellent, or what word would describe
S	ude if it does nothing? What did Daniel do with the
•	v a line from each Scripture to what Daniel did)
Daniel 1:8	Encouraged others
Daniel 1:9	Earned people's respect
Daniel 1:17	Saw the future
Daniel 5:12	Stayed Clean from sinful things
Daniel 7:13-15	Grew in wisdom and learning
New Testament believers should you think stops us?	d have an "excellent spirit" like Daniel did. What do
What did Daniel have to do befo Read Daniel 2:17,18; 9:1-6, 20-23	ore he could understand dreams and prophecies?
Does every Christian already ha	ave the Holy Spirit in them? Read 1Cor 3:16. Yes / No
Can a person be indwelt and ye	t not filled with the Holy Spirit? Yes / No.
	for every day? Read Ephesians 5:18 the Spirit." Not just have Him in us, but controlling us.
Spirit? Read James 4:6-11, and fi	•
James 4:7	yourselves therefore to God
James 4:8	to God
James 4:8 Cleanse your ha	and purify your
James 4:9 <i>Be</i>	, and, and weep over your sins urselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up
James 4:10you James 4:11 Speak	irselves in the sight of the Lord, and he shall lift you up evil one of another
Doing those things will produce	e a Holy Spirit filled attitude in you that is excellent!

Saturday Devotion – We Don't Have To Fear the End of The World

The Bible tells us a lot about the end times! Hundreds and hundreds of prophecies describe in great detail what it will be like on the earth just before Jesus returns as King of kings. Things are going to get REALLY



BAD (Read Matthew 24:15-21,29)! Almost every Book of the Bible has some prophecies in them! And especially in the Book we are studying this week – the Book of the prophet Daniel. From Daniel Chapter 2 on, God shows Daniel and king Nebuchadnezzar almost 2,500 years of future events. Most of what God shows us about the future is not good. It shows man's increasing rebellion against God and His ultimate rule over us whether we want it or not.

Daniel started out as a teenager when he was taken to Babylon in chapter one. By the time we get to chapter 12, he is an old man, 80 or 90 years old. He has watched several empires rise and fall, and yet he was still alive. And as his people, the Jews, were being allowed to go back to their own land now, he wondered what was going to happen to them next, but he was not afraid for them.

Read Daniel chapter 12, and answer these questions from what you just read...

1.	What did God show Daniel about the future in Daniel 12:1?
2.	Jesus refers to that same time, and calls it what in Matthew 24:15-21?
3.	Who is God trying to save during that time? (Read 12:1 very carefully)
	What is Daniel 12:2 describing?
	What was Daniel asking in 12:8?
	God says, "Blessed are they" that do WHAT in Daniel 12:12?
8.	Will Daniel be alive at the end of the days of these prophecies? (Read 12:13) Yes / No How will that be possible?
9.	What was Daniel able to do until that day?
wr tha	a angel tells Daniel in 12:9,10 to just keep going. He tells Daniel that what he had seen and itten was not going to be understood for a long time – until the end of the age. But then promises at many will be <u>purified</u> (saved) and tried (tested) and they will understand what you have seen. It wicked men will just keep doing what?, and will never understand any of this!
to we	one can understand everything about the end times, and that's okay. Because we know enough be excited about what is happening today in the world, and to expect more and more trouble as get closer and closer to the end. Jesus told us never to be afraid of anything that comes against but to look WHERE when we see all these things start to happen (read Luke 21:26-28)?
a ne an we	the most important future to know is your own! To know that eternal life began when you started relationship with Jesus Christ (John 3:16 and John 17:3) is the best future to have. We don't need to wait for the future to happen – we received the future as a gift when we were born again, define the gift is called " life" (Romans 6:23). That means that no matter what, will be with Jesus in the end just like Daniel. And that gives us a powerful reason to rest now, define not worry about the future at all!
so Do	Jesus your Saviour and Lord? Yes / No – If not, are you ready to ask Him to save your ul from the coming judgment on this entire world? Yes / No / Already Saved you worry about what is happening in the world right now? Yes / No Bow your head and ask God to give you the same peace and rest that He gave Daniel about

the future. And then keep going on in your Christian life and walk with God!

Welcome to Ireland's Christian Men's Camp

Our 25th Annual Men's Camp!

I Bet You Didn't Know...

- 1. Daniel was just a teenager when he is captured by a foreign army and marched to the capital city of the Babylonian Empire.
- 2. Daniel lost everything and everyone in his family as a young man in a war that he had nothing to do with.
- 3. Daniel oversaw all other scientists and wise men in the Babylonian kingdom. He was in charge of how people discovered truth.
- 4. Daniel wrote the same kind of Book that Revelation is they go hand in hand.
- 5. Daniel was willing to die doing the right thing
- 6. Daniel had unusual convictions about how to live placed Biblical limits on himself
- 7. He had a great attitude spirit about him the Bible calls it an "excellent" spirit
- 8. Daniel was a lot like young Joseph (see Genesis 37-41)
- 9. He was consistent in his life and did not separate his religious life from his "secular" life.
- 10.God showed Daniel the entire period time from the Babylonian captivity until when the Messiah comes and establishes His everlasting kingdom (2,500 years)
- 11. Daniel was more than 70 years old when he was thrown into the lion's den!
- 12.He outlived three kings, two world empires, and all his enemies!
 - a. Nebuchadnezzar (Dan 2:48)
 - b. Belshazzar grandson of Nebuchadnezzar (Dan 5:29)
 - c. Darius the Mede (Dan 6:1–3)
 - d. He lived to see Cyrus the Persian take over the world after Darius (Dan 1:21)
- 13. And he lived to see the glorious return of his people the Jews from the Babylonian captivity. Daniel lived through the whole period of Babylonian supremacy over Israel for sixty-nine years, and got to see that important day when Israel was released home in the first year of king Cyrus! (Dan 1:21; Ezra 1:1-4)
- 14. Daniel gets visits from two archangels: Michael and Gabriel.
- 15. The Book of Daniel is one of the most argued about Books of the Old Testament because it most clearly predicts the future and has been proven true from start to finish. The Jews used to love Daniel because it pointed to the coming of their Messiah so clearly, but they do not want Jesus to be the Messiah, so they reject not only Jesus, but the Book of Daniel now! They don't read it and don't study it anymore!

Five Key Choices Daniel Made...

- 1. Daniel made a choice to NOT do some things, and that choice kept him free
- 2. Daniel chose the right kind of attitude towards people respect
- 3. Daniel chose to trust God's sovereignty over his life and over the entire world
- 4. Daniel chose to humble himself before God it is the greatest daily decision that produces the best outcomes!
- 5. Daniel chose to see things from God's viewpoint, instead of from his own

Session 1 – Lines We Cannot Cross

Pastor Craig Ledbetter - Bible Baptist Church, Ballincollig, Cork

"For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world."

(Titus 2:11,12)

DANIEL MADE A CHOICE TO NOT DO SOME THINGS, THAT KEPT HIM FREE

I.	Background
	A. Israel as a nation has gone through in its history (Daniel 1:1,2)
	B. But now it is
	C. The Capture of the Best of the Best (Daniel 1:3-5)
	D. Three Young Men Stand Out (Daniel 1:6,7) Four Jewish kids - just
	E. Everything Changed (Daniel 1:6,7)
	F. "But Daniel"!!! (Daniel 1:8)
	 He had some lines he would not cross – some principles, some convictions! He made a singular choice to NOT cross a line – to NOT sin And then he lived by those convictions, even if it cost him everything, including life!
	G. How Do WE Men, 2,600 years later get the same courage and convictions to stand resolute like this teenager?

II. Lesson

Session 2 – Men Need Godly Men

Pastor Declan Flanagan - Lighthouse Baptist Church, Swords, Dublin

"I am a companion of all them that fear thee, and of them that keep thy precepts." (Psalm 119:63)

DANIEL CHOSE THE RIGHT KIND OF ATTITUDE TOWARDS PEOPLE

Session 3 – Resting in the Sovereignty of God

Pastor Craig Ledbetter - Bible Baptist Church, Ballincollig, Cork

"Be still, and know that I am God." (Psalm 46:10)

DANIEL CHOSE TO TRUST GOD'S PLAN

I.	Int	roduction
	A.	Be still and that am God (Psalm 46:10)
	B.	One of the greatest truths Daniel had been taught was (Daniel 2:20,21)
		1. That God is 2. That He's 3. He is 4. He has ALL 5. He is Omnipotent - He has all 6. He is, Omni-present - Which means He is 7. And that He is LORD – which means, He is
	C.	The Sovereignty of God - What does sovereignty mean?
	D.	The Effect of God's Rule
		 Fear – that HE is Lord, and the judge we will face Or Rest – that HE is Lord, and that He has everything under control! You how you react to His rule
	Ε.	Most people NEVER experience the rest, the peace, the quiet of letting GOD being sovereign (Isaiah 30:15; Daniel 12:13)
II.	Me	essage
	A.	Daniel rested, relaxed, and was content with the sovereignty of God in the following five areas
		1. With God's on his Nation (Daniel 9:3-8)
		2. With God's for His Life
		3. It Helped Daniel Rest in God's/Wisdom (Daniel 2:20,21; 1:8)
		4. And It Opened Up God's to Him
		5. And It Helped Him Rest in God's Perfect
	B.	What About Man's Free-will?
II	[.	Conclusion
	A.	WE can relax too, no matter what is going on around us and IN us
	B.	Resting in the sovereignty of God is a choice That you make by faith Hour by hour

Session 4 – What Good is Repentance?

Layton Kelly - New Hope Men's Home, Tallaght, Dublin

"And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes: And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession." (Daniel 9:3,4)

DANIEL CHOSE TO HUMBLE HIMSELF BEFORE GOD -

it is the greatest daily decision that produces the best outcomes!

Repentant in Lifestyle

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I. Introduction (Daniel 1:7,17)

Session 5 – Tips to Understanding Revelations

Pastor Craig Ledbetter - Bible Baptist Church, Ballincollig, Cork

"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28)

DANIEL CHOSE TO SEE THINGS FROM GOD'S VIEWPOINT

A. Daniel was more than a kid caught and trapped 1. He was a gifted 2. He was a smart kid 3. But most importantly, Daniel was a B. The value and importance of Bible prophecy	in slavery.
A. The Dream (2:31-35) B. The Meaning (2:36-45) 1. Each part refers to a future what? 2. The meaning of the stone HII. Some Tips to Understanding Prophecy A. Only Knows the Future (Daniel 2:22,28) B. All the things are Revealed unto Us (Deuteronomy 29:29) C. Revelation has (Revelation 22:18,19) D. Prophecies show us that God has a	Head of Gold BABYLON [B.C. 605 - 539] Breast of Silver PERSIA [B.C. 539 - 331] Thighs of Brass GREECE [B.C. 331 - 168] Legs of Iron ROME [B.C. 168 - A.D. 476] Feet of Iron & Clay DIVIDED NATIONS OF WESTERN EUROPE
E. Everything that God says is going to happenF. Knowing WHAT is going to happen does not me it will happen (Matthew 24:36)	

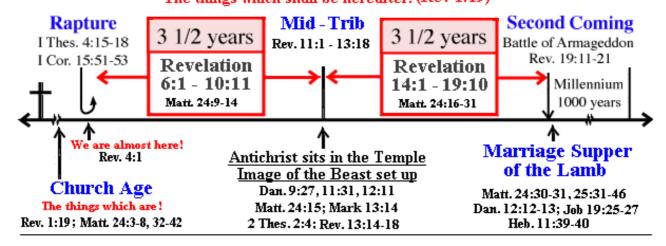
- G. Prophecies are
- H. Bible prophecies are awesome to study
- I. Prophecies almost always involves _______, and not us Christians
- J. Prophecy usually uses ______, but are actual events that must be taken literally
- K. There is ______ event in view
- L. You cannot change the big things that God has planned, but you can change the _____ things, like:
 - 1. _____
 - 2. _____
 - 3. _____

There is so much to discover in the Bible about the future!

So, Where are YOU in God's timeline?

TRIBULATION TIMELINE

(Seven Years of God's Wrath) The things which shall be hereafter! (Rev 1:19)

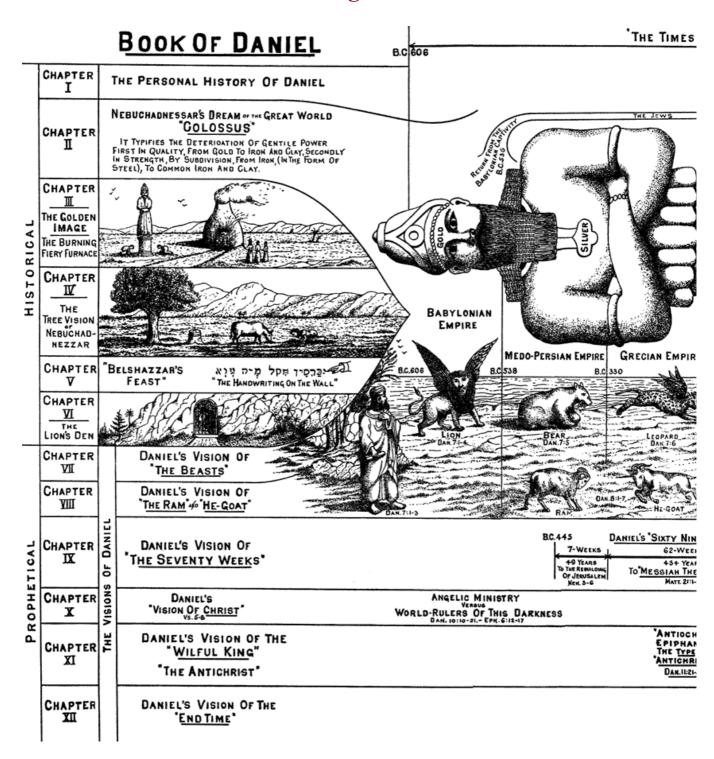


Final Review - A Time to Evaluate **Your** Heart

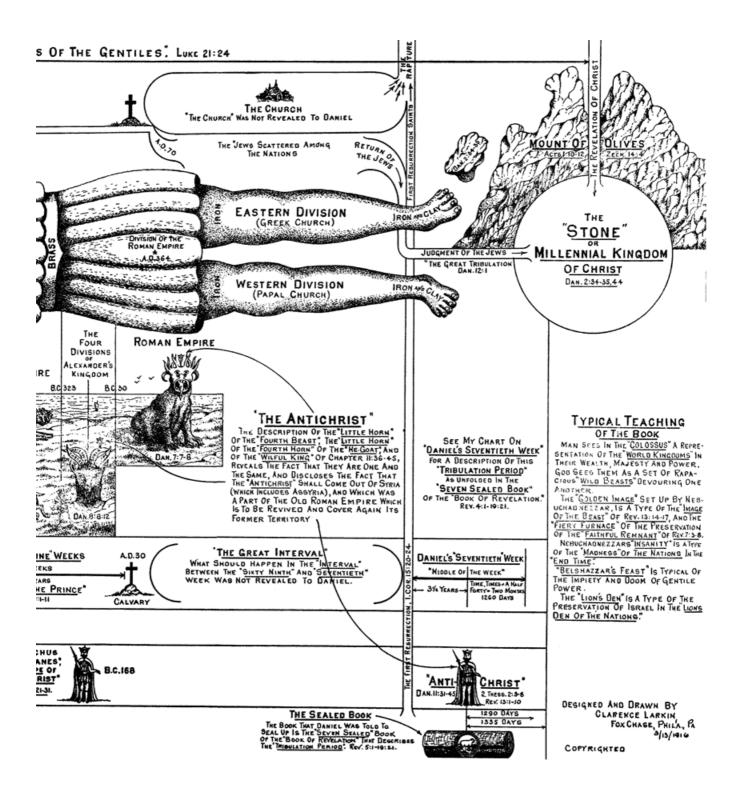
Questions to ponder and answer from this Camp's study of Daniel.

What	were some important character traits that God honoured in Daniel's life?
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What	do you think it means to have "an excellent spirit"?
	did you learn about Daniel that you never knew or understood before this?
What	Scripture really meant a lot to you this week?
Try ar	nd write it out from memory
	some things you are going through that you find hard to trust that God is in
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What	is probably missing from your prayer life (tick all that apply):
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	Deep Repentance
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w nat	future events has you most excited as a Christian?

Clarence Larkin's Diagram of Daniel's Visions

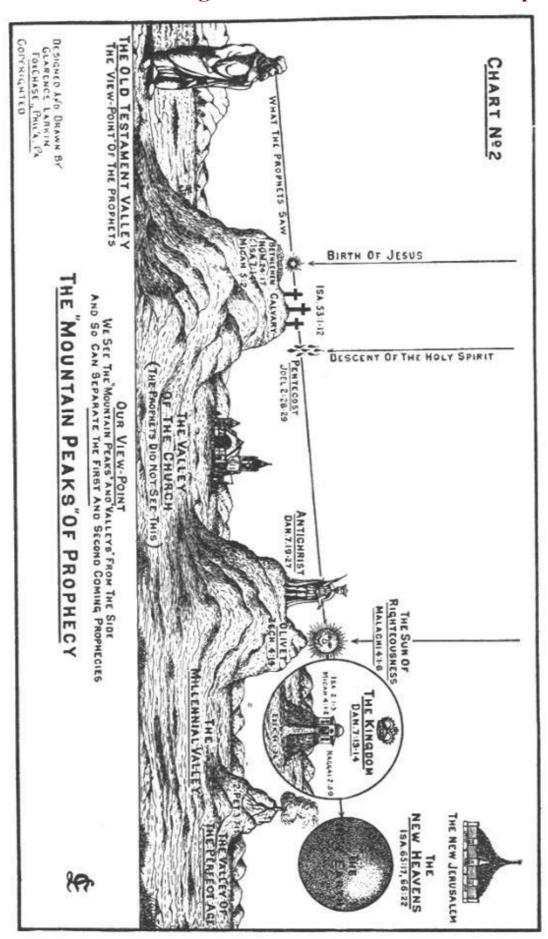


This chart is from a book that goes into a lot of detail exploring the visions that God showed Daniel, chapter by chapter. You lay it next to the continuation of the chart on the next page. This chart is a great help in studying the prophetic visions that Daniel saw way out into the future. The book is called "The Book of Daniel" © by Clarence Larkin, published in 1917.



The main image in the drawing above is of the "image" that king Nebuchadnezzar saw (it looked like a massive statue of a powerful ruler), and the four kingdoms that it represented from the head to the ten toes.

Clarence Larkin's Diagram of Mountain Peaks of Prophecy



Colouring Page – Daniel resting in the Lion's Den

