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Summary

Daniel 10:1-21

In today's passage, we see the well-known account of Daniel's special three-week prayer. Daniel was deeply troubled after hearing about the current state of the Jewish people and the hardships, wars, and tribulations to come. In this despair, what did Daniel do? Verses 2 and 3 tell us that he devoted himself fully to prayer for three weeks. He not only set aside time for prayer but also committed to praying for a specific period of three weeks.

During this time, Daniel experienced the blessings that God gives through prayer. When we dedicate ourselves to prayer and pour out our whole hearts before God, what kind of blessings will He grant us?

### First, We Experience God's Presence

When we wholeheartedly commit to prayer, God comes directly before us and reveals Himself. In his prayer, Daniel encountered a special being. The figure described in verses 5 and 6 closely resembles the image of Jesus in Revelation 1:13-16. In other words, Daniel was blessed to meet Jesus directly in prayer. Verse 7 states that Daniel alone saw this vision.

This is the mystery of spiritual experiences. Such encounters are deeply personal, secretive, and mysterious. No one else can fully understand the profound experience of meeting Jesus personally. If you and I truly desire to meet the living Lord and experience His glorious presence firsthand, we must come before His throne. Long for Him and pray earnestly. When we sincerely desire to meet Him and cry out with all our hearts, the Lord will come and meet with us.

#### Second, We Experience Answered Prayers

When we pray, God always answers. In verses 11-12, we see that from the very first day Daniel began to pray, God's answer was already set in motion. Verse 13 reveals that there were spiritual forces attempting to hinder the answer from reaching Daniel. However, the important truth here is that even when evil spirits try to block our prayers, God will break through every obstacle and bring His answer to us.

For 21 days, nothing seemed to happen. Yet, Daniel did not give up but continued to pray until his appointed time of prayer was complete. Then, at last, God came directly to him, answered his prayer, and provided the response he needed.

Even when we commit ourselves to prayer, sometimes God may not grant exactly what we ask for. However, He always gives us the best. Because He knows our situation better than anyone else, He understands what the best blessing for us is. Therefore, there is only one thing we need to do: trust in God completely and pray persistently until the end.

### Third, We Experience God's Anointing Touch

Throughout today's passage, we see something Daniel experienced multiple times during his prayer. In verses 10-11 and again in verse 18, we read that Jesus touched Daniel, giving him strength to rise up. In the original Hebrew text, this was not merely a casual touch but a laying on of hands—an act of anointing. If we translate it more accurately, it was an anointing prayer.

Anointing prayer carries the power of divine impartation. Jesus, who is fully God, personally placed His hand on Daniel's head or shoulder while Daniel was weary, exhausted, and drained. The moment God's hand rested upon him, the power of God was transferred directly to Daniel. As a result, he was revived and regained his strength.

This is the power of prayer. When we come before God and pray, He lays His hands upon us, and His infinite power flows into our lives, enabling us to stand up again.

## Bīble Memorī -zatīon

## A VERSE FOR THIS WEEK

"Call upon Me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you will glorify Me." (Psalm 50:15)

## Bīble Readīng

3/24(Mon)	3/25(Tue)	3/26(Wed)	3/27(Thur)	3/28(Fri)	3/29(Sat)	3/30(Sun)
Joshua 16-19	Joshua 20-22	Joshua 23-24	Judges 1-3	Judges 4-6	Judges 7-8	Judges 9

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### Quiet Time Passage

3/24(Mon)	3/25(Tue)	3/26(Wed)	3/27(Thur)	3/28(Fri)	3/29(Sat)	3/30(Sun)
Numbers 4:21-33	Numbers 4:34-49	Numbers 5:1-10	Numbers 5:11-31	Numbers 6:1-12	Numbers 6:13-27	Numbers 7:1-9

# Sharīng Questī*o*ns

1. Share any experiences of God's grace in your life from last week's sermon or personal devotions.

2. What new insights or blessings have you received from today's message?

3. Commit to a dedicated time of prayer and share your expectations of God's grace. Pray for one another.