

1. A repeated message from heaven

- a) Daniel 2:1-3 It appears Nebuchadnezzar had a particular dream on more than one occasion. Why?
- b) Name other times when God gave a special revelation to someone through a dream or vision.
- c) Daniel 2:4-6 Why is the king so troubled?
- d) Daniel 2:7-11 Why were the king's counselors unable to interpret the dream?
- e) How were Daniel and his three friends impacted by the incompetence and impotence of the king's counselors? Daniel 2:12-13

2. Daniel's prayer

- a) How did Daniel respond to this life-threatening challenge?
 - i) Daniel 2:14-15
 - ii) Daniel 2:16
 - iii) Daniel 2:17-23
- b) How was Daniel certain he had received the correct dream and its interpretation?

3. Daniel's testimony and revelation

- a) Daniel 2:24-30 What impresses you about Daniel's testimony to the king even before the dream and its interpretation are given?
- b) Daniel 2:31 How do you imagine the reactions of those present when Daniel spoke these words?
- c) Daniel 2:32-35 – the dream revealed

- d) Daniel 2:36-45 What impresses you the most as you hear Daniel's interpretation of the dream?
 - i) Gold – Babylon 626-539 BC
 - ii) Silver – Media-Persia 539-331 BC
 - iii) Bronze – Greece 331-168 BC
 - iv) Iron – Rome 168 BC – 476 AD
 - v) Iron & Clay – divided Europe 476 AD-the end
 - vi) The Stone – Christ's eternal kingdom

4. King Nebuchadnezzar's response

- a) Daniel 2:46 – the king's initial response
- b) The Bible doesn't record Daniel's verbal response, but what would you expect in the light of Daniel's testimony in Daniel 2:28?
- c) What change do you notice recorded in Daniel 2:47?
- d) Daniel 2:48-49 What can we learn about king Nebuchadnezzar and Daniel from the events recorded in these verses?

5. The relevance of this dream for our lives today

- a) Why is this dream, given on several occasions to king Nebuchadnezzar, and then to Daniel, so relevant for our lives today? Daniel 2:28
- b) What is the most important lesson you are taking away from our study of Daniel 2?

