

Night Sweats

Daniel Chapter Two

Verse 1 ~ the Dream

Q. In the second year of Nebuchadnezzar's reign what happened?

Note: The phrase "his mind was troubled" literally means, "disturbed or _____; an inward disquietude that manifests itself outwardly."

Note: Please note the plural "dreams." Literally – "He _____ dreams."
The Jewish Publication Society translates it "a dream." Cf. verse 3.

Q. How do we reconcile the singular interpretation with the plural?

A. One dream many times over – an _____ dream.

Verses 2-13 ~ the Dilemma

Q. What did the king decide to do? (vv. 2-3)

A. The king called in everyone that he thought could give him insight into his dream. The common thought was that dreams were an intersection of the _____ and the _____.

Q. What was their response? (v. 4)

A. It was a _____ response. "Tell us the dream and we'll come up with an interpretation." The problem: It was a _____ message.

Note: I Corinthians 2:9-14

Q. What was the king's response? (vv. 5-6)

A. _____, I won't tell you. And, _____ hints. Tell me what I dreamed. If you don't, I'm going to kill you and your entire family. If you do, I'll reward you with all kinds of gifts and honor.

Q. Why do you think the king did this? (vv. 7-9)

A. I have a feeling you guys _____ me in the past, so I'm going to see if you truly do have the supernatural ability to "_____" like you advertise.

Q. If "the heart of the king is in the hand of God" (Prov. 21:1) what was God's purpose in all of this? (vv. 10-11)

A.

1. To establish humanities _____.
2. To establish God's _____ in the affairs of men.
3. To bring glory and an _____ of Himself amid false gods.
4. To bring Daniel into _____; to bring him up front and center.

Q. What was the result of the king's conversation with his court? (vv. 12-13)

A. He was so infuriated that he decided to _____ all the wisemen, which would only leave _____, foolish people in his kingdom.

Verses 14-23 ~ the Deliverance

Q. How did Daniel respond?

A.

1. He didn't _____.
2. He didn't _____.
3. He _____ with wisdom and tact.
4. He went to the _____.
5. He sought an _____.
6. He sought God's _____.

Q. Compare verse 16 with verses 8ff. What is the difference?

A. Daniel was given _____. It shows God's continued _____ upon him and his three friends.

Q. What was Daniel's solution to deliverance? (vv. 17-18)

- A.
1. He didn't go it _____.
 2. They fervently _____ for God's mercy and for revelation.

Q. What was the outcome and Daniel's response to the revelation? (vv. 19-23)

- A.
1. God _____ Daniel and his friend's prayer and _____ positively by giving the revelation of the dream to Daniel.
 2. Daniel praised God by addressing his attributes.
 - a. Wisdom and _____ are his.
 - b. He _____ the times and the seasons.

Note: This is important as we compare this with Daniel 7:25 and the Antichrist who "tries to."

- c. He _____ kings and rises others up.

Note: The Antichrist tries to do the same.

- d. He gives _____ to the wise and _____ to the discerning.
- e. He _____ deep and hidden things; he knows what lies in darkness, and _____ dwells with him.
- f. God of my _____.

g. A God who _____ prayer.

Q. What did Daniel do after the brief moment of worship? (vv. 24-25)

A. 1. Daniel stopped the _____. The revelation _____ everyone involved.

2. Daniel _____ announced his divine ability.

Q. What was the question in verse 26?

Q. What word do you think Daniel will be focusing on?

A. _____

Q. What was Daniel's response? (vv. 27-30).

A.

1. This was a human _____. (v. 27)

2. But there is a God in heaven who _____ mysteries. (v. 28a)

3. The dream is about the _____. (vv. 28b,c; 29)

4. It's not about _____. (v. 30a)

5. It's about _____. (v. 30b)

Q. Compare with verses 10-11. Were they right?

A. _____

The Statue and the Stone:

Describe the statue in general (v. 31)

³¹ "Your Majesty looked, and there before you stood a large _____ - an enormous, dazzling statue, awesome in appearance. (Dan. 2:31 NIV)

Verses 32-33 ~ Draw a line to the appropriate description

Head	Bronze
Chest and Arms	Iron
Belly and Thighs	Gold
Legs	Mixture of clay and iron
Feet	Silver

Q. What happened next? (vv. 34-35)

A.

1. While they were watching, a _____ was cut out but not with _____ hands. (v. 34a)
2. It _____ the statue on its feet of iron and clay, and _____ them. (v. 34b)
3. All of the other elements were _____ and became like _____. (v. 35a)
4. The wind _____ them away without leaving a _____. (v. 35b)
5. The rock became a huge _____ and filled the whole earth. (v. 35c)

The Interpretation:

Q. How do these verses link with verse 28? (vv. 36-38)

A.

1. He acknowledges the _____ of the King. (v. 37a)
2. God is the one who _____ him authority over the world around him. (v. 37b)
 - a. _____
 - b. _____ of the field
 - c. _____ of the air

Q. What will come after him? (v. 39a)

A. ³⁹ "After you, another kingdom will arise, _____ to yours. (Dan. 2:39a NIV)

Q. What metal is it associated with?

A. _____

Q. Describe the 3rd kingdom? (v. 39b)

A. Next, a third kingdom, one of _____, will rule over the whole earth. (Dan. 2:39 NIV)

Q. Describe the 4th kingdom? (v. 40)

A. Finally, there will be a fourth kingdom, strong as iron-- for iron _____ and _____ everything--and as iron breaks things to pieces, so it will crush and break all the others. (Dan. 2:40 NIV)

Q. Is this a 5th kingdom or a continuation of the 4th? Describe it. (vv. 41-43)

A. _____

1. Just as you saw that the feet and toes were partly of baked clay and partly of iron, so this will be a _____ kingdom; yet it will have some of the strength of iron in it, even as you saw iron mixed with clay. (Dan. 2:41 NIV)

2. As the toes were partly iron and partly clay, so this kingdom will be partly _____ and partly _____. (Dan. 2:42 NIV)

3. And just as you saw the iron mixed with baked clay, so the people will be a mixture and will not remain _____, any more than iron mixes with clay. (Dan. 2:43 NIV)

Q. What number kingdom is this? Describe it. (vv. 44)

A. 5th

1. "In the time of those kings, the _____ of heaven will set up a kingdom...

2. It will never be _____...

3. Nor will it be _____ to another people.

4. It will _____ all those kingdoms and bring them to an _____, but it will itself endure forever.

- Q. What is this kingdom associated with? (v. 45a)
- A. This is the meaning of the vision of the _____ cut out of a mountain, but not by human hands-- a rock that broke the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver and the gold to pieces. (Dan. 2:45 NIV)
- Q. What was the result of Daniel interpreting the dream? (vv. 46-49)
- A.
1. Then King Nebuchadnezzar fell prostrate before Daniel and paid him _____ and ordered that an offering and incense be presented to him. (v. 46)
 2. The king said to Daniel, "Surely _____ is the God of gods and the _____ of kings and a _____ of mysteries, for you were able to reveal this mystery." (v. 47)
 3. Then the king placed Daniel in a _____ and _____ many gifts on him. He made him _____ over the entire province of Babylon and placed him in _____ of all its wise men. (v. 48)
 4. Moreover, at Daniel's request the king appointed Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego _____ over the province of Babylon, while Daniel himself remained at the royal court. (Dan. 2:49 NIV)