<u>Series</u>: The Prophecy of Daniel <u>Title</u>: The Prophetic Calendar <u>Text</u>: (Daniel 9:1-2)

### 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.** No Surprise to Daniel:
  - 2. Chest & Arms of Silver: (Dan 2:32b)
  - 3. Bear: (Dan 7:5)
  - 4. Hand writing No Surprise: (Dan 5:25-30) "About *Time!*"

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

- 1. No Need of A Vision, Daniel had the Word of God.
  - a) Beware "New Revelation" Not from God:
  - **b)** We have the Completed Word of God: (1 Cor 13:8-10)
- 2. King Jehoiakim Tried to Burn Jeremiah's Prophecy
  - 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 Daniel/captives would know God's plan for them:
    - (1) (Matt 24:35)
    - **(2)** (Is 40:8)
    - (3) (Ps 119:160)
- 3.

## 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:
- c) God always Keeps His promises:
- **2.** (Jer 24:4-7) God still cared for His people.
  - a) (Jer 24:5\*) "For their Good"
- **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: Disobedience
  - a) 70 years for 70 Sabbaths: (2 Chron 36:21)
  - **b)** They were to Trust God every 7th year to care for them.
  - c) They were to Trust God every 50th year (Jubilee year) That God would take care of them.
  - **d)** (Lev 26:27-35) A Promise b/4 they arrived at the Promised Land.
  - e) God would be a covenant breaker, like THEM, if He did NOT punish Israel.
  - **f)** (Deut 27-28) God promised Blessing & Cursing based upon Their Obedience or Disobedience.

## 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. Do you know what Promises God has made you?
  - a) Based upon OUR Obedience to His Word.

- (1) God would save those that Believe: (Jn 3:16)
- (2) God would save those who call upon Him: (Rom 10:13)
- (3) God would Call us His People: (Rom 9:22-26, 30)
- (4) God would Call us Sons/Daughters: (Jn 1:12) (2 Cor 6:16-18)(Gal 3:22)
- 2. We are to Obey & Trust God's Promise to Take care of us:
  - **a)** (Matt 6:26-34)
  - **b**) (Gal 6:7-9)
- **3.** God would be a Promise Breaker, if He did not Punish us when We sin:
  - a) Based upon OUR Disobedience to His Word.(1) (Gal 6:7-8)
    - (2) (Heb 12:5-12)

**4.** Obedience Always Precedes Blessings: (1 Jn 3:22) (John 15:10) *If ye keep my commandments, ye shall <u>abide in</u> <u>my love;</u> even as I have kept my Father's commandments, and abide in his love.* 

- 5. <u>God will not be a debtor to any man</u>: If we obey, God is honor bound to bless us.
- 6. <u>God will not be a debtor to any man</u>: If we disobey, God is honor bound to curse us.

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

- A. Prayer and Bible Study Go together: (Acts 6:4)
- B. Prophecy Boasters Vs Prayer Warriors:

**C.** Daniel knew the promise God made to Solomon: (1 Ki 8:33-36)

III. Daniel Prays for the Restoration of Jerusalem: (Vs 16-19)A.B.

IV. Gabriel informs Daniel of the 70 weeks: (Vs 20-27) A. B.