Dare To Be A Daniel

Wednesday, September 14

1. We can Stand because God blesses Character (Chapter 1)

Daniel was a statesman in a pagan society for almost 70 years

- A. Daniel is not listed among the Prophets in the Hebrew Bible
- B. Daniel was a godly example on a secular job (Ezekiel 14:14.

2. We can Stand because God is in Control (Chapters 2-7)

These chapters were written in Aramaic or the language of the Gentiles. Daniel lived at the beginning of "the times of the Gentiles" (Luke 21:24) when Gentile nations rule over God's chosen people. The times of the Gentiles run from Nebuchadnezzar to the Second of Christ in Revelation 19.

- A. The Gentile nations as seen by man (A great idol) Chapters 2-6
 - 1. God raised us Babylon, Medes/Persians, Greece, and Rome (Chapter 2)
 - 2. God put down the proud (Chapters 3-6)
- B. The Gentile nations as seen by God (Beasts) Chapter 7

3. We can Stand because God has revealed the Future (Chapters 8-12)

These chapters were written in Hebrew or the language of God's people.

- A. We stand by reading God's Word and praying (chapter 9)
- B. We stand against spiritual wickedness in high places (chapter 10)
- C. We stand knowing God will conquer our enemies (chapters 11-12)
 - 1. The Antichrist will lead a Western Confederacy often nations (ten toes or horns)
 - 2. The Antichrist will conquer the Southern Confederacy (11:40-43)
 - 3. The Antichrist will not conquer the Northern Confederacy (11:40). God will as described in Ezekiel 38-39.
 - 4. The Antichrist and the Eastern Confederacy will be destroyed by Christ as the Second coming (11:44-45)
- D. We stand knowing blessings are in the future (12)