

# Daniel 10

## Study Guide

Read Daniel chapter 8 in its entirety, and then reread it answering the following questions.

Remember to incorporate the 3 C's & 5 W's

(Content, Context, Cross-reference)

Who, What, Where, When, Why)

Additionally, as you read, note where God's influence is evident.

### **Read verses 1-14:**

When and where does this revelation take place?

Context: Daniel does not directly mention why he was mourning. Around this time, the Passover was being celebrated for the first time in Jerusalem since the destruction of the temple that took place in 586 BC 50 years earlier. Daniel was not able to attend. There are several possibilities that he was upset because the temple had not even been rebuilt. Another reason that may have contributed to his sadness was that he was much older and probably feared that he would not make the journey there and back. Another reason may be that the Jews who had returned to Jerusalem and rebuild the temple rejected the Samaritan's offer to help rebuild the temple. The Samaritan's then made it difficult for the Jewish believers to rebuild the temple. See Ezra 4.

How does God affirm Daniel in these passages?

In verse 13, how was God's representative blocked from doing to see Daniel, and who came in to help relieve the situation?

Scholars believe that there is a Jewish tradition where each nation has an angel assigned to them (as well as individuals and churches). See Mt. 18:10, Acts 12:15, Gen 48:16, Deut. 32:8.

### **Read verses chapter 10:15 to chapter 11:1**

Was Daniel initially able to respond in verse 15?

How does God's representative encourage Daniel in verses 15-19?

How many times is Daniel touched? What does this reveal about God's character?

In verse 20, the angel implies that Daniel is caught in the middle of a conflict? Who are the players in this conflict? How long is the angel going to stay with Daniel, and where is it headed after?

As you read and reflect, what questions come to mind about the overall text and what is happening? Does this passage reflect something that is happening beyond chapter 10?

1. Have you ever experienced something that could be considered spiritual warfare?
2. What areas of your could potentially have a negative influence in your life?
3. What steps can you take to minimize, or cut those negative influences out of your life?
4. What is something new that you did not know about Daniel or God that you have taken from this chapter?