

Confession Message 7

Perry Duggar March 10, 2019

Outline

I went on praying and confessing my sin and the sin of my people, pleading with the LORD my God... Daniel 9:20 (NLT)

A. Background

(Daniel 9:1-3. C/R: Jeremiah 25:11-12; 29:10; 2 Peter 1:20-21)

B. Essentials of prayer:

1. _____for God. (Daniel 9:4. C/R: Matthew 6:9; 2 Corinthians 1:20; Hebrews 10:23) 3. Accept ______ for discipline. (Daniel 9:11b-16. C/R: Leviticus 26:40-42; 1 Kings 8:33-34; Hebrews 12:5-6)

4. Ask for _____. (Daniel 9:17-19. C/R: Micah 7:18; John 15:7; 1 John 5:14-15)

5. Anticipate God's _____. (Daniel 9:20-27. C/R: Matthew 24:15-22; John 19:15; 1 John 2:2; 2 Thessalonians 2:3)

2. _____ of sin. (Daniel 9:5-11a. C/R: Psalm 32:5; Proverbs 28:13; 1 John 1:8-9)

> **Answers: 1.** Adoration **2.** Admission **3.** responsibility **4.** assistance **5.** answer **Resource Information:** Unless otherwise noted, outline and onscreen verses are from NLT version (New Living Translation) of *The Holy Bible.* C/R, if noted, refers to a 'cross reference' of Scripture verse(s). Today's outline and discussion guide are available to mobile device users through the Brookwood Church app available through your favorite app store.



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Discussion Guide

Use this guide by yourself or with friends to study the Bible and pursue a deeper relationship with God. Check out other Bible study tools at <u>biblegateway.com</u>, <u>biblestudytools.com</u> or <u>bible.com</u>.

Conversation Starter

As a kid, what's one thing you always looked forward to?

Opening in Prayer

The commandments of the LORD are right, bringing joy to the heart. The commands of the LORD are clear, giving insight for living.

<u>Psalm 19:8 (NLT)</u>

Spend a few moments in prayer asking God to guide your time in His Word.

Personal Reflection/Group Discussion

Read Daniel 9:1-19.

If you're in a group, consider having group members take turns reading through this passage out loud.

- 1. List all the ways Daniel describes God. What's the overall impression you get of Daniel's God?
- 2. How does Daniel describe God's people? What do you make of the contrast between God and His people?
- 3. Finish this sentence in your own words:

To sin against God means _____

- 4. What does it mean to *confess your sins*? See also: Psalm 32:5; Proverbs 28:13; 1 John 1:8-9.
- 5. What's it like to be around someone who never says they're sorry?

- 6. Daniel consistently uses the plural pronoun *we* throughout the prayer. Why does Daniel include himself in this confession?
- 7. How might Daniel's prayer impact your own prayer life? Are there any insights from how he prays or what he prays for that you might express as you spend time talking with God?

Read <u>Daniel 9:20-27</u>.

- 8. Who was Gabriel and what was the point of Daniel's vision?
- 9. How does the good news of Jesus Christ enlighten your understanding of this chapter in Daniel? *See also* <u>2 Corinthians 1:20-22</u>.
- 10. After reading and studying <u>Daniel 9</u>, what message do you think God has for you? How will this chapter apply to your life?

Soul Training

The way we breathe affects everything we do. *Try this*: Take in a deep breath. Hold it for a few seconds. Slowly let it out. Repeat this several times until you can feel your insides slowing down. Ask God to clear your mind and give you thoughts He wants you to have. Listen in silence for Him to speak.

Memory Verse

"For I know the plans I have for you," says the LORD. "They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope."

Jeremiah 29:11 (NLT)

Daily Reading

Day 1: <u>Psalm 32:1-11</u> Day 2: <u>Matthew 24:15-22</u> Day 3: <u>Acts 3:12-26</u> Day 4: <u>Hebrews 1:1-4</u> Day 5: <u>Jeremiah 33:1-9</u>

Prepare for Next Sunday

Next Sunday, March 17, we'll conclude our series in Daniel with a consideration of COMING EVENTS. To prepare, read **Daniel 11:36-12:13**.



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