

The Impossible is Possible with God

Daniel 2

Politics of the nation (vv. 1-3)

- King Nebuchadnezzar had a dream.
- The dream troubled his mind, and he could not sleep.
- He demanded to have the dream stated and interpreted.

Ploy of satan (vv. 4-13)

- Interpret the dream without knowing what he dreamt.
- Failure to do so equals death / Ability to do so equals reward and honor. (vv. 5-6)
- Their stalling was interpreted as inability. (vv. 7-11)
- Their inability resulted in an execution order. (vv. 12-13)

Plan of God (vv. 14-45)

- Daniel asked about the matter with wisdom and discretion. (Eph. 4:15)
- He bathed this task with prayer. (vv. 17-18)
- The Lord revealed the dream: (vv. 19, 27-28)

Observations:

- The leadership of each kingdom is getting cheaper.
- The stone, not of human origin, smashes every man-made kingdom. (Is. 28:16, Matt. 21:42, Eph. 2:20)
- It is during the reign of these kings that Jesus establishes His Kingdom. (v. 44, Luke 1:31-33)

Praise to God (vv. 46-49)

- The king threw himself down before Daniel and asked his people to offer sacrifices and burn incense before Daniel.
- The king acknowledged God.
- The king promoted Daniel ruler of the whole province of Babylon, made him chief over all the wise men, and rewarded him with many valuable gifts.
- The king appointed Daniel's friends to be in charge of all the affairs of the province of Babylon.

Points to Ponder:

- When faced with impossible circumstances, remember with God, nothing is impossible!
- When men seek to harm us, remember where our help comes from!
- When we seem inadequate to do the task before us, remember to rely totally on God!
- Remember that others are watching our lives; make sure they see God!