

## INTRODUCTION

- \* We are beginning a consideration of the book of Daniel.
- \* As I have read through this book during my Quiet Times of the past and various studies, I am continually impressed by the Impact that God can make upon the world through one man who is submitted and consecrated to the sovereignty of God.
- \* As we study this book, there will be three key elements that appear: The Impact of Daniel's God, The Impact of Daniel's Life, and The Impact of Daniel's Writing.
- \* Today, we begin this study by considering the faithfulness of Daniel and his companions in the midst of unprecedented international and personal tribulation ... and how God revealed His faithfulness to Daniel and his companions.

## INSTRUCTION

### I. THEIR DILEMMA (v. 1-7)

#### A. The International S\_\_\_\_\_

1. THE C\_\_\_\_\_ OF NEBUCHADNEZZAR (cf. 2 Kings 23:28-24:7)
2. THE C\_\_\_\_\_ OF ISRAEL (cf. 2 Kings 24:3)
  - \* cf. 2 Kings 20:12-19; Isaiah 39:1-8; Isaiah 13-14
  - \* cf. 2 Kings 21:1-15
  - \* cf. Jeremiah 25:1-13

#### B. The Personal I\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 2-7)

1. THEIR E\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 2-4; Jeremiah 25:1-13; 39:1-3)
2. THEIR E\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 4-7)
  - a. Their Assignment
  - b. Their Apportionment
  - c. Their Aliases

### II. THEIR DECISION (v. 8-14) ... Purposeful Consecration

#### A. Daniel's A\_\_\_\_\_

#### B. Daniel's P\_\_\_\_\_

### III. THEIR DIGNITY (v. 15-21)

#### A. God Honored Them in The Results of the P\_\_\_\_\_ Evaluation (v. 15-16)

#### B. God Honored Them in The Results of the I\_\_\_\_\_ Evaluation (v. 17-21)

## INTROSPECTION

- \* WHAT HAS BEEN YOUR REACTION, AND RESPONSE, AS YOU HAVE CONSIDERED THE INTERNATIONAL SITUATION OF OUR DAY?
- \* ARE YOU TRULY TRUSTING IN THE SOVEREIGNTY OF GOD?
- \* DO YOU BELIEVE THAT GOD IS IN CONTROL AND HAS A PLAN?
- \* HOW COMMITTED ARE YOU TO BEING CONSECRATED TO THE LORD?
- \* WHAT ARE YOU WILLING TO GIVE UP IN SERVING THE KING OF KINGS?
- \* IS THERE A NEED TO CHANGE THE WAY YOU THINK ... AND, THEREFORE, THE WAY YOU ACT?

## INTERACTION ... Thoughts & Questions to ponder for later discussion

- \* Read 1 Corinthians 8, 1 Corinthians 10, and Romans 14. What do these passage state regarding a New Testament response to food offered unto idols?