

Reading assignment for September 17-23; Ezekiel 42-48; Daniel, Hosea 1-4;

Memory: Daniel 11:32(b) *“...the people who know their God shall be strong and carry out great exploits.”*

Consider:

1. In Daniel 1, the Hebrew young people were held in bondage and exposed to values contrary to their religious roots. Notice how God blessed the Hebrew young men for their resolve to not compromise their convictions. Let this chapter encourage you to go to a young person this week and let them know of your prayer support, and encourage them to remain firm in their relationship with the Lord.

2. In Daniel 2, Daniel sought the prayer support of his friends when faced with circumstances he did not understand. Consider your friends who are facing difficult circumstances. Pray for them and encourage them to trust God even when the outcome is something they do not understand or prefer.

3. As we see in chapter 6, Daniel lived a life free of reproach yet there were individuals who opposed him and tried to bring him harm. How did Daniel respond in this situation and how did God intervene?

4. Chapters 9 and 10 of Daniel illustrate important principles of prayer.
 - A. What was the focus of Daniel's prayer in 9:3-19, and how can his prayer serve as a model of intercession for your family and community?

 - B. What important principles of prayer do you see in Daniel 10:1-14?