

The Book of Daniel
"Dealing With Bad News"
Daniel Chapter 10

Introduction

In Daniel Chapter 10, we catch a glimpse of the demonic power at work in world governments. We see Daniel's prayer hindered. We see a vision of Christ. We see the prayer of faith that perseveres and prevails. We also realize the prayer of the godly matters to God and that perseverance in prayer does make a difference. And finally, we recognize that God's timing is always perfect.

1. The first wave of exiles returned under the leadership of _____.
2. Daniel 10 sets the stage for a spectacular prophecy of Daniel 11, which describes a time of great persecution and testing for the people of _____.
3. Daniel says the message is _____, but the appointed time is far off.
4. _____ didn't return to Israel with Ezra's group.
5. The Biblical practice of fasting is to abstain from food as a form of self-denial in order to give attention to _____.
6. In verse 4, Daniel sees an amazing figure standing on the banks of the _____ River.
7. Some say this is _____, noting that the description resembles what John saw in Revelation 1:12-16.
8. In verse 7, Daniel's companions are _____ and run for cover.
9. We can be close to the presence and power of God and still miss the message through a lack of spiritual _____.
10. Daniel was visibly shaken by this _____ which shows

us that even the holiest among us can't stand before God.

11. Since Daniel was overcome with weakness and lay prostrate, he was strengthened by the _____ of the messenger's hand.
12. The angel calls Daniel a man greatly _____.
13. Daniel had been in serious prayer for _____ full weeks.
14. The prince who opposed the angelic messenger is some kind of evil _____ being because he opposes the word of God and delays God's angelic messenger.
15. On three occasions, Jesus referred to Satan as the prince of this _____. (John 12:31, 14:30, and 16:11).
16. The answer to Daniel's prayer was delayed 21 days by the prince of the kingdom of _____.
17. The angel tells Daniel that, "_____, one of the chief princes, came to help me."
18. Persistence in prayer is necessary because God uses it to _____ us.
19. How many times has angelic assistance or insight been delayed or never realized due to a lack of _____ in prayer?
20. God is watching out for Israel, working behind the scenes in the _____ realm.
21. Israel may seem insignificant and weak on earth, but in the _____, Israel has the mightiest representative of all.
22. As we examine Chapter 10, we see, first of all, that the prayer of the _____ does matter to God.

I. The Prayer of the Godly Matters to God

23. The longer you serve the Lord, the more you realize you must keep _____ spiritually.
24. Prayer restores and strengthens us. When we are broken or weak, prayer revitalizes our _____.
25. When we're _____, prayer lifts us up.
26. There is power in the _____ of Jesus!
27. The _____ of prayer cannot be overstated. The prayer of the godly matters to God.

II. Persevering in Prayer Makes a Difference.

28. When our prayers aren't answered right away, it means we have to _____.
29. Waiting is good _____.
30. The time you spend waiting upon the Lord is never _____.
31. Persevering in prayer tests the depth of our _____.
32. Prayer is like every other physical or spiritual exercise; the more you do it, the _____ you get at it.

III. God's timing is always perfect.

33. God's sense of timing is different than ours, but His timing is always _____.
34. One thing Daniel knew for sure was that God is the sovereign Lord of the _____.
35. Sometimes it's hard to see the _____ for waiting.
36. God knows everything, but we don't. We see the world from a _____ perspective, but God sees everything as it is.

37. God is deliberate and _____ when he makes you a promise.

Conclusion

38. God's intentions for you are _____, and He cares about you.

39. When God makes us wait, it's always for our good and for His _____.

The prayer of the godly matters to God, and it makes a difference when we persevere in prayer. You can trust God's timing because he loves you and only wants what is good for you. Waiting isn't easy, but God will see you through it if you let him. Keep the faith, keep holding on, and keep trusting God.

ANSWERS

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| 1. Ezra | 24. Spirit |
| 2. Israel | 25. Discouraged |
| 3. True | 26. Name |
| 4. Daniel | 27. Importance |
| 5. Prayer | 28. Wait |
| 6. Tigris | 29. Discipline |
| 7. Jesus | 30. Wasted |
| 8. Terrified | 31. Faith |
| 9. Perception | 32. Better |
| 10. Vision | 33. Perfect |
| 11. Touch | 34. Future |
| 12. Beloved | 35. Reason |
| 13. Three | 36. Limited |
| 14. Angelic | 37. Intentional |
| 15. World | 38. Good |
| 16. Persia | 39. Glory |
| 17. Michael | |
| 18. Train | |
| 19. Persistence | |
| 20. Spiritual | |
| 21. Heavenlies | |
| 22. Godly | |
| 23. Growing | |