

GROWTH GUIDE

For you. Your family. Your group.

**DANIEL: SHINING IN THE DARKNESS
PRAYING IN THE DARK | DANIEL 9
FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 5, 2023**

SERMON OUTLINE

1. Remembering who He is.
2. Repeating words He has said.
3. Knowing that He will hear.
4. Enduring until he responds.
5. Trusting what He says.

GROUP DISCUSSION

1. Looking back at the passage and your notes, what was something that you heard for the first time, caught your attention, challenged you, or you have questions about?
2. Give some examples of Scripture that have been helpful for you to pray through, or passages you're familiar with that you think would be good to pray through (but you haven't just yet).
3. What practical things or truths help you to endure in prayer?
4. Is it hard to always believe that God always hears? Why or why not? Why is it important to know that God always hears our prayers?
5. What do we do with a passage like Daniel 9:24-27? What shouldn't we do? Why might have God decided to include this and other very difficult passages in inspired Scripture?

BREAKOUT DISCUSSION

1. How is your 21 days of prayer going so far? What's been helpful, challenging, encouraging, etc. about intentionally doing this?
2. What area of prayer would you like to work on in your life or take that next step of growth in?

PRAYER POINTS

1. Praise God for faithful examples of prayer like Daniel recorded for us in His word.
2. Pray for everyone attempting to pray 21 days straight, for the faithfulness and perseverance to complete the challenge and begin making prayer a habit.
3. Ask God to work and move and answer these prayers not because we are worthy, but because we are called by His great name (v18-19).