

# The Book of Daniel Bible Study Lesson 4

## Daniel 2:1-16 Questions

### Man's Wisdom Versus God's Wisdom

Pray for the Lord to guide you through this study time.

Read Daniel 2:1-16

King Nebuchadnezzar is an overseer of a very large kingdom, Babylon. God gives everyone in this life different portions of responsibility and oversight to be productive in our personal lives within God's kingdom. How can we relate to this man who had much on his platter to care for?

1. How did King Nebuchadnezzar react to a crisis, and what do you think promoted his response?

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2. When you're faced with a crisis in your own personal daily life, what is your first response? What motivates your response?

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3. Read Luke 12:16-32. What wisdom does Jesus give in these Scriptures?

a. Luke 12:21 \_\_\_\_\_

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b. Luke 12:22-23 \_\_\_\_\_

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c. Luke 12:25 \_\_\_\_\_

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d. Luke 12:28 \_\_\_\_\_

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e. Luke 12:29-30 \_\_\_\_\_

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f. Luke 12:31 \_\_\_\_\_  
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g. Luke 12:32 \_\_\_\_\_  
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4. Write down in your own words what Jesus meant when He said, “your Father has chosen GLADLY to give you the kingdom.” Look at the following Scriptures also: Matthew 4:8-11; John 18:36-38; Colossians 1:13-14; Ephesians 1:5-9; Revelation 1:5-6

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5. To whom did King Nebuchadnezzar first seek wisdom from?

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6. What was their response to the King? Did their response reveal any belief in a higher deity? Explain.

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7. Who/what were these wise men and King Nebuchadnezzar dependent on? Who/what did they put their trust in?

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8. Re-read Daniel 2:1-16. Make a list of where you can see God’s sovereign hand at work in the midst of a pagan kingdom and ruler?

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9. When we look at our personal daily lives around us, what would be God's most perfect plan in: making decisions, facing crisis, our place of ownership, expectations, and entitlement? 1 Corinthians 3:18-23, 6:19-20; James 4:13-17; 1 Peter 4:11

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10. Every day we are thinking, discerning, reacting to everything God has ordained and planned out for us. How do you know if the wisdom and insight we use is from God, or of our own logic, or from the world's wisdom/logic? What tools has God given us as believers and heirs of His Eternal Kingdom to be dependent on for His guidance of Truth?

a. Psalm 119:97-106; John 14:26

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b. Acts 2:41-47; Ephesians 4:10-16

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c. 1 Timothy 4:6-10; 2 Timothy 3:10-17; Philippians 2:19-22

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e. Hebrews 1:1-3; 1 Peter 1:20-23

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11. How will knowledge of God's wisdom, authority, power, and sovereignty change how you view your next crisis and serving daily for Him, His glory, and His kingdom?

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12. Extra Challenge (From “The Rise and Fall of the World” by John MacArthur pg.17):  
Do you personally know people who consult mediums and horoscopes to gain direction for their lives? Have you offered them the Word of God as the most trustworthy guide for living? Make a brief study and write down what you find of the following passages to learn what you might share with them that might help you lead them away from their dependence upon the occult to faith in God:

Occultic practices condemned by the God:

Exodus 22:18

Leviticus 19:26, 31; 20:6

Deuteronomy 18:10-12

Galatians 5:19-21

Revelation 22:15

Able to distract from divine truth and authority:

1 Samuel 15:23

Isaiah 8:19-20

Demonically influenced:

Acts 16:16-18

Impotent before God:

Isaiah 44:24-25

Acts 16:18

Associated with false prophets:

Jeremiah 27:9-10

Carry serious consequences:

1 Chronicles 10:13-14

2 Chronicles 33:6, 9-11

Some passages that might help direct them toward faith in God are:

Deuteronomy 29:29

Isaiah 46:9-10; 55:6-8

John 8:12; 16:13