

INTRODUCTION

- * Two weeks ago, we began studying the book of Daniel. I mentioned that throughout the book we will be repeatedly seeing three key elements reflected: The Impact of Daniel's God, The Impact of Daniel's Life, and The Impact of Daniel's Writing.
- * In chapter 1, we immediately saw the impact of Daniel's life upon his friends and his overseers. But the fullness of that impact was accomplished as a result of God's faithfulness in blessing Daniel and his friends as they chose to be consecrated unto Him.
- * Last week, we saw the impact of Daniel's life as he, by faith, believed that YHWH was able to share with him the exact dream that Nebuchadnezzar had and its interpretation. This impact of YHWH, working through the life of Daniel, was seen clearly by Nebuchadnezzar.
- * Today, we want to examine both the content of Nebuchadnezzar's dream, considering the Prophetic Interpretation of it, and Nebuchadnezzar's response to it's declaration.

INSTRUCTION

I. DANIEL'S E_____ (v. 26-45)

A. The Intention (v. 26-30)

1. THE REVELATION OF _____ TO NEBUCHADNEZZAR (v. 28, 30, 37, 45)
2. THE REVELATION OF _____ TO NEBUCHADNEZZAR (v. 28)

B. The Description (v. 31-36)

C. The Interpretation (v. 36-45; cf. Daniel 7, 8, and 9:20-27; 10:14-12:12; Revelation 17-18)

1. THE HEAD OF GOLD (v. 37-38)
2. THE CHEST & ARMS OF SILVER (v. 39a)
3. THE BELLY & THIGHS OF BRONZE (v. 39b)
4. THE LEGS OF IRON (v. 40)
5. THE FEET OF IRON & CLAY (v. 41-43)
6. THE STONE (v. 44-45)

II. NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S E_____ (v. 46-49)

A. The P_____ of Daniel's God (v. 47)

B. The P_____ of Daniel (v. 48)

C. The P_____ of Daniel (v. 49)

INTROSPECTION

- * DO YOU BELIEVE THAT GOD IS ALL-KNOWING AND ALL-POWERFUL? DO YOU LIVE YOUR LIFE AS IF YOU DO?
- * DO YOU BELIEVE THAT GOD HAS A PLAN AND A PURPOSE FOR THE FUTURE? DO YOU LIVE YOUR LIFE AS IF YOU DO?
- * DO YOU BELIEVE THAT GOD IS INTRICATELY INVOLVED IN THE AFFAIRS OF YOUR LIFE? DO YOU LIVE YOUR LIFE AS IF YOU DO?
- * 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 Deuteronomy 29:14-30:20. Moses told Israel of a future time when they would be chastened by YHWH and then eventually be brought back into the land. In Deut 29:29 we are told, "The secret things belong to YHWH our God, but those things which are revealed belong to us and our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law." In Deut 30:11 states, "For this commandment which I command you today is not too mysterious for you, nor is it far off." What do you believe is main point that God, through Moses, was trying to get the children of Israel to understand in this passage?