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STUDY GUIDE

INTEGRATED BIBLE ENGAGEMENT

DAILY TRIUMPH

Week 1

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Introduction

Welcome to the Study Guide for our series in Daniel called *Daily Triumph*. We are committed as a church to something we call "Integrated Bible and Prayer Engagement," and each week our Study Guide will reflect that commitment. This means we have the opportunity to engage in studying the Bible and praying in an integrated fashion. We engage and pray in a setting by ourselves through our *Personal Time* section. We engage and pray in a setting in our home through our *Table Conversation* section. We engage and pray in a setting in our groups through our *In Community* section. Then, we engage and pray in a setting at our campus through our worship service where we can record things God is showing us in the *Notes* section. These four opportunities create integrated Bible and prayer engagement, and they help God's Word take root deeper and deeper into our hearts and lives.

Personal Time

READ DANIEL 1

What stood out to you from this passage? Why?

READ Daniel 1:1-8

What would it be like to be separated from your own community at a young age and placed into a foreign land and culture?

READ Daniel 1:9-14

How might you live in such a way as to stand in positive contrast to the world around you? Be specific.

Personal Time Continued...

READ Daniel 1:15-21

How do you see God's role in the ways Daniel and his friends prospered?

PRAY

Pray that the Lord would open your heart throughout the study of Daniel to see how you can live as Daniel in today's challenging times. Ask God to transform your heart and life during these twelve weeks. Ask him to help you witness like Daniel in your home, your neighborhood, your workplace, your school, and your city.

Table Conversation

DISCUSS

Use these prompts to spark a series of table conversations this week, or cover these all in one sitting, whatever works best for your family.

READ AND DISCUSS

Read Daniel 1:3-5. Daniel was one of the young men chosen by Aspenaz. What do you think you would have done in Daniel's situation? Why?

READ AND DISCUSS

Read Daniel 1:8. What can we learn from the way Daniel responded to the demands of his captors?

READ AND DISCUSS

Read Daniel 1:9, 17. What can we learn about God from these scriptures?

PRAY

Each night thank God for the opportunity to learn about him through the story of Daniel. Thank him for specific insights you learned or discussed. Daily ask him to give you wisdom to know what is right and courage to live faithfully.

In Community

READ

Read Daniel 1:1-21

DISCUSS

- Share an observation from your Personal Time on this chapter.
- What do you think God was trying to demonstrate to the young Hebrew men through the challenge with the food?
- What do you think God was trying to demonstrate by blessing the young Hebrews' diet, study, visions, and dreams?
- What is God's role in the way events unfolded for Daniel and his friends?
Look for all the examples.
- What is your biggest takeaway from your integrated Bible and prayer engagement with Daniel 1?

PRAY

Share prayer requests in your group and pray for each other. Also pray for those who are not yet a part of your group who may want to join you. Finally, make sure to pray for your neighbors by name!

Notes