

Daniel's Prayer for His People

Daniel 9:1-19

(We have much more to see in these verse)

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- I. **The Names of Our God**
 - A. LORD – Jehovah God
 - 1. Used for the first time in the book in 9:3
 - 2. Used also in 3, 4, 10, 13
 - 3. Not used in 15-19 in his request
 - B. LORD (Adonai) and God (Elohim)
- II. **Questions**
 - 1. Is the prediction of a 70-year captivity an absolute or is the repentance in verses 3-19 necessary?
 - 2. Was 9:1, 2 the first time Daniel knew the captivity would end?
- III. **The Sins of Israel (Judah)**
 - A. Various words are used to describe their sin. In the Hebrew text ten different words are used.
 - 1. *“sinned”* (a serious crime or offense) – v. 5
 - 2. *“committed iniquity”* – v. 5
 - 3. *“acted wickedly”* – v. 5
 - 4. *“rebelled”* – vs. 5 & 9
 - 5. *“turning aside from your commandments”* – v. 5
 - 6. *“we have not listened to your servants the prophets”* – v. 6
 - 7. *“open shame”* – vs. 7, 8
 - 8. *“unfaithful deeds”* – v. 7
 - 9. *“we have rebelled against Him”* – v. 9
 - 10. *“we have not obeyed the voice of the LORD or God”* – vs. 10, 11
 - 11. *“we have turned aside”* – v. 11
- IV. **God promises Calamity – vs. 12-14**
 - A. Translated – evil, misery, distress, disaster
 - B. Why?
 - 1. God's goal is that we might turn to Him from “our iniquity” by bringing “calamity” on us – vs. 12, 13
 - 2. To whom much is given, much is required! – Luke 12:48
 - 3. When we disobey our God, we are storing up “calamity” – v. 14
 - 4. *“God is righteous”*. He never mistreats His people. – v. 14
- V. **God's Goal from these Verses**
 - A. Deliverance and cleansing
 - 1. Verses 1 and 2 will and did happen
 - 2. Verses 3-14 happened only in part. Hosea and his wife illustrate this.
 - 3. There is a difference between deliverance and restoration
 - B. Learn the hallmarks of effective prayer
 - 1. Humility
 - 2. Reverence
 - 3. Earnestness
 - 4. Faith
 - 5. Pray with God's reputation in mind
 - 6. Verse 18 and 19 have been called “the crescendo”
 - C. Why prayer may not be answered
 - 1. Unbelief
 - a. James 1:5; Hebrews 11:6
 - 2. Asking for the wrong reason
 - a. James 4:3
 - 3. Sin in your life
 - a. Isaiah 59:2; John 9:31; I Peter 3:7
 - 4. Neglecting the needs of others
 - a. Proverbs 21:13
 - 5. Failure to forgive others
 - a. Proverbs 21:13
 - 6. It is not God's will
 - a. Luke 22:42
 - 7. Self-exaltation
 - a. Luke 18:9-14