



Two: A Vision of Kingdoms

“Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might” (Dan. 2:20).

OUTLINE 1 - VISIONS

- 1-6 - Other's visions
- 7-12 - Daniel's vision

OUTLINE 2 - LANGUAGES

- 1 - The Exile Begins
- 2 - Neb.'s vision of kingdoms
- 3 - Friends persecuted
- 4 - God humbles Neb.
- 5 - God humbles Bel.
- 6 - Daniel persecuted
- 7 - Daniel's vision of kingdoms
- 8 - Daniel's 2nd vision
- 9 - Daniel's prayer
- 10-12 - Daniel's 3rd vision

Introduction:

It is in this chapter that the book shifts from Hebrew to Aramaic (in verse 4).

Try to put yourself in Nebuchadnezzar's shoes. How would you have felt to receive this vision, and what would you have thought about Daniel's interpretation?

Daniel 2:1-11 - The Impossible Assignment

1. Summarize the assignment that Nebuchadnezzar gave to the wise men. Why would he ask them to do this?
2. How is verse 10 important to the rest of the chapter?

Daniel 2:12-16 - Daniel's Request

3. What stands out to you about this paragraph?

‘The sentence is by the decree of the watchers, the decision by the word of the holy ones, to the end that the living may know that **the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will** and sets over it the lowliest of men.’

Daniel 4:17

Daniel 2:17-23 - Daniel's Prayer

4. What did Daniel and his friends do in this paragraph?
5. How was God described in verse 18?

Daniel 2:24-30 - Daniel Before Nebuchadnezzar

6. What do you think about Arioch's introduction of Daniel in verse 25?
7. Who does Daniel credit with the revelation of the dream? Remember verse 10.

Daniel 2:31-45 - Nebuchadnezzar's Dream

8. What stands out the most to you from these verses?

Daniel 2:46-49 - Daniel's Promotion

9. How did Nebuchadnezzar respond to the interpretation?

Application:

How should this chapter affect you during the volatility of history and politics?