

Lesson 3 – Daniel 2:14-30, 46-49
“A True Wise Man”

Now we are given an amazing contrast between the Babylonian wise men and a true wise man.

1. **Read v14-15:** A true wise man operates with _____ (deliberation or consultation) and _____ (taste and discretion) and not _____ (fast and typically superficial; prone to anger).

2. **Read v16:** A true wise man is _____ by those he _____ (unlike the king’s wise men in v8-9).

3. **Read v17:** A true wise man seeks the _____ of other _____ men.

a. **Leviticus 26:8** – “And five of you shall chase an hundred, and an hundred of you shall put ten thousand to flight: and your enemies shall fall before you by the sword.”

b. **Matt 18:20** – “For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.”

c. **James 5:14** - “Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him,”

4. **Read v18:**

a. A true wise man invokes the power of _____.

James 5:16-18 – “Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. Elias was a man subject to like passions as we are, and he prayed earnestly that it might not rain: and it rained not on the earth by the space of three years and six months. And he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth her fruit.” (Elijah’s dealings with Ahab in 1 Kings 17)

b. A true wise man casts his _____ upon the _____.

1 Peter 5:6-7 – “Humble yourselves therefore under the mighty hand of God, that he may exalt you in due time: Casting all your care upon him; for he careth for you.”

c. A true wise man seeks the _____ of God.

Heb 4:16 – “Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.”

d. A true wise man lays his _____ at the feet of the _____.

1 John 5:14-15 – “And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us: And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.”

e. **A true wise man believes in the power of _____.**

Matt 21:22 – “And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive.”

5. **Read v19: A true wise man receives his _____ only from ____.**

6. **Read v20-23: A true wise man privately _____ and _____ God and always gives God the _____ and _____. (Daniel’s prayer of praise and thanksgiving:)**

a. Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: **He is _____.**

b. For wisdom and might are his: **He is all _____ and all _____.**

1 Cor 1:25 – “Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men; and the weakness of God is stronger than men.”

c. He changeth the times and the seasons: **He controls _____.**

Jer 5:22-24 – “Fear ye not me? saith the Lord: will ye not tremble at my presence, which have placed the sand for the bound of the sea by a perpetual decree, that it cannot pass it: and though the waves thereof toss themselves, yet can they not prevail; though they roar, yet can they not pass over it? But this people hath a revolting and a rebellious heart; they are revolted and gone. Neither say they in their heart, Let us now fear the Lord our God, that giveth rain, both the former and the latter, in his season: he reserveth unto us the appointed weeks of the harvest.”

d. He removeth kings, and setteth up kings: **He establishes _____ and _____.**

Rom 13:1 – “Let every soul be subject unto the higher powers. For there is no power but of God: the powers that be are ordained of God.”

e. He giveth wisdom unto the wise, and knowledge to them that know understanding: **He is the giver of _____ and _____.**

Prov 2:6-7 – “For the Lord giveth wisdom: out of his mouth cometh knowledge and understanding. He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: he is a buckler to them that walk uprightly.”

f. He revealeth the deep and secret things: **He is the revealer of the _____ of the world.**

g. He knoweth what is in the darkness, and the light dwelleth with him. **Nothing can be _____ from Him.**

1) **1 Chron 28:9** – “And thou, Solomon my son, know thou the God of thy father, and serve him with a perfect heart and with a willing mind: for the Lord searcheth all hearts, and understandeth all the imaginations of the thoughts: if thou seek him, he will be found of thee; but if thou forsake him, he will cast thee off for ever.”

2) **Heb 4:13** – “Neither is there any creature that is not manifest in his sight: but all things are naked and opened unto the eyes of him with whom we have to do.”

3) **Jer 23:24** – “Can any hide himself in secret places that I shall not see him? saith the Lord. Do not I fill heaven and earth? saith the Lord.”

7. Read v24: A true wise man has _____ and _____ on others.

a. **Matt 5:7** – “Blessed are the merciful: for they shall obtain mercy.”

b. **Matt 5:44,47** – “But I say unto you, Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, do good to them that hate you, and pray for them which despitefully use you, and persecute you; ... And if ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others? do not even the publicans so?”

c. **Luke 6:37-38** – “Judge not, and ye shall not be judged: condemn not, and ye shall not be condemned: forgive, and ye shall be forgiven: Give, and it shall be given unto you...”

8. Read v25-29: A true wise man _____ proclaims that:

a. A true wise man is not _____ - _____, but _____ - _____.

b. The _____ of the _____ are revealed by the God in heaven.

c. The God in heaven not only knows the _____ but He also _____ it.

9. Read v30: A true wise man is simply a _____ messenger with _____ motives.

10. Read v46-47: A true wise man enables others to see the _____.

11. Read v48: A true wise man is _____, _____ for, and _____ of by God.

12. Read v49: A true wise man remembers to _____ of those in _____ service with him.