

Daniel - Lesson 2

"ELECT *Exiles*: Trusting in Daniel's God"

Daniel 2

Day 1 – Read Daniel 2

Pray: All of God's Word is breathed out by Him. Thank Him that His Word brings us life.

Read Again: Daniel 2:1-14

1) What happened to Nebuchadnezzar in the second year of his reign? Note how it made him feel.

2) Whom does Nebuchadnezzar gather, and what does he request of them?

What is unique about this request?

Why might he make this particular ask?

- 3) What are the consequences of doing or not doing what Nebuchadnezzar requests?

Doing	Not Doing

- 4) Summarize the exchange of words in Daniel 2:7-9 between the king and the Chaldeans.

- 5) In Daniel 2:10-11, what is the response of the Chaldeans?

- 6) How does King Nebuchadnezzar respond?

What does he command?

Who was to carry out this command?

Day 2 – Read Daniel 2:1-18

- 7) **Application:** What dreams, thoughts, worries, and questions trouble you at night?

Where are you turning when your spirit is troubled?

- 8) What does Daniel do in Daniel 2:14-15?

- 9) What two words are used to describe the manner in which he acted? Write them below and define them.

1. _____ -

2. _____ -

10) After learning from Arioch the matter at hand, what does Daniel do?

11) Then what does he immediately do in Daniel 2:17-18?

12) In the flow of events in this passage, why are Daniel's actions so bold and faith-filled?

Day 3 – Read Daniel 2:17-30

13) In Daniel 2:19, what does God do?

What is Daniel's immediate response?

- 14) Read Daniel's blessing recorded in Daniel 2:20-23.
What is declared about God in Daniel 2:20-22?

According to Daniel 2:23, what specifically did He do for Daniel?

Application: How would you summarize the truths that are revealed about God in these four verses?

- 15) Before Daniel makes known to Nebuchadnezzar the dream and its interpretation, what does he intentionally do?

- 16) Read Proverbs 2:6. Who is the source of all wisdom and understanding?

What other insights do we gain from the following verses:

1 Kings 4:29 –

Proverbs 16:16 –

Matthew 7:24 –

James 1:5 –

1 Corinthians 1:22-24, 30 –

Colossians 2:2-3 -

- 17) **Application:** In crises and even mundane struggles, where do you find yourself turning most frequently for wisdom and understanding?

What are the roadblocks we put up that prevent us from turning to **the source** of wisdom and understanding?

Day 4 – Read Daniel 2:20-45

- 18) Daniel's responses to answered prayer and God's provision are recorded in 2:20-23 and 27-30. What do these responses reveal about Daniel's heart?

Application: How does this challenge you or reveal your own posture toward God?

- 19) How is the image in Nebuchadnezzar's dream described in Daniel 2:31?

20) Fill out the chart below with the details of the dream.

Body Part:	Material:

What happens in the dream according to Daniel 2:34-35?

21) What do we learn about God from Daniel's words recorded in Daniel 2:37-38?

What verb is used once again in both of these verses?

22) Who and what does the head of gold represent?

What do the other body parts of the image in the dream represent?

23) Who/what is the stone representing?

What do we learn from the following verses concerning this stone?

Isaiah 28:16 –

Matthew 21:42-44; Luke 20:17-19 –

Mark 1:14-15 –

1 Peter 2:4-9 –

Revelation 11:15 –

Day 5 – Read Daniel 2:46-49

24) How does King Nebuchadnezzar, the most powerful king at the time, respond to the interpretation of his dream?

To whom does he pay homage?

What does he acknowledge about Daniel's God?

**Note this is an acknowledgement but not yet worship.*

25) What four things does Nebuchadnezzar do for Daniel?

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

26) What request does Daniel make?

Where does Daniel stay?

Why is this significant?

27) How would an Israelite in exile in Babylon be encouraged by this story?

28) What does faith during exile look like in Daniel 2?

Application: How might this encourage you as an elect exile?

- 29) **Application:** Colossians 1:13 reads, “He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son.” This Kingdom is enduring, eternal, and unshakeable. As an elect exile, how are you encouraged by this truth?

“Therefore let us be grateful for receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, and thus let us offer to God acceptable worship, with reverence and awe.” Hebrews 12:28