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Daniel Part 8 - Confession Sunday, July 24th, 2016

Daniel 9 NIV

Daniel's Prayer

9 In the first year of Darius son of Xerxes^[a] (a Mede by descent), who was made ruler over the Babylonian^[b] kingdom—² in the first year of his reign, ***I, Daniel, understood from the Scriptures, according to the word of the LORD given to Jeremiah the prophet***, that the desolation of Jerusalem would last seventy years. ³ ***So I turned to the Lord God and pleaded with him in prayer and petition, in fasting, and in sackcloth and ashes.***

⁴ I prayed to the LORD my God and confessed:

“Lord, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments, ⁵ ***we have sinned and done wrong. We have been wicked and have rebelled; we have turned away from your commands and laws.***

⁶ ***We have not listened to your servants the prophets***, who spoke in your name to our kings, our princes and our ancestors, and to all the people of the land.

⁷ “Lord, you are righteous, but this day ***we are covered with shame***—the people of Judah and the inhabitants of Jerusalem and all Israel, both near and far, in all the countries where you have scattered us because of our unfaithfulness to you. ⁸ ***We and our kings, our princes and our ancestors*** are covered with shame, LORD, because ***we have sinned against you.*** ⁹ The Lord our God is merciful and forgiving, even though ***we have rebelled*** against him; ¹⁰ ***we have not obeyed*** the LORD our God or kept the laws he gave us through his servants the prophets. ¹¹ ***All Israel has transgressed your law*** and turned away, refusing to obey you.

“Therefore the curses and sworn judgments written in the Law of Moses, the servant of God, have been poured out on us, because ***we have sinned against you.*** ¹² You have fulfilled the words spoken against us and against our rulers by bringing on us great disaster. Under the whole heaven nothing has ever been done like what has been done to Jerusalem. ¹³ Just as it is written in the Law of Moses, all this disaster has come on us, ***yet we have not sought the favor*** of the LORD our God by turning from our sins and giving attention to your truth. ¹⁴ The LORD did not hesitate to bring the disaster on us, for the LORD our God is righteous in everything he does; yet ***we have not obeyed*** him.

¹⁵ “Now, Lord our God, who brought your people out of Egypt with a mighty hand and who made for yourself a name that endures to this day, ***we have sinned, we have done wrong.*** ¹⁶ Lord, in keeping with all your righteous acts, turn away your anger and your wrath from Jerusalem, your city, your holy hill. ***Our sins and the iniquities*** of our ancestors have made Jerusalem and your people an object of scorn to all those around us.

¹⁷ “Now, our God, ***hear the prayers and petitions of your servant.*** For your sake, Lord, look with favor on your desolate sanctuary.

¹⁸ Give ear, our God, and hear; open your eyes and see the desolation of the city that bears your Name. We do not make requests of you because we are righteous, ***but because of your great mercy.*** ¹⁹ Lord, listen! Lord, forgive! Lord, hear and act! For your sake, my God, do not delay, because your city and your people bear your Name.”

The Seventy “Sevens”

²⁰ While I was speaking and praying, ***confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel and making my request to the LORD my God for his holy hill***—²¹ while I was still in prayer, Gabriel, the man I had seen in the earlier vision, came to me in swift flight about the time of the evening sacrifice. ²² He instructed me and said to me, “Daniel, I have now come to give you insight and understanding.

²³ ***As soon as you began to pray, a word went out, which I have come to tell you, for you are highly esteemed.*** Therefore, consider the word and understand the vision:

²⁴ “Seventy ‘sevens’^[c] are decreed for your people and your holy city to finish^[d] transgression, to put an end to sin, to atone for wickedness, to bring in everlasting righteousness, to seal up vision and prophecy and to anoint the Most Holy Place.^[e]

²⁵ “Know and understand this: From the time the word goes out to restore and rebuild Jerusalem until the Anointed One,^[f] the ruler, comes, there will be seven ‘sevens,’ and sixty-two ‘sevens.’ It will be rebuilt with streets and a trench, but in times of trouble.

²⁶ After the sixty-two ‘sevens,’ the Anointed One will be put to death and will have nothing.^[g] The people of the ruler who will come will destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end will come like a flood: War will continue until the end, and desolations have been decreed. ²⁷ He will confirm a covenant with many for one ‘seven.’^[h] In the middle of the ‘seven’^[i] he will put an end to sacrifice and offering. And at the temple^[j] he will set up an abomination that causes desolation, until the end that is decreed is poured out on him.^{[k], [l]}

2 Chronicles 7:13-15 NIV When I shut up the heavens so that there is no rain, or command locusts to devour the land or send a plague among my people, ¹⁴ if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land. ¹⁵ Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place.

Confession Begins with an understanding of truth

- Daniel turned to the Lord and pleaded with Him – 9:3
- Prayer, Petition, Sackcloth & Ashes
- Daniel prayed & confessed – 9:20

The Collective We

- Daniel was a Jewish prophet
- Today as believers we are members of the body of Christ with a function that wasn't chosen by us. What we do or don't do affects others. – 1 Corinthians 12

Confession: The Why & How...

Luke 18:9-14 – Parable of the Pharisee & the Tax Collector

Matthew 6:12 NIV “And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.” – The Lord's Prayer

1 John 1:8-10 NIV If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. ⁹ **If we** confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and **purify us** from all unrighteousness. ¹⁰ If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word is not in us.

James 4:1-10 NIV What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from **your desires that battle within you?** ² You desire but do not have, so you kill. You covet but you cannot get what you want, so you quarrel and fight. You do not have because you do not ask God. ³ When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures. ⁴ You adulterous people, don't you know that friendship with the world means enmity against God? Therefore, anyone who chooses to be a friend of the world becomes an enemy of God. ⁵ Or do you think Scripture says without reason that he jealously longs for the spirit he has caused to dwell in us? ⁶ But **he gives us more grace**. That is why Scripture says: “God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble.”

⁷ Submit yourselves, then, to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you. ⁸ Come near to God and he will come near to you. Wash your hands, you sinners, and purify your hearts, you double-minded. ⁹ **Grieve, mourn and wail**. Change your laughter to mourning and your joy to gloom. ¹⁰ **Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.**

James 5:13-20 NIV ¹³ Is anyone among you in **trouble? Let them pray**. Is anyone **happy? Let them sing songs of praise**. ¹⁴ Is anyone among you **sick? Let them call the elders of the church to pray** over them and anoint them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ And the prayer offered in faith will make the sick person well; the Lord will raise them up. If they have sinned, they will be forgiven.

¹⁶ **Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed.** The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective.

¹⁷ Elijah was a human being, even as we are. He **prayed earnestly** that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. ¹⁸ Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops.

¹⁹ My brothers and sisters, if one of you should wander from the truth and someone should bring that person back, ²⁰ remember this: **Whoever turns a sinner from the error of their way** will save them from death and cover over a multitude of sins.

Salvation Prayer (to ask God to forgive your sins and adopt you as His child):

“Lord Jesus, I need You. Thank You dying on the cross and taking the punishment for my sins. I open the door of my life to you and receive You as my Lord and Saviour. Thank You for forgiving my sin and for giving me eternal life. I ask that You lead me, teach me and fill me with the Holy Spirit. Lord, transform me into a person who represents you well, in Jesus name I ask, amen.”

Giving \$ to God at Hope CCC: Donations/Tithes/Offerings

1. **Giving Envelopes** (located on the chairs) are to be placed in one of the two **collection boxes on the wall**.
 - A year's box of giving/tithing envelopes are available from our Envelope Secretary - Paul Corriveau.
2. **Monthly Withdrawal - Pre Authorized Remittance**. Registration forms beside the collection boxes.
3. **Online Giving** can be done on our website through Canada Helps.
4. **Text-2-Give** using your phone by texting **705-910-0962**. You can use Visa-Debit or a major credit card.
5. Cheques can be **Mailed** to the church.

Announcements: www.hopecommunitysite.com 705-812-2833

Small Group Bible Studies: Contact **Craig Basaraba** for current groups or to start a group... 705-323-2628 & basarabac@yahoo.ca

Morning Prayer Monday to Friday 9 to 10 am at the church

Mom's Hangout – A time for Moms and kid's to hang out and get to know each other.

- During the summer months, meet up events will take place at area parks. Contact Barb Barton for more information 705-330-1451

Good Food Box – Fresh Fruit and Vegetables... Small box \$10, Large box \$15 ordered from and delivered to the church

- **Orders on the first Monday** of each month from 3-6 pm and **pick up on the third Tuesday** of each month from 3-6 pm.

Summer Bible Study – Wednesday Nights, 7 pm from July 6th to August 3rd

- Bring your Bible, a pen and a notebook as we study God's Word together
- There will be time set aside for question answer

Save the Date!: Kid's Church Ministry Night – Tuesday, August 23rd 7:00 pm

- For all existing Sunday morning Children's volunteers and for those interested in helping out