

Daniel Chapter 1 - 9

(Review and Application Questions)

Chapter 1

- ◆ When have you taken a Christian stand in a non-Christian setting?
- ◆ How do you think Daniel felt as he became steeped in Babylonian culture?
- ◆ In what ways do your Christian beliefs clash with the culture around you?
- ◆ In what ways do your Christian beliefs affect your view of people of other cultures?

Chapter 2

- ◆ How do you usually deal with unreasonable or demanding people? What can we learn from Daniel's example?
- ◆ What significance do your dreams have in the way you live your daily life? Are there any principles from this chapter that instruct us about dreams?
- ◆ How does this passage show God's involvement in the political process? What bearing if any does this apply to the upcoming presidential elections?

Chapter 3

- ◆ If someone in authority over you told you to do something wrong, how would you respond? Can you share a story where you faced this reality?
- ◆ In what area of your life is it most difficult for you to stand by your Christian beliefs?
- ◆ How has hardship strengthened your walk with the Lord?

Chapter 4

- ◆ What image or symbol, like King Nebuchadnezzar's tree, has great importance to you in your walk with God?
- ◆ How has God most recently revealed Himself to you?
- ◆ In what ways can our view of ourselves hinder our spiritual growth? What observations can we take away from King Nebuchadnezzar?

Chapter 5

- ◆ Why was Belshazzar proud? What makes people proud nowadays?
- ◆ What can we do to keep pride from clouding our perspective and respect for God?
- ◆ What advice from this chapter can you offer to others concerning receiving a rebuke or being criticized?

Chapter 6

- ◆ What observations do you draw from this chapter that helps us understand the source of Daniel's character?
- ◆ If you were attending a public event at which you felt that your Christian values were being compromised, what would you do? Can you share a story where you had this occur?
- ◆ What advice can you offer from Daniel's example to a family member about becoming a stronger, more courageous Christian?

Chapter 7

- ◆ God revealed Himself to Daniel through dreams and visions. How does God usually speak to us today? What are some examples from your life?
- ◆ How does Daniel's vision portray God's control in the affairs of the world?
- ◆ How can the nations of the world become a part of your daily prayer life?
- ◆ What steps do you normally take to hand over your fears to the Lord?

Chapter 8

- ◆ How was Daniel affected by the interpretation of the vision? What lesson can we bring into our own lives from his experiences?
- ◆ How have power and arrogance crept into the Christian church? What can we do as members of WVC to guard against this pattern?
- ◆ God enabled Daniel to prophesy. What special gift has God given you so you can serve Him? How are you using that gift(s) today?

Chapter 9

- ◆ What do we learn personally from this chapter about sin and confession?
- ◆ What applications can we take from this chapter about corporate sin and confession within the church?
- ◆ How can you become more confessional in your everyday life with the Lord?