

Community group questions  
Daniel chapter 8

Opening question: Share one of the longest times you have been in a car. What was challenging about it? What did you enjoy about it?

Scripture study:

- Read Daniel 8:1-7 & 19-21. What is true about both the ram and the goat? Of the four kingdoms to come, what two kingdoms are the focus of Daniel's vision here in chapter 8? What is the significance of the timing of this vision (see also 5:30)? What encouragement is there for us as we think about the future?
- Read Daniel 8:8-12 & 22-25. Who is this likely referring to? What are some evil things that this ruler does? What do we know of the Israelites after returning to the land (see Nehemiah 13:23-29 & Malachi 2:1-9)? How is this a reminder to be steadfast in our walk with the Lord? Why must we continually choose this day whom we will serve and what is at odds with that choice?
- Read Daniel 8:13-14. What does God let Daniel in on? How might this be an encouragement? Share a time when you received that "postcard from the Lord." What does the angel's answer tell us about suffering? Also read 1 Peter 1:3-9 & 2 Corinthians 4:16-18 for further words of hope midst suffering.
- Read Daniel 8:26-27. What are some observations about these verses? How does this speak to our response to prophecy? Where has God placed you to make a difference while you wait for His return?