

# — weekly — STUDY GUIDE

INTEGRATED BIBLE ENGAGEMENT

## DAILY TRIUMPH Week 2

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## Introduction

Welcome to the Study Guide for our series in Daniel called Daily Triumph. We are committed as a church to "Integrated Bible and Prayer Engagement." Each week our Study Guide reflects that commitment. This means we have the opportunity to engage in studying the Bible and praying in an integrated fashion. We engage and pray through our Personal Time section. We engage and pray in our homes through our Table Conversation section. We engage and pray in our groups through our In Community section. Then, we engage and pray at our campus through the worship service where we can record things God is showing us in the Notes section. These four opportunities create integrated Bible and prayer engagement, and they help God's Word take deeper and deeper root into our hearts and lives.

## Personal Time

### READ DANIEL 2

What stood out to you from this passage? Why?

### READ DANIEL 2:1-13

What was the king's response to his wise men when they couldn't do what he asked? Can you think of more recent events in which rulers acted in a similar way toward their people?

### READ DANIEL 2:14-23

What steps did Daniel take in dealing with this crisis? How did Daniel respond to God when he provided the solution? How might the steps Daniel took help you the next time you face a crisis?

## *Personal Time Continued...*

### **READ DANIEL 2:24-49**

How did Daniel approach King Nebuchadnezzar? Who is the rock “cut out, but not by human hands”? Read 2 Peter 3:10-13. Share what you have learned about prophecies in the Bible and the way we should respond.

### **PRAY**

Pray the Lord would open your heart throughout the study of Daniel to see how we can live as Daniel in these challenging times. Ask God to transform your heart and life throughout these twelve weeks. Ask him to help you live a witness like Daniel in your home, your neighborhood, your workplace, your school, and your city.

## *Table Conversation*

### **DISCUSS**

Use these prompts to spark a series of table conversations this week, or cover them all in one sitting, whatever works best for your family.

### **READ AND DISCUSS**

Read Daniel 2:14-17. This is the second time in as many chapters we've seen Daniel make a successful appeal to someone in authority over him. What things did he do (and not do) that gave him favor with those authorities?

### **READ AND DISCUSS**

Read Daniel 2:23. Think of a time your family has seen God do something only he could do, and spend time thanking Him for it in prayer.

### **READ AND DISCUSS**

Read Daniel 2:21. God's power allows him to appoint kings and rulers of nations. How should this truth impact the way we approach the upcoming elections in our country?

### **READ AND DISCUSS**

Read Daniel 2:44-45. What can we learn about God from this scripture? What hope does this give us for the future?

### **PRAY**

Give thanks for what you learned about God from this discussion. Acknowledge God's power over the events of history and his goodness toward his people. Then express your trust in him as the one who controls the circumstances of your life.

# *In Community*

## **READ**

Read Daniel 2:1-49

## **DISCUSS**

- Share an observation from your Personal Time on this chapter.
- Why do you think God chose Nebuchadnezzar to tell him this dream?
- How are God's actions with Daniel different than his approach with Nebuchadnezzar?
- What was the final outcome in this situation for Nebuchadnezzar, the wise men of Babylon, and for Daniel and his friends?
- What is your biggest takeaway from your integrated Bible and prayer engagement with Daniel 2?

## **PRAY**

Share prayer requests in your group and pray for each other. Also pray for those who are not yet a part of your group that may want to join you. Finally, make sure to pray by name for your neighbors!

# *Notes*