

BEING A POSITIVE INFLUENCE IN A NEGATIVE WORLD

PRAY!! Daniel 6,9,10:12,13

DAN. 6:10 - Now when Daniel learned that the decree had been published, he went home to his upstairs room where the windows opened toward Jerusalem. Three times a day he got down on his knees and prayed, giving thanks to his God, just as he had done before.

1. RECOGNIZE OUR _____ OF GOD (KNEELING INDICATES HUMILITY)

2. PRAY _____ AND CONTINUALLY – “just as he used to do”

I Thess. 5:17 – “pray without ceasing” – NIV “pray continually”. Pray about _____

3. PRAY WITH GRATITUDE – PHIL. 4:6; I THESS. 5:16-18

Phil 4:6 - Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer (general) and petition (specific), with thanksgiving, present your requests to God

I Thess. 5 ¹⁶ Rejoice always, ¹⁷ pray continually, ¹⁸ give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.

DAN. 9

4. PRAY BIBLICALLY – “I understood from the Scriptures” – V. 2 “Pray the Word”

5. PRAY TO A _____ GOD – v. 2, 13, 20 and other times in this chapter are the only times “Jehovah” is used as a Name of God in Daniel – His personal name

6. PRAY FOR OUR _____ – v. 4-19

1) Confession of sin & rebellion – V. 5,6

2) Recognition of God’s judgment – V. 7 ff

3) Prayer for mercy – V. 16 – 19 v. 18b It’s always appropriate to pray for God’s mercy!

DAN. 10:12,13

7. PRAYER IS SOMETIMES DELAYED BY SPIRITUAL _____

II Kings 6:17 – “open his eyes, Lord”

EPH. 6:10FF

¹⁰ Finally, be strong in the Lord and in his mighty power. ¹¹ Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil’s schemes. ¹² For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms. ¹³

Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand. ¹⁴ Stand firm then, with the belt of truth buckled around your waist, with the breastplate of righteousness in place, ¹⁵ and with your feet fitted with the readiness that comes from the gospel of peace. ¹⁶ In addition to all this, take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one. ¹⁷ Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. ¹⁸ And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord’s people. ¹⁹ Pray also for me, that whenever I speak, words may be given me so that I will fearlessly make known the mystery of the gospel, ²⁰ for which I am an ambassador in chains. Pray that I may declare it fearlessly, as I should.

Belt of Truth – the Word – Lord, help me know the _____

Breastplate of righteousness – protects your heart – mind, will, emotions (I Peter 4:7)

Sandals of the Gospel – keep us _____

Shield of faith – comes by hearing the Word of God

Helmet of salvation – protection over _____

Sword of Spirit – Bible-based praying. If you pray the Bible, you’ll be praying God’s will!

