

Daniel's Humble Prayer

Daniel 9:1-19

I. PLAN: "number of the years...seventy" (vv.1-2)

A. Ruler: "first year of Darius...of the Chaldeans" (v.1)

B. Revelation: "in the books...revealed...seventy" (v.2)

II. PRAYER: "I prayed to the Lord" (vv.3-14)

A. Focus: "I gave my attention...to seek Him" (vv.3-4)

1. Priority: "by prayer...with fasting" (v.3)

2. Praise: "great and awesome God...keeps His covenant" (v.4)

B. Failure: "all Israel has transgressed Thy law" (vv.5-14)

1. Confession: "we have sinned against Thee" (vv.5-11)

2. Confirmation: "calamity has come upon us" (vv.12-14)

III. PETITION: "listen to...our supplications" (vv.15-19)

A. Forego: "let now Thine anger...turn away" (vv.15-16)

1. Responsibility: "we have sinned, we have been wicked" (v.15)

2. Reproach: "in accordance with all Thy righteous acts" (v.16)

B. Forgive: "O Lord, forgive!" (vv.17-19)

1. Realization: "listen to the prayer of Thy servant" (v.17)

2. Reception: "incline Thine ear and hear!" (v.18)

3. Reputation: "take action! ...do not delay" (v.19)

Next Week: "Daniel's Seventy Weeks"

Read: Daniel 9:20-27