

Background of the Book of Daniel

Daniel 1:1–4

- I. Understanding the Book of Daniel
 - A. The Book of Daniel begins with the first deportation of Israelites to Babylon after the first siege of Jerusalem in _____ BC (2 Ki. 24:8-12).
 - B. The conquering of Israel by Nebuchadnezzar king of Babylon would usher in the era called, “the times of the _____.” (Lu. 21:24).
 - C. Israel would be under gentile dominion until the time when the Messiah would be _____ King (Da. 9:24).
 - D. The Book of Daniel has a major theme of the _____ of God. Daniel reveals God’s control over history and current events (Da. 2:20–22).
 - E. The Book of _____ and other Books in the New Testament cannot be interpreted correctly without an understanding of Daniel’s prophecy (Da. 12:4).
 - F. Material from every chapter of Daniel is quoted in the Book of Revelation.
 - G. Great comfort and assurance is given that Christ will come to destroy the kingdoms of this world and set up His everlasting kingdom (Da. 2:44-45; 4:27; 6:26; 7:13-14, 27; 12:7).
- II. Understanding Daniel, the Prophet
 - A. Daniel was a major _____ prophet.
 - B. Daniel’s name means “God is _____”.
 - C. Daniel was a _____ probably related to Zedekiah’s family.
 - D. Daniel was taken captive to Babylon in the first of three sieges by Nebuchadnezzar (Da. 1:1).

- E. Daniel was made a _____.
1. _____ prophesied that Judah's sons would be eunuchs in Babylon (Isa. 39:6)
 2. _____ spoke of eunuchs (Mat. 19:10–12).
 3. Daniel submitted to God's purpose in his _____.
- F. Daniel was one of many young Jews chosen to learn the _____ language and culture (Da.1:4).
- G. Daniel would be an influence to _____ major kings (Da. 1:21)
1. Nebuchadnezzar and the Babylonian kingdom (Da. 2:48)
 2. Darius the Mede (Da. 5:30-31)
 3. Cyrus and the Persian kingdom (Da. 1:21)
- H. Daniel was given great _____ from God to accomplish God's purpose and was made _____ over all wisemen and magicians (Dan. 1:17; 19–20; 4:9; 5:11).