

Community group questions
Daniel 2:1-18

Opening question: Have you ever had a dream that prompted you to action when you woke up?

Scripture study:

- Read Daniel 2:1-6. Make some observations about these verses. What insight does verse 29 give us about what is going on? What are the deeper questions of life that all people must wrestle with? What are some matters that can cause sleeplessness for you? What do you do when you can't sleep due to a troubled mind?

- Read Daniel 2:7-12. What is it about the king's request that is unusual? From these verses, what do we learn about king Nebuchadnezzar? What can we learn from the king's response? What are some principles to learn from these verses about anger: Proverbs 14:17; 15:1, 18; 19:19; Ephesians 4:26-27; James 1:19-20?

- Read Daniel 2:13-18. What are some things that stick out to you about these verses? How does Daniel handle this crisis? What can you learn here about Daniel's handling of this situation for the times in which we live? How does Daniel hope to get out of this impossible situation? What is too difficult for you right now that needs God to act?

- One final application: Daniel knew that to kneel before God in prayer meant that he could stand before any man (or situation). What do you need prayer for to help you stand fearlessly before someone else or some situation?