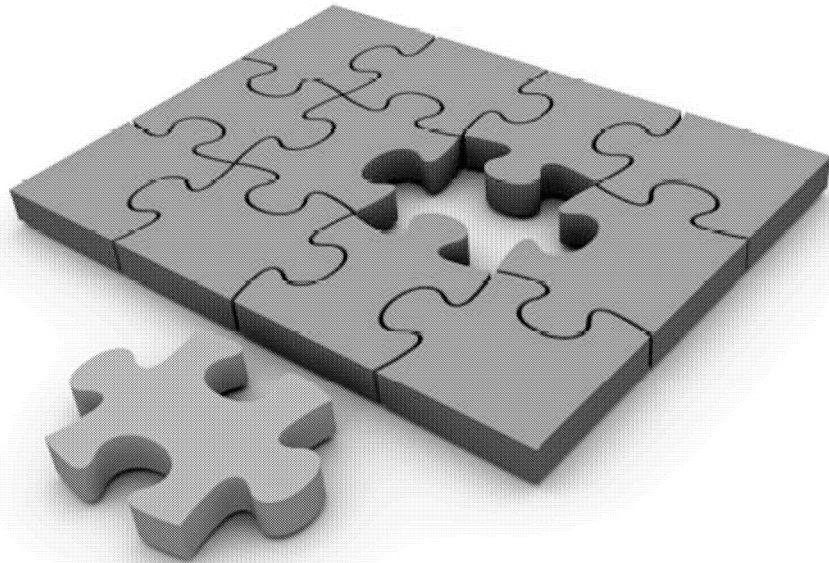


Studies in Daniel – (Study 5) The Impromptu Prayer Meeting

Reading: Daniel 2:14-23



Living a godly life in an ungodly world

“No one can reveal it to the king except the gods, and they do not live among men” (2:11). It is not long before Nebuchadnezzar is to encounter a God who is anything but remote. In the meantime we left our studies last time at a dangerous climax with Daniel and his friend’s lives in danger.

Read Daniel 2:14-23

- 1) In verses 14-16, how did Daniel deal with Nebuchadnezzar’s unreasonable demand? What does this reveal about his character?
- 2) How Daniel uses his time is important. *What do we learn about prayer from verses 17-19 and what do they tell us about these four young men?*
- 3) Verses 20-23 are often referred to as ‘Daniel’s Psalm’. *What do these verses reveal about:*
 - God’s position v20
 - God’s sovereignty v21
 - God’s revelation v22
 - God’s faithfulness v23
- 4) What does this psalm tell us about Daniel’s spiritual life, and how is this translated into his daily life?
- 5) In verse 23 Daniel acknowledges the obvious answer to his prayer. *Are there times when we fail to acknowledge answers to prayer? How can we address this?*

Daniel didn't plot his escape. He didn't hold a conference with all the wise men. He said, "Shadrach, Meshach, Abednego, come, we need to pray.

- 6) What lessons can we learn for our own prayer lives today?