

Series: Prophecy of Daniel (6/18/23)

Title: Daniel's Personal Holiness

Text: Daniel Chapter 1

I. Introduction: (2 Pet 3:3-8)

A. Prophetic Fore-view of the the Gentile Nations:

B. Prophetic Fore-View of the Coming Judgement:

C. 2 Languages: 2 Divisions of Daniel:

II. Daniel's Past: Assyria 721 BC; 606BC Jerusalem

III. Daniel's Person: Spotless character, Similar to Joseph

IV. Daniel's Present: (Vs 1-2) (Time in History)

V. Daniel's Plight: (Vs 3-7)

A. The World wants to Re-Define the Image of God.

1. Eunuch b/c his families Sins: (Is 39:5-7)
2. Changing their Language: (vs 4)
3. Changing their Diet: (vs 5) vs Duty
4. Changing their Names: (vs 6) vs Nature

VI. Daniel's Proving: (Vs 8-16)

A. Daniel Purposed: (Vs 8a)

1. How Ground gets Surrendered:

- a) (1 Pet 5:8) "*Roaring lion*" - on your trail.
- b) (Eph 4:27) "Giving Place" - Little by Little:

2. Taking it Back: Between the World & the Word

- a) Repent, Confess, Forsake, Return (Ro 13:11-14)
- b) Armor of God: (Eph 6:11-16)
- c) Add Virtue: (2 Pet 1:3-7)

B. Daniel Petitioned: (Vs 8b) Taking a Stand:

1. Character regardless of Circumstances: (Vs 8)
2. It is easier to keep the heart clean than it is to clean it after it has been defiled: (Prov 22:3; 6:27-28)

Reap what you sow: (Gal 6:7-8)

Play with fire, you will get burned (Prov 6:27-28)

Don't listen to the preacher, he is an idiot (Acts 26:24)

Decide - You are not immune! - (Prov 6:27-28)

Determine - You have to Guard your heart: (Prov 4:23)

Detour - Put the good in & the bad out: (Rom 13:14)

Take the way of escape offered: (1 Cor 10:13)(Gen 39:7-12)

C. Daniel Proved: (Vs 11-14)

1. Lived His Conviction by Faith: Not Afraid to take God @ His word: (Heb 11:1, 6)
2. Not Afraid for the Lost to test God: (Vs 9-10)

D. God Honored Daniel's Loyalty: (15-16)

1. God honors faith b/c faith honors God: (Heb 11:6b)
2. Obedience Always Proceeds Blessings:
(1 Jn 3:22)(Jn 15:10)

VII. Daniel's Promotion: (Vs 17-21)

A. Daniel was Blessed for His loyalty (Vs 17)

B. Daniel was trained in the Palace School: (Vs 18-20)

C. We need Christians serving in the highest offices.

VIII. Daniel's Pattern:

A. Daniel was the Recipient of a **Generational Family Curse.**

1. Daniel Recognized it
2. Daniel Purposed to Change his family Curse.
3. Daniel didn't wait for his friends to step up.