

LION'S DEN

Daniel 6

Introduction

It is a worthy goal for any believer to strive to be a great servant of God, but the dedication and work involved to attain such a position is more than most people realize. Daniel became a great servant of God by his dedication to Him and by diligent work. Several kings recognized his greatness and honored him with the highest offices in their kingdoms. What did Daniel do to attain his greatness? He had a great spirit before men, a great testimony for God, a great faith in God and a great prayer life for his people.

Aim of the Lesson

Strive to live and pray like Daniel. "Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints" (Eph 6:18).

Outline of the Lesson and Questions to Answer

I. Introduction to Daniel's Prayer Life

1. What do we learn from Daniel's prayer in 2:17-23?
2. What was the reason for Daniel's prayer in 9:2-4; see Jer 29:10-14)
3. What do we learn from Daniel's prayer in 10:1-3, 12-14?

II. Daniel Prayed _____ (6:10 - "he went into his house").

4. Why do you think that Daniel went into his house to pray?

III. Daniel Prayed _____ (6:10 - "his windows being open in his 'chamber toward Jerusalem'").

5. Why was it right for Daniel to pray toward Jerusalem?
6. Why would it be wrong for Christians to pray toward Jerusalem?

IV. Daniel Prayed _____ (6:10 - "he kneeled upon his knees.")

7. What does prayer on one's knees symbolize?
8. Name some other positions for prayer and what they symbolize.

V. Daniel Prayed _____ (6:10 - "he kneeled upon his knees three times a day").

9. How many times a day do you pray on a regular schedule?

VI. Daniel Prayed _____ (6:10 - "he kneeled . . . and prayed, and gave thanks before His God").

10. What evidence do we have that Daniel's prayers were sincere?
11. What evidence do we have that our prayers are sincere?

VII. Daniel Prayed _____ (6:10 - "as he did aforetime").

12. How old was Daniel when he prayed to know Nebuchadnezzar's dream and its interpretation? 17—37—58
13. How old was Daniel when he prayed before being cast into the lion's den? 27—59—77--82

VIII. Daniel was Victorious over His Enemies (6:11-28)

14. What had the king done that forced him to cast Daniel into the lion's den? 6:11-16
15. Why was Daniel saved from the hungry lions in their den? 6:22
16. What did the king do to the enemies of Daniel? 6:24
17. What did the king do to honor the God of Daniel? 6:26-27
18. What steps will you take to be more fervent in your prayer life?