

Suggested Discussion Questions for 5/7/2023
Message: Thriving with Daniel, pt 2 (Dan 2:1-23)

1. Share a positive or negative “My way or the highway” situation you’ve experienced.
2. When you read Daniel 2:1-23, how do you trace the hand of God at work in this scenario?
3. Have you experienced a situation where things were unreasonable or unjust and yet, at least in retrospect, you were able to trace the hand of God at work in the craziness? Explain.

If you experience such a situation in the future, how does this passage guide & encourage you?

4. Interact on the biblical concepts of *prudence* and *discretion*. Can you find other passages that address these qualities? What do they add to your consideration?
5. What are some specific ways you can pursue prudence and discretion? How do these help us stay grounded in the wokeness of our current culture?
6. What does this passage teach you about mercy? Consider spending a few minutes praying for God’s mercy upon yourselves, your families, our nation and our world.
7. How is the current exercise of power in the world compelling you to dependent prayer? How do we practically make such prayer a first resort rather than what we do when all our own efforts have failed or seem frustrated or fruitless?
8. Take a circumstance in your life and apply Daniel’s assertion of God’s attributes to it. How does this help us see the world properly and grow in peace and contentment?
9. What is the first thing that comes to your mind when you think about God?
10. Formulate one question from this passage that you would like the group to discuss.