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STUDY GUIDE

INTEGRATED BIBLE ENGAGEMENT

DAILY TRIUMPH

Week 6

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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 deeper and deeper root into our hearts and lives.

Personal Time

READ DANIEL 6

What stood out to you from this passage? Why?

READ DANIEL 6:4-5

If people in your life were looking to find fault with you, what would they find? Read Psalm 139:23-24 to guide your prayer/reflections.

READ DANIEL 6:10

How could Daniel have avoided the lion's den? How has God called you to be bold and faithful in the face of cultural perception?

Personal Time Continued...

READ DANIEL 6:14-28

How did King Darius' perspective change before, during, and after the lion's den?

PRAY

Ask God if someone in your life may be headed toward a difficult circumstance. Pray earnestly - as Darius did for Daniel - for God's rescue. Rejoice and praise God for how he has delivered others.

Table Conversation

DISCUSS

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

READ AND DISCUSS

- Read Daniel 6:8-9. King Darius foolishly trusted his advisors and made a hasty decision.
When you have a big decision to make, who do you look to for counsel? How do you approach the decision making?

- Read Daniel 6:10. Daniel continued to worship God in the face of intense persecution.
Are you ever tempted to change the way you practice your faith in order to avoid ridicule or punishment?
If so, how can Daniel's example encourage you to stand strong in your faith?

- Read Daniel 6:19-22. Have you ever been the victim of someone else's bad decision?
Why was Daniel able to greet the King with such honor and grace?

- Read Daniel 6:26-27. What do we learn about God from this scripture?
Rewrite the end of verse 27 by inserting your name and something from which God has rescued you.

PRAY

Give thanks for what you learned about God. Ask God for the strength to resist the temptation to compromise your beliefs and the mercy to forgive those who wrong you.

In Community

READ

READ Daniel 6:1-28

DISCUSS

- Share an observation from your Personal Time on this chapter.
- Have you ever felt like someone was out to get you? How did Daniel deal with his enemies? (Read Hebrews 12:2 for a hint.)
- Daniel has received a lot of fame for surviving the lion's den. What difficult circumstances have you survived?
- How did God receive the glory in Daniel's story? How can he receive the glory in your story?
- What is your biggest takeaway from your integrated Bible and prayer engagement with Daniel 6?

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