

Daniel and the King's Dream

Daniel 2

"Where is Daniel?" The captain of the guard is looking for Daniel and his three friends. Daniel must be killed. All the king's wise men must be killed. The king has ordered it. But why?!

King Nebudchednezzar is very angry with his wise men. He had a dream at night when he was sleeping, but when he woke up, he couldn't remember the dream.

"Tell me what my dream means!" he said to the wise men, but they could not. "Then you all must die!" said the angry king. And so the soldiers have come looking for Daniel, and his three friends, too.

But Daniel knows someone who can tell him the king's dream.

"Please, give me some time," Daniel says to the king...and then he goes home to pray. He and his friends will ask the Lord God of heaven to show Daniel the king's dream.

That night the Lord does show Daniel the dream, and what it means. How thankful Daniel is! Hear him praise the Lord: "Blessed be the name of God forever and ever: for wisdom and might are his."

Morning comes and the captain of the guard hurries with Daniel to the king.



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"Are you able to tell me my dream and what it means?" the king asks Daniel.

"There is a God in heaven that shows secrets," Daniel tells the king. "He is telling you what will happen."

Daniel tells the king about the great image that he saw in his dream. He tells about the stone that came rolling down the mountain and smashed the image to pieces. And Daniel tells

how the stone grew bigger and bigger until it filled the whole earth.

Yes, yes! Now the king remembers his dream. But what does it mean?

Daniel also explains this. "You are the gold head on the image," he tells the king. "God has given you a kingdom, power, strength, and glory. After you, will come another kingdom, then a third, and then a fourth. At last the God of heaven will set up a



kingdom which shall never be destroyed. This was the stone that you saw roll down the mountain. God's kingdom shall break in pieces all the other kingdoms and stand forever."

The king can tell that Daniel is speaking the truth. "Truly your God is a God of gods and a Lord of kings," he says. "Daniel, I make you the ruler over all of Babylon and the chief governor of all my wise men."

The king also makes Daniel's three friends rulers in the province. And so the four friends are safe, for now.

1. Why was the king angry with his wise men? Because they couldn't tell him his _____.
2. Daniel didn't know the dream either, but who did he ask to help him? (Who did he pray to?)
3. In his dream, the king saw a big image. Daniel said the king was the gold _____ on the image.
4. What came rolling down the mountain and smashed the image?
5. This Rock grew bigger until it filled the whole earth. Who will one day rule the whole earth? One day every single person will come before this King: even the people who hate Jesus. Read Romans 14:10-12 and tell what all people will do then.