

Daniel Series

Daniel Chapter 1 & 2

Directions

Read Chapters 1 & 2 of the book of Daniel. Each chapter will have its own teaching video, activity pages, and study questions. There will be a quiz on the last page that will be about both Chapters 1 & 2. Do your best and have fun!!!

Take Notes

- We recommend using AVID or Cornell style note taking
- Write out the study guide questions and answer them while you are reading
- Draw pictures if you would like to

Watch the teaching video

- Have your notes with you as you follow along with the teacher
- Your teacher will read the scriptures and talk about important details

Do Activity Pages

- If you're able to, print out the activity sheets. If you don't have a printer, take a screenshot of the page and complete it on your tablet or phone. You can email a screenshot of your completed work to foljuniorsministry@gmail.com

Study!!!

- Use this Kahoot link to play a study game with your family
 - [Kahoot Link](#)
 - Answer the study guide questions on the last page and take quiz 1 & 2

Take Your Test

- A test will be given at the same time for all Juniors to play together on Friday

Chapter One

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The first chapter of the book of Daniel was written in Hebrew and it introduces us to the author and the main character of the book, Daniel. The invasion of Jerusalem in the first chapter begins the 70 year captivity of the Jews in Babylon that was prophesied by the prophet Jeremiah. It is believed that Daniel was a teenager at this time.

Characters:

- ★ Daniel (Belteshazzar)
- ★ Hananiah (Shadrach)
- ★ Mishael (Meshach)
- ★ Azariah (Abed-Nego)
- ★ King Jehoiakim

- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar
- ★ Ashpenaz (master/chief of the eunuchs)
- ★ Melzar (the steward)
- ★ King Cyrus

Vocabulary

Besieged: surround (a place) with armed forces in order to capture it or force its surrender

Eunuch: Servant or slave of the royal court

The King's delicacies: Food that may have included meats, fish, lamb, dates, barley, honey, olives, grapes, beans, and other foods that may have been offered to idols. (The Jews would not eat food dedicated to false idols).

Pulse: Vegetables, beans, and seeds. Foods that Daniel and his friends may have eaten



Chapter One Outline: Historical Setting of Daniel

Daniel and his friends taken captive and deported to Babylon Verses 1-7

- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar invaded Jerusalem during the 3rd year reign of King Jehoiakim, king of Judah.
- ★ The king orders Ashpenaz, the chief, to bring prisoners who have no blemishes, are handsome, smart, and of royal or noble blood into the king's palace. The king wanted them to learn how to be Babylonian citizens in 3 years. He fed them the best food in all the kingdom.
- ★ Some of these young men were from the tribe of Judah, their names were Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah.
- ★ The chief gave them new Babylonian names;
 - Daniel = Belteshazzar
 - Hananiah = Shadrach
 - Mishael = Meshach
 - Azariah = Abed-Nego

Daniel and his friends remain faithful in Babylon Verses 8-16

- ★ Daniel and friends decided not to eat the king's delicacies including meat and wine.
- ★ God brought Daniel into favor with the chief of eunuchs. The eunuch was afraid that the four boys would look weaker than the other boys who would eat the meat.
- ★ Daniel told the steward, Melzar, to test them for 10 days to eat only pulse and water. At the end of the 10 days Daniel and his friends looked healthier and stronger than all the other boys.

Daniel and his friends promoted to the king's court Verses 17-21

- ★ God gave the four young men wisdom and understanding, and God gave Daniel a gift of interpreting dreams and visions.
- ★ The four young boys impressed the king and they were brought into the royal court. Daniel served in the royal court until the reign King Cyrus



Daniel Chapter 1 Word Search

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Nebuchadnezzar *Wisdom* *Eunuch* *King Cyrus* *Judah* *Favor*
Vegetables *Babylon* *Abednego* *Shadrach* *Hananiah* *Mishael*
Meshach *Azariah* *Palace* *King Jehoiakim* *Chaldeans* *Daniel*

Chapter Two

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Chapters 2-7 were written in Aramaic and they all are about God's authority over the nations. Chapters 2 and 7 are both paired up.

Characters:

- ★ Daniel (Belteshazzar)
- ★ Hananiah (Shadrach)
- ★ Mishael (Meshach)
- ★ Azariah (Abed-Nego)
- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar
- ★ Magicians, enchanters, sorcerers, and astrologers
- ★ Arioch, captain of the king's guard,



Vocabulary

Interpret: Explain the meaning of information, words, or action. In this lesson, it means to explain the meaning of a dream.

Province: A division of a country, Empire, or Kingdom

Chapter Two Outline: King Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

King Nebuchadnezzar's Dream and Demand Verses 1-13

- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar had a dream. He calls all his magicians, enchanters, sorcerers, and astrologers and he demands them to tell him what he dreamed.
- ★ They said they could not tell him his dream, so King Nebuchadnezzar became angry and he ordered for all the wise men to be killed.

God Reveals Nebuchadnezzar's Dream Verses 14-23

- ★ Arioch, captain of the king's guard, came to kill Daniel and his friends. Daniel asked him what happened. Arioch told Daniel everything
- ★ Daniel asked the king for more time to tell the king what the dream meant
- ★ Daniel told his friends to seek mercy from God about the secret of the dream
- ★ The secret was revealed to Daniel that night. Daniel praised God

To God Be the Glory Verses 24-30

- ★ Daniel went to see Arioch and told him to tell the king that he knows the meaning of his dream.
- ★ Daniel tells the king that only God can reveal the secret of his dream.
- ★ Daniel tells him that God wants him to know what was in his heart

Daniel Interprets the King's Dream Verses 31-45

★ **Head = Gold = King**

Nebuchadnezzar

★ **Chest & Arms = Silver = Persia**

★ **Belly & Thighs = Bronze = Greece**

★ The Interpretation of the Dream:

- God made King Nebuchadnezzar a great king. Another kingdom will take his place, then another one will come, and another one will come after that.
- The last kingdom will be divided, some strong and other weak. They will not hold together.
- During these kings, God will make a kingdom that will never be destroyed and it will crush all the other kingdoms. God was showing the king what will happen in the future

★ **Legs = Iron = Roman Empire**

★ **Feet = Iron & Clay = Divided Roman Empire**

★ **Rock = Kingdom of Jesus Christ**

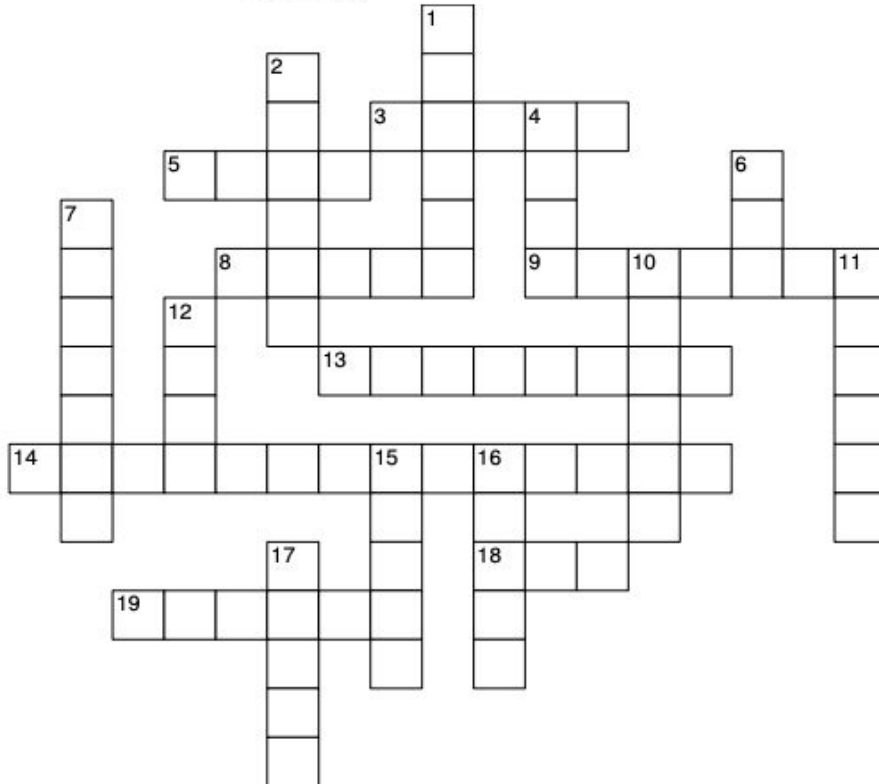
King Nebuchadnezzar Rewards Daniel Verses 46-49

- ★ King Nebuchadnezzar commanded the people to sacrifice sweet incense before Daniel
- ★ “Truly your God is the greatest of gods, the Lord of kings..”
- ★ He made Daniel ruler of the whole province of Babylon and chief of all his wise men
- ★ **Shadrach**, **Meshach**, and **Abed-Nego** became in charge of the affairs of the province of Babylon



Daniel. Chapter 2

The Dream



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Across

- 3 God sets up (raises up) _____ and removes them.
- 5 Jesus is said to be the _____ that destroyed the statue in the king's dream.
- 8 The penalty for not interpreting the dream was _____ of the Chaldeans and their families.
- 9 The feet of clay and iron represent a _____ kingdom.
- 13 God knows what is in or lies in the _____.
- 14 The king wanted the wise men to tell him the dream so that he would know that its _____ was real and not just made up.
- 18 Nebuchadnezzar confessed that Daniel's _____ is _____ of all gods.
- 19 In the second year of Nebuchadnezzar's reign, he had dreams over which his _____ was so troubled that sleep left him.

Down

- 1 Daniel went to this person whom the king had appointed to destroy the wise men of Babylon.
- 2 Daniel challenged the king's _____ asking why it was so urgent or harsh.
- 4 In the king's dream there was a statue whose head was made of this material.
- 6 Daniel gave credit for knowing and understanding the king's dream to _____.
- 7 Daniel praised or blessed God for revealing the dream and its meaning and stated He changes the times and the what?
- 10 During the night, the king's dream, the secret, was revealed to Daniel in a _____.
- 11 All wise men were to be killed so they sought out this person and his companions (friends) to kill them.
- 12 Daniel asked the king for _____ that he may interpret the dream for him.
- 15 The Chaldeans claimed there was not a man on _____ that could tell the dream and its interpretation.
- 16 Because there was no one who could tell the dream and interpret it, the king was very _____ and furious.
- 17 The king commanded his "wise" men to tell him his what that troubled him?

Study Guide Questions

Chapter 1 [Quiz 1](#)

- Who are the major characters in this chapter?
- Who was Ashpenaz?
- Who was Melzar?
- What kind of food did the King want the Children of Israel to eat?
- What new names did Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah receive?
- Who was Jehoiakim?
- Who was Nebuchadnezzar?
- Why wouldn't Daniel and his friends eat the king's food?
- What food did they want to eat?
- What tribe were Daniel and his friends from?
- How long were the young men tested for?
- What is pulse?

Chapter 2 [Quiz 2](#)

- Who had a dream?
- Who did the king call to interpret the dream?
- What happened?
- Who interpreted the dream?
- What was the interpretation of the dream? (Daniel 2:36-49)
- What was Daniel's reward for interpreting the dream?
- Who gave Daniel the ability to interpret the king's dream?

Test Time!

Congratulations on completing your first week! You should be very proud of yourself for studying the first two chapters of the book of Daniel.

The test will take place on Friday, April 3rd at 6p.m.

Make sure to send an email to foljuniorsministry@gmail.com in order to be added to our Google Classroom. We will send an email with information on how to participate in the Live Test. Have fun and try your best!