



A DAY WITH THE
KING

This week we will study about how God revealed not only what the king's dream was, but also how it showed what was to happen in the future.



Torchlight

"In history, the growth of nations, the rise and fall of empires, appear as if dependent on human will and ability. But the Word of God draws the curtain aside, and we see the agencies of the All-merciful One, silently, patiently working out the counsels of His own will."

– Royalty and Ruin, p. 177



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Vision of the Future



SUNDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear Father in Heaven, please help me to honour You with my thoughts and behaviour. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - SAMUEL 2:30

“...those who honor Me I will honor...”

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Daniel 2:24–28

KEY TEXT: Daniel 2:28

“But there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, ...Your dream, and the visions of your head upon your bed, were these:”

LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Our story finished last week with Daniel telling Arioch, not to destroy the wise men of Babylon because he, Daniel, could tell the king the dream and its interpretation.

Well, Daniel started by explaining to the king why the Babylonian wise men, astrologers, magicians, and soothsayers were not able to tell him his dream. Daniel explained that only the God of heaven, the God that he, Daniel, worshipped, could reveal this secret.

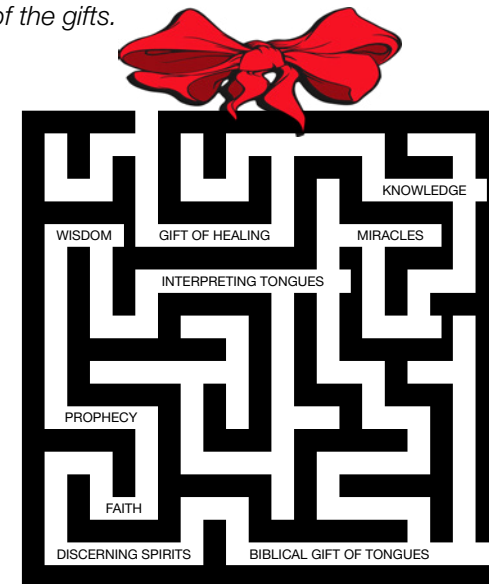
Daniel wanted to make sure that the king clearly understood that any wisdom he appeared to possess was all a gift from God.

OTHER AMAZING GIFTS FROM GOD

1 Corinthians 12:1–11

Collect the gifts as you go through this maze.

There's more than one way through. You could choose the quick route, but you'll miss out on most of the gifts.





MONDAY

LET'S PRAY Loving and patient Heavenly Father, please look into my heart and show me any pride that will damage my character. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - SAMUEL 2:30

“..._____ who honor Me I will honor...”

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Daniel 2:29–33

KEY TEXT: Daniel 2:30

“But as for me, this secret has not been revealed to me because I have more wisdom than anyone living, but for our sakes who make known the interpretation to the king, and that you may know the thoughts of your heart.”

LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

God was trying to reach King Nebuchadnezzar's mind and heart through humble Daniel, because the dream that was about to be revealed had huge significance of cosmic proportions. God did not want King Nebuchadnezzar to be filled with pride by what he was about to learn.

What an unusual dream! Nebuchadnezzar dreamed of a man made up of different metals. Let's go over the different body parts and what they were made of.

The head was made of gold; the chest was made of silver; the belly and thighs were made of bronze; the legs were made of iron; and the feet were made partly of iron and partly of clay. Out of all the metals, gold is the most valuable followed by silver, then bronze, and then iron and finally iron mixed with clay. The value of each metal therefore, going from highest to lowest, matches the exact order of the body parts going from the head to the feet. We will notice in upcoming lessons that this sequence, or order, has definite importance.

IMAGINE THAT!

Which images most closely matches Daniel's description?





TUESDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear Father, I ask for extra understanding as I read about King Nebuchadnezzar's dream. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - SAMUEL 2:30

“..._____ who _____ Me I will honor...”

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Daniel 2:34–35

KEY TEXT: Daniel 2:34

“You watched while a stone was cut out without hands, which struck the image on its feet of iron and clay, and broke them in pieces.”

LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

King Nebuchadnezzar sees the amazing statue but what follows is even more amazing! A stone which was supernaturally cut without hands unexpectedly struck the image on its feet. The feet broke into pieces and the rest of the statue was crushed together and then blown away by a wind. The stone then turned into a great mountain which filled the whole earth.

Fortunately, we don't need to scratch our heads guessing what all of this means. God is true to His promise in 2 Peter 1:20, where He reassures us that “Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation”. Daniel goes on to explain the meaning in detail.

DEMOLITION!

Which of the following objects struck the image? Draw a line to show where the object hit the statue.





WEDNESDAY

LET'S PRAY Father in Heaven, I praise You because You are awesome and You love me more than anyone else does. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - SAMUEL 2:30

“..._____ who _____ I will honor...”

THERE'S POWER IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Daniel 2:36–43

LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Daniel explains that the image represented four kingdoms. This was shown by the four body parts that were made up of four different metals.

Daniel tells King Nebuchadnezzar that the head of gold represented his kingdom of Babylon. History books confirm that Babylon was indeed a very powerful and rich kingdom that had lots of gold.

Daniel goes on to say that another kingdom will come after Babylon, but this kingdom will not be as rich as Babylon. Again, history books confirm that Medio-Persia conquered Babylon, yet they were not as great or as rich as Babylon. Medio-Persia was known to have used lots of silver which is less valuable than gold.

Then a third kingdom came and conquered Medio-Persia and ruled the world. We know from archaeological diggings that the Greeks loved brass and this again confirms the accuracy of the dream and its interpretation.

Then a ferocious kingdom that is as strong as iron came and broke all the other pieces and crushed them. We know that the Romans favoured iron and that they dominated the world after Greece and became the fourth kingdom.

The Roman Empire eventually divides just as the feet divide into ten toes. And as the feet are partly iron and partly clay, so the Roman empire was partly strong and partly fragile. The Roman empire was not conquered and replaced as the previous kingdoms were, but instead, it divided into what we know as Europe. Rome remains a part of Europe to this very day.

God is the supernatural power that cuts the stone without hands. After the stone breaks the world of today, God sets up His glorious kingdom which is represented by the mountain that fills the earth.





THURSDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear Father, I want to be with You and Jesus in Your kingdom where there will be peace forever. Thank You for making it possible. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - SAMUEL 2:30

“..._____ who _____ _____ will honor...”

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Daniel 2:43–45

KEY TEXT: Daniel 2:44

“...the God of heaven will set up a kingdom which shall never be destroyed; ...”

LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

Although Daniel wrote this account of the dream many thousands of years ago, he accurately predicted that Europe will never, ever unite again to become one kingdom that rules the world. That is despite many and varied attempts throughout the ages by kings, army generals and others.

One of the various attempts to join Europe was through kings marrying royal women from a different European country. European countries also tried to invade one another through battle, but without success. Right up to our current day we see Europe trying to unite through money and trade, but that has also failed with Brexit.

We can, therefore, have confidence in God's promise to end all fighting and struggles for power when He sets up His kingdom that will stand forever. That's a kingdom I want to be a part of, don't you?

EUROPE DIVIDED

Let us divide Europe and see how many new words we can make from the letters:

E - U - R - O - P - E

CLUES:

1. A type of thick cord used to tie things securely **__ _ p e**
2. The opposite of down **__ p**
3. Gold is extracted from a solid material called **__ _ e**
4. Something that is uncontaminated is called **p _ r _**





FRIDAY

LET'S PRAY Dear God, please help me to use all the opportunities that You bring me to be a shining light for You. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - SAMUEL 2:30

“..._____ who _____ will _____”

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Daniel 2:46–49

KEY TEXT: Daniel 2:47–48

“...‘Truly your God is the God of gods, the Lord of kings, and revealer of secrets’ ...Then the king promoted Daniel....”

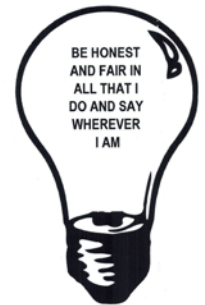
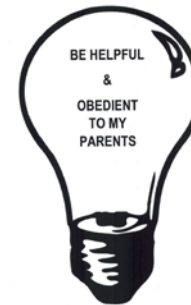
LET'S THINK ABOUT THIS

And God certainly did honour Daniel and his three companions. Verse 48 says God gave Daniel many great gifts and “made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief administrator over all the wise men of Babylon.” He also granted Daniel's request to place Shadrach, Meshach, and Abed-Nego (the Babylonian names of his three friends) in charge of all the affairs of the province of Babylon. The invasion by Medio-Persia was several years away so Babylon still ruled the world as a mighty nation. The many years of diligent study and faithfulness in following God had prepared Daniel and his friends to be shining lights for God's truth in Babylon.

Just as God called Daniel, He also calls us to be His witnesses in the world. We can start by being a shining light in our homes, in the playground, in our neighbourhood and in the classroom.

LIGHT BULB MOMENTS!

Which light are you shining for Jesus? Colour only the shining light examples in a bright yellow!





SABBATH

LET'S PRAY Lord, please give me the correct understanding of the image according to Daniel's explanation in Your word. In Jesus' name, Amen.

MEMORY VERSE - SAMUEL 2:30

“..._____ who _____ _____ _____ _____”

THERE'S **POWER** IN THE WORD!

LET'S READ:

Daniel 2:37–43

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Complete the activities below as revision for this week.

PROPHECY REVISION

In the space below, draw the statue from the dream and colour it in correctly.

TRUE or FALSE

1. Medo-Persia conquered Babylon. _____
2. Medo-Persia was known for its gold. _____
3. Greece conquered Medo-Persia. _____
4. The Roman Empire was as strong as iron. _____
5. The Roman Empire divided into Europe. _____
6. The feet were made of gold and silver. _____