## "Daniel's Final Vision: Spiritual Conflicts Above and Below!"

## (Daniel 10:1-21)

- I. Introduction:
  - A. The <u>world</u> at war
    - The definition
    - The duration
    - The devastation
  - B. The <u>invisible</u> war
    - Ephesians 6:12
    - Job
    - 2 Corinthians 10:3-5

## II. Exposition: Daniel's Vision by the Tigris River (Daniel 10:1-21)

- A. The <u>Setting</u> (vv. 1-3)
  - 1. Historically
  - 2. Personally
    - Emotionally
    - Spiritually
- B. The <u>Vision</u> (vv. 4-9)
  - 1. The location
  - 2. The messenger
    - His attire
    - His appearance
      - Revelation 1:13-15
    - His effect on others
      - Acts 9:7
    - His effect on Daniel
    - Revelation 1:17
- C. The Interaction (vv. 10-21)
  - 1. Daniel touched
    - Set trembling
    - On hands and knees

- 2. Daniel's esteem
  - Understand the words
  - Stand upright
- 3. Daniel's prayer
  - Heard and answered
  - Opposed and delayed
  - Helped and succeeded
- 4. Daniel's people
  - Understanding provided
  - Future explained
- 5. Daniel's response
  - Speechless
  - Anguish
  - No strength
- 6. Daniel strengthened
  - The messenger's battle
  - The messenger's ally Michael
- III. Conclusion: 2 Kings 6:8-17 (1 John 4:4)

## Questions to reflect on individually and discuss in Small Groups:

- 1. What stuck out to you from the message? (What's your keeper?)
- 2. What can we learn from Daniel's example of being emotionally and spiritually engaged in the life and welfare of his people?
- 3. Of the three options presented for the identity of the messenger, which one seems best to you and why?
- 4. What does this passage teach us about the supernatural realm and the influence that it has on nations and individuals? What does this teach you about the spiritual battle that we as believers face?
- 5. What stuck out to you from the conclusion?
- 6. Finish this sentence with the primary thing that God is leading you to do: "In light of these passages and this discussion, I will ..." (What is your action point?)