

“Prayer That Changes the World”

Daniel 9:1-23

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1. Prayer that changes the world _____ and _____ on what God has already revealed. (Daniel 9:1-2)

2. Prayer that changes the world acknowledges God's _____ and _____ and our lack of it. (Daniel 9:5-10)

3. Prayer that changes the world _____ full responsibility for sin. (Daniel 9:11-15)

4. Prayer that changes the world begs God to _____ and _____ broken vessels for His glory. (Daniel 9:16-19)

5. Prayer that changes the world leads to _____ and _____. (Daniel 9:20-23)

The Big Idea

Prayer that changes the world is always focused on the _____ of God as opposed to the _____ of man. (Daniel 9:1-23)

Conclusion:

So, what will it take be a church that is used in awesome and mighty ways by the God of the universe and prays in such a way the world is changed?

It takes a church that begins and builds on what God has already revealed. It takes a church that acknowledges God's majesty and holiness and our lack of it. It takes a church that accepts full responsibility for its own sin. It takes a church that begs God to restore and use broken vessels for His glory and in doing so becomes an unstoppable force in the hands of God throughout the community it lives and serves in. And all this leads to a church that gains insight and encouragement as a result of humbly submitting itself to the awesome will of God which is always for His glory and our good.

Daniel – Unshakeable (Study Guide)

Daniel got his hands on the words of the prophet Jeremiah and was able to discern from them that their captivity was about to come to an end just as God had promised. With that in mind answer the following...

1. How does knowing that God always keeps His promises (Daniel 9:1-3) affect (or should affect) the way we live and the way we pray? How did it affect Daniel's prayer in this passage?
2. What does Daniel's prayer begin with and how does it progress (Daniel 9:4-11)? Why is this significant and what does it teach us?
3. Is it right for one man to confess on behalf of an entire nation?
4. Daniel makes no excuses for his sin and the sin of his nation (Daniel 9:12-15). In what ways do we tend to excuse our sin as opposed to taking full responsibility for it? How does that effect our repentance?
5. Daniel begs God to restore His people for what purpose (Daniel 9:16-19)? How does this differ from what we typically ask God to do when we are broken?
6. How does praying like Daniel lead to insight and encouragement in our lives? (Daniel 9:20-23)?
7. What can/should we begin to apply to our prayer life that we have learned from Daniel 9:1-23 today?