

Sunday, 03-12-2023

Daniel's Prayer
Bible Background: Daniel 9:3-19
Printed Text: Daniel 7:4B-14 KJV/NLT
Devotional Reading: James 5:13-18

Aim for Change:

- **RECOGNIZE** human sinfulness.
 1. How do others **RECOGNIZE** my sinfulness? Do I **RECOGNIZE** my own sinfulness towards God and others?
 2. Am I often too proud to accept criticism?
 - **TRUST** that God forgives us of our sins.
 1. Am I abusing my **TRUST** in God to justify my sin?
 2. By His forgiveness of our sins, how can I show others how to **TRUST** in the Lord?
 - **CALL** on God in times of great distress.
 1. How am I calling my Father in times of distress? How do I respond to His answer after I **CALL**?
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Devotional Reading: Faithful Prayer – James 5:13-18; Matthew 9:18-26; Mark 6:7-13

1. How diligent am I in my prayer life? Do I include the Sick and Shut-In?
 2. Do I not confess my sins because I haven't repented?
 3. How has my prayers been heard?
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Focal Verses – Daniel's Prayer of Confession Daniel 9:4B-14

- **A Prayer of Confession (vv. 4B-8) – Nehemiah 1:6-9; Isaiah 64:4-9**
 1. Am I too good to include myself in those who have sinned against God? Knowing that God sees all already, how likely am I to confess those sins to Him? How generic is my confession?
 2. How ashamed am I when I find out I have sinned against God? Do I let that shamefulness hinder/deter my repentance, praise, and prayer to the Father?
 3. Am I disgracing God without realizing it?
 - **A Prayer of Repentance (vv. 9-14) – Jeremiah 8:4-6**
 1. Am I disobedient to God as those before me?
 2. Am I taking God's mercy and forgiveness for granted?
 3. How well do I know God's voice? How have I ignored His warnings?
 4. Do I only pray in times of hardships? How can I incorporate scripture into my prayers?
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Daily Readings:

- **Monday:** Daniel's Resolve – **Daniel 1:8-15** – How do I fast to draw closer to God? How do I refrain from partaking of the world?
- **Tuesday:** Daniel's Recognition – **Daniel 1:16-21** – Has my wisdom and understanding increased in the Lord?
- **Wednesday:** The King's Challenge – **Daniel 2:1-11** – Do I depend on others to speak to me from God?
- **Thursday:** Daniel's Intervention – **Daniel 2:12-16** – Am I intervening on other people's behalf?
- **Friday:** Daniel's Success – **Daniel 2:36-49** – Has God revealed His wisdom for my success, but my disobedience and ignorance keeps me from it?
- **Saturday:** Daniel's Prayer of Supplication – **Daniel 9:15-19** – How am I talking to God in prayer? Openly? With attitude? Distracted?