

Daniel
Gail Arterburn – 2025

Monday, 9:30 – 11:00 am
To be discussed –06/30/25

Daniel – Lesson 1
Daniel 1:1-21

1. Read Daniel 1:1-2, 2 Chr.36:5-23, Hab. 1:1-11. Why did Jerusalem fall to Nebuchadnezzar and the Babylonians?
2. Read Daniel 1:3-16. Why were Daniel and his three friends chosen? How were they trained? For what purpose?
3. What lay behind Daniel's resolve to avoid defilement? What was his motive? (Lev. 20:24-26) Considering his situation, was he making a big issue out of a minor problem?
4. How did Daniel resolve the situation? What Christian qualities did he display in his approach to authority? What can you learn from his attitude and actions about how to respond when your biblical values are challenged?
5. Daniel was probably 15-16 years old when he was taken to Babylon. What vital education had he received in Jerusalem before his capture? What does this say to us today about the need for Christian education? Would our children fare as well?
6. How was Daniel an example of the truth found in Matt. 6:33 and Romans 12:1-2? Why did Daniel succeed?
7. Read Daniel 1:17-21. How did God bless Daniel and his friends?
8. Throughout this story who *appeared* to be in control? Who was *really* in control? How can Daniel help you when you feel like your life (family, nation, etc.) is out of control?