<u>Series</u>: The Prophecy of Daniel <u>Title</u>: Daniel's Intercession <u>Text</u>: (Daniel 9:3-19)

# I. Daniel Considering the Time of the Captivity: (Vs 1-2)

- A. When? 1st Year of Darius.
- **B.** WHO: Daniel:  $\sim$  90 years old.
- C. WHERE: Medo/Persian Victory:
  - 1. Chest & Arms of Silver: (Dan 2:32b)
  - 2. Bear: (Dan 7:5)
  - 3. Hand writing No Surprise: (Dan 5:25-30)

# D. Daniel had the Word of God: (Vs 2)

- 1. No Need of A Vision, Daniel had the Word of God.
  - a) We have the Completed Word of God: (1 Cor 13:8-10)
- 2. Many Tried to Ban/Burn God's Word
  - a) God preserved His Word so Daniel/captives would know God's plan for them. (Ps 12:6-7)
  - **b)** God preserved His Word so We would know God's plan for us:
    - (1) (Matt 24:35)(Is 40:8)(Ps 119:160)

# E. Daniel knew the God of the Word:

- 1. God is a Promise Keeping God:
  - a) Sacking of Jerusalem was a Divine Appointment: 606 BC
  - **b)** Exile was a in fulfillment of a Divine Covenant:
- **2.** (Jer 24:4-7) God still cared for His people.
- **3.** (Jer 24:8-10) God would destroy those that will not Repent: (Vs 9\*) *"For their hurt"*
- 4. (Jer 25:1-14) The reason for the Exile:

#### F. Daniel Knew the Promise God made to Israel:

- 1. The Length of the Exile: 70 years
  - a) The Prophecy is nearly Complete:
  - **b)** (Jer 29:10-14) The Return to their Land
  - c) God told them WHO would return them to the Land:
  - d) CYRUS(Is 44:48)(Is 45:13)(2 Chron 36:22-23)

### G. God is a Promise Keeping God:

1. Obedience Always Precedes Blessings: (1 Jn 3:22) (John 15:10)

## II. Daniel Makes Confession of Sins: (Vs 3-15)

- A. Prayer and Bible Study Go together: (Acts 6:4)
  - Vs 1-2) Daniel Considers the time of Captivity: (Vs 2) It was almost over for the Exiled.
  - 2. Daniel knew their spiritual condition had not changed since their captivity.
- **B.** (Vs 4) Daniel knew the promise God made
  - 1. Solomon: God would hear and Forgive if they prayed toward Jerusalem while in Captivity. (1 Ki 8:33-34)
- C. (Vs 5) Daniel Acknowledged their sin.
- D. (Vs 6) They ignored Moses, Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezekiel.
- E. (Vs 8) They caused their Shame
- **F.** (Vs 9) Our Only Hope is In God's Mercy, not our Righteousness.
- G. (Vs 12) Confirmed fully as He said He would do.
- **H.** (Vs 15) Daniel reminds God how He had worked on their behalf in the past.

- III. Daniel Prays for the Restoration of Jerusalem: (Vs 16-19)
  - A. (Vs 17) Our Prayers should concern God's Will, Glory, & Name.
  - **B.** (Vs 18) We Merit Nothing, Daniel Reminds God of His Mercy.
  - C. (Vs 19) He is Now Ready to Make His Request.