### **Sermon Outline**

## LET US PRAY! DANIEL 9:1-27

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Daniel in **Daniel 9** is a man of prayer.

- \*\* Old man
- \*\* Busy man

# DANIEL'S PRAYER [V4-19] [1] DANIEL PRAYS TO GOD!

Verse 4

**Psalm 24:3** ~ Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place?

**Exodus 20:5-6** ~ For I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children to the third and fourth generations of those who hate me, but showing mercy to thousands, to those who love Me and keep My commandments.

### [2] DANIEL PRAYS TO GOD, CONFESSING SINS!

Verse 5 ~ We have sinned and committed iniquity, we have done wickedly and rebelled . .

[A] The sin of departing \_\_\_\_\_\_!

Verse 5b: even by departing from Your precepts and Your judgments.

unfaithfulness (verse 7), rebellion (verse 9), disobedience (verse 10), 'transgression' (verse 11)

[B] The sin of abusing \_\_\_\_\_!

Verse 6 ~ Neither have we heeded Your servants the prophets who spoke in Your name to our kings and our princes, to our fathers and all the people of the land.

[C] The sin of neglecting \_\_\_\_\_

If My people who are called by My name will humble themselves, and pray, and seek My face, and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven and will forgive their sins and heal their land. (2 Chronicles 7:14)

Verses 13-14 ~ As it is written in the Law of Moses, all this disaster has come upon us; yet we have not made our prayer before the Lord our God, that we might turn from our iniquities and understand Your truth. Therefore the Lord has kept the disaster in mind, and brought it upon us; for the Lord our God is righteous in all the works which He does, though we have not obeyed His voice.

### [3] DANIEL PRAYS TO GOD, PLEADING GOD'S PROMISE! (Verses 15-19)

Verse 18: O my God, incline Your ear and hear; open Your eyes and see our desolations, and the city which is called by Your name; <u>for</u> we do not present our supplications before You because of our righteous deeds, but because of Your great mercies.

#### Why should God show mercy?

**Verse 16**  $\sim$  O Lord, according to all Your righteousness, I pray, let Your anger and Your fury be turned away from <u>Your city</u> Jerusalem, <u>Your holy mountain</u>; because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and <u>Your people</u> are a reproach to all those around us.

**Verse 17** ~ Now therefore, our God, hear the prayer of  $\underline{Your\ servant}$ , and his supplications, and for the Lord's sake cause Your face to shine on  $\underline{Your\ sanctuary}$ , which is desolate.

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**Verse 19** ~ O Lord, hear! O Lord, forgive! O Lord, listen and act! Do not delay for Your own sake, my God, for <u>Your city</u> and <u>Your people are called by Your name</u>.

#### How did we become Your people?

**Verse 15** ~ And now, O Lord our God, who brought Your people out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and made Yourself a name, as it is this day—we have sinned, we have done wickedly!

**Jeremiah 29:10-14** ~ For thus says the Lord: After seventy years are completed at Babylon, I will visit you and perform My good word toward you, and cause you to return to this place. For I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord, thoughts of peace and not of evil, to give you a future and a hope. Then you will call upon Me and go and pray to Me, and I will listen to you. And you will seek Me and find Me, when you search for Me with all your heart. I will be found by you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back from your captivity; I will gather you from all the nations and from all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you to the place from which I cause you to be carried away captive.

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#### **ENCOURAGEMENTS TO PRAY**

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- \* Let **verses 20-23** greatly encourage you!
- \* Let 2 Chronicles 36:22-23 greatly encourage you!

  Now in the first year of Cyrus king of Persia, that the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah might be fulfilled, the Lord stirred up the spirit of Cyrus king of Persia, so that he made a proclamation throughout all his kingdom, and also put it in writing, saying, Thus says Cyrus king of Persia: All the kingdoms of the earth the Lord God of heaven has given me. And He has commanded me to build Him a house at Jerusalem which is in Judah. Who is among you of all His people? May the Lord his God be with him, and let him go
- \* Let **verses 24-27** greatly encourage you!

He who has My commandments and keeps them, it is he who loves Me. And he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and manifest Myself to him.

John 14:21