

DANIEL'S PETITION TO GOD FOR HIS PEOPLE
(Daniel 9:1-19)

I. The Context (9:1-2) – cf Jeremiah 25:1-13; 29:1-20)

II. The Petition to God (9:3-19)

1. Daniel went to the Lord to make _____ via _____ & supplication, with fasting, sackcloth & ashes!

- What was the *significance* of the “fasting, sackcloth, & ashes”?

Examples of this:

2. The *specifics* of his prayer included 3 things: _____, _____, & _____.

a. **Adoration & Praise:**

1) his prayer was directed to the _____ & was _____ in nature... “to the Lord _____ God”

2) his prayer emphasized the _____ & _____ of who God is.

3) his prayer emphasized the _____ of God's word.

- What 2 attributes does this speak of?

4) his prayer remembered God's _____ toward those who love & _____ His word

b. **Confession & Honesty:**

1) his prayer included _____ (9:5)

- Why is this needed when one “sins” in their Christian life?

2) his prayer openly stated that Israel had _____ (missed the mark) & committed _____ (transgression) against the Lord.

3) his prayer _____ that Israel had done wickedly, & rebelled by _____ from the Lord & His ways

- What is *wrong* with idol worship? (Psalm 115:3-12)

4) his prayer stated that Israel had not _____ the words of the _____ God has sent to warn & correct them in life.

5) his prayer *contrasted* God's _____ with Israel's _____. (9:7)

6) his prayer *reminded* God of His _____ & _____ even though they had rebelled against God's Word.

7) his prayer stated that all Israel was _____ of transgressing God's word as revealed in the Law of Moses.

* The *purpose* of Daniel's prayer & confession to God was that of _____ & _____ of the nation to their land... "*that we might _____ from our iniquities & _____ your truth.*" (9:13)

- *Where* is God's truth found?

c. *His Petition or Requests- they are two:*

1) Let your anger & fury be _____ from us (9:16-18)

2) _____ on our behalf & for _____ sake (9:19)

- What was the *basis* of his petition?

a) It was not based on their _____ of any kind (9:18b)

b) It was based on God's great _____ & for His _____. (9:18c-19)

* What does all this mean to you today?