

## A Prayer From Brokenness to Restoration

Daniel 9:13-19

Daniel: God's Sovereign Rule over Human History,  
part 25

- How do you pray & turn to God when there is great brokenness in your life and when you need a miraculous restoration? Daniel trail-blazes a path to God's throne with a repentant heart. Learn the language of confession Daniel practiced:
  - We have **sinned**, (v.5,8,11,15): we have missed the mark.
  - We have **committed iniquity**, v.5,13,16: we have twisted and distorted God's straight path.
  - We have **done wickedly** (v.5,15): we are guilty and worthy to be condemned.
  - We have **rebelled** v.5,9: in disloyalty we have defied God's authority.
  - We have **departed** (v.5,11): we have turned aside from His written & spoken Word.
  - We have been **disobedient to God's voice**, v.6, 10, 11, 14, 17-19: "Hearken= Obey= Hear:" if we don't obey, we have not truly heard.
  - We are **humiliated**, v.7,8: we are disgraced by our disobedience.
  - We have **trespassed**, v.7: we have consciously & treacherously broken our contract with God and then aggravated the crime by covering it up,
  - We have **transgressed**, v.11: the movement of one thing in relation to a stationary object.
  - We have **not turned from our iniquity back to God's truth**, v.13: we have traded God's truth for perversity.
- After a lengthy introduction in his prayer by confessing his sins, Daniel now gets to his request: for God's restoration of the sanctuary in Jerusalem and a reversal

of the desolations that had come on God's holy temple. He takes **three steps** from his broken situation and asks God to bring miraculous restoration:

1. Step #1: \_\_\_\_\_, v.15
  - A. He confesses God's \_\_\_\_\_, v.15a
    - Move Your mighty hand, O God, for Your mighty Name!
  - B. He confesses his own \_\_\_\_\_, v.15b
    - 1.) Confessing sin is not meant to \_\_\_\_\_ but to \_\_\_\_\_ from the power of sin.
    - 2.) When confessing sin, do not \_\_\_\_\_ and do not \_\_\_\_\_.
    - 3.) Realize confession of sin puts you on a platform to \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Step #2: \_\_\_\_\_, v.16
  - Daniel has the heart described by David: a humble and contrite heart that God will not despise. God did exactly what He said He would do, and He was right to do it.
    - With a contrite heart, Daniel:
      - A. Asks God to turn from \_\_\_\_\_, v.16a
      - B. Takes responsibility for their \_\_\_\_\_, v.16b

3. Step #3: \_\_\_\_\_ v.17-19

Isaiah 45:11; Thus saith the LORD the Holy One of Israel, and his Maker, Ask me of things to come concerning my sons, and concerning the work of my hands command ye me.

- Here is “Daniel’s Shama” (Hear), as he commands God at least five times:

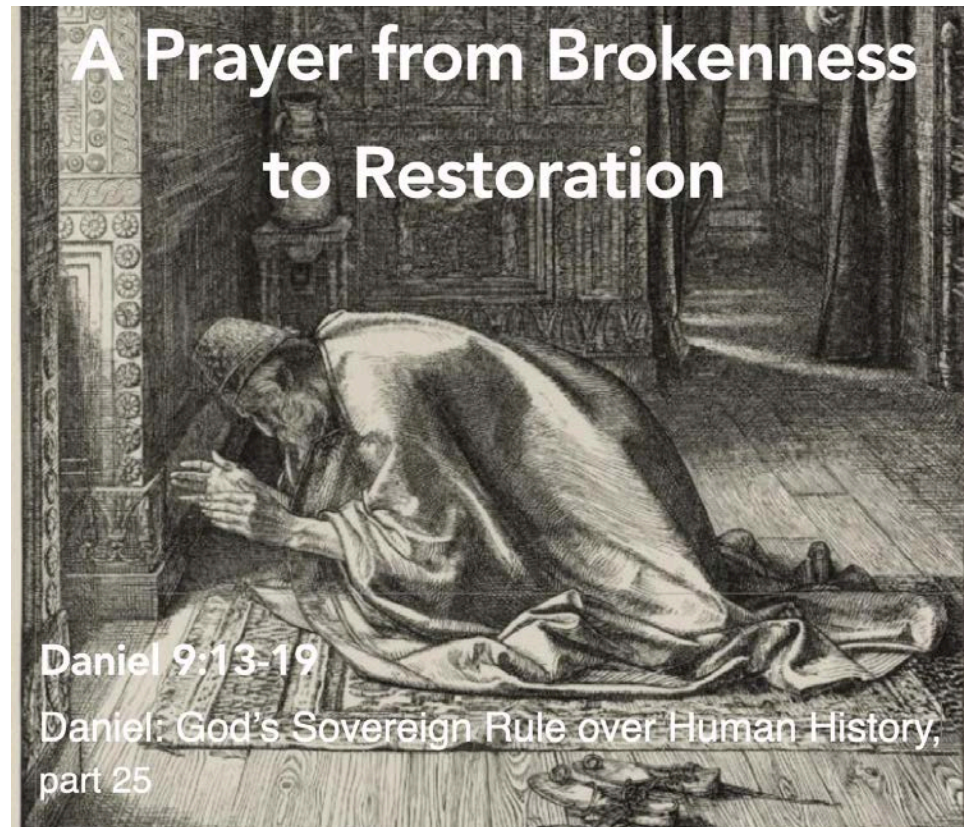
A. Hear and \_\_\_\_\_, for Your Name; v.17

Psalm 31:16; Make thy face to shine upon thy servant: save me for thy mercies' sake. (Psalm 80:3)

B. Hear and \_\_\_\_\_, for Your mercies, v.18

Psalm 61:1; Hear my cry, O God; attend unto my prayer.

C. Hear and \_\_\_\_\_, for Your glory, v.19



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