

# HOPEWELL MB CHURCH VIRTUAL INTERNATIONAL SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON OVERVIEW STUDY GUIDE

The following information is provided for participants who wish to study the lesson beforehand. The study materials are part of the **International Sunday School Lesson**, excerpted from the **Union Gospel Press Sunday School book.** 

Classes will be held each Sunday Morning @ 8:30, prior to regular Sunday Morning Worship Service. Please join us in person for an in-depth discussion. All lesson discussion material will be taken from the Adult Bible class Sunday School book (please see **Youth Corner** for all other versions).

In order to gain a better understanding of the lesson, it is recommended that, prior to each lesson, participants read through the **Lesson Text**, **Related Scriptures**, **Daily Bible Reading** scriptures (each day), try to answer the **Discussion Questions**, and make a note of any additional questions you may have. Prayer and meditation are always essential in gaining a better understanding of God's Word and its relevance to your life and situation.

### October 2024 UNIT II: Daniel's Faithful Prophetic Ministry

We continue our study on how God used Daniel and his friends to reveal Himself

**WEEK 1-Daniel Intercedes for Israel:** This lesson shows how Daniel confessed his sins and the sins of the people as a means of turning back to God

**WEEK 2-God Strengthens Daniel:** This lesson highlights the value of sincere prayer and seriously seeking God

**WEEK 3- Jesus Points to Daniel:** This lesson bridges the Old and New Testament as Jesus references Daniel in warning of what is to come

**WEEK 4- Jonah Runs and Is Found Out:** This lesson highlights how God disciplines sinfulness and disobedience

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DATE OF LESSON: October 6, 2024

**LESSON TITLE:** Daniel Intercedes for Israel

LESSON TEXT: Daniel 9:4-14

RELATED SCRIPTURES: Deuteronomy 28:15-68; Ezra 9:5-15; Nehemiah 9:1-37;

Jeremiah 44:2-6; Daniel 9:21-27

GOLDEN TEXT: "We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly,

and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgements"

(Daniel 9:5)

**TARGET AGE GROUP:** This week's discussion is taken from the **Adult Bible Class** book.

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Why did Daniel offer this prayer?
- 2. How did Daniel describe God in his prayer? How is this helpful in understanding God's character?
- 3. What was the main purpose of Daniel's prayer?
- 4. What had the prophets attempted to do for Israel?
- 5. What was the nations' general response to the prophets?
- 6. How does the world today respond to the church and the gospel?
- 7. Does the fall of Israel and Judah say anything to our nation? What is similar or different?
- 8. Why did Daniel include himself among those responsible for the nation's fall?
- 9. What curse was meted out on Israel (Daniel 9:11)?
- 10. How is the calamity that came upon Jerusalem described?

#### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- Curses For Disobedience (Deuteronomy 28:15-19, 36-37)

T- Curses of Enemy Conquest (Deuteronomy 28:49-57)

W-Israel Judged for Idolatry (Jeremiah 44:2-6)

Th- Ezra's Confession for the Nation's Sins (Ezra 9:5-15)

F- Israel's Confession of Sins (Nehemiah 9:28-37)

Sa- Gabriel and Daniel (Daniel 9:21-27)

Su- Appealing to God's Covenant Promises (Daniel 9:4-14)

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We will not have in-person class today. Morning Worship Service will begin at 9:00 a.m.

**DATE OF LESSON:** October 13, 2024 **LESSON TITLE:** God Strengthens Daniel

LESSON TEXT: Daniel 10:10-19

RELATED SCRIPTURES: II Corinthians 10:1-6; Isaiah 6:1-8

**GOLDEN TEXT:** "O man greatly beloved, fear not: peace be unto thee, be strong, yea, be strong. And when he had spoken unto me, I was strengthened, and said, Let

my Lord speak; for thou hast strengthened me" (Daniel 10:19)

TARGET AGE GROUP: This week's discussion is taken from the Adult Bible Class book.

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. What did the heavenly messenger do for Daniel when he touched him, and how did Daniel respond?
- 2. Of what did the messenger assure Daniel, and what did that mean to him and to us?
- 3. What made it hard for the angel to get to Daniel?
- 4. Who was involved in the supernatural battle that took place?
- 5. What does this text reveal to us about demons?
- 6. What was the message from the angel going to be about, and what period of time would it cover?
- 7. Why did Daniel become speechless at the angel's revelation?
- 8. How was Daniel's ability to speak restored?
- 9. What do Daniel's repeated encounters with angel show us?
- 10. What did the strengthening that Daniel received prepare him for?

#### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- God's Word Will Come To Pass (Ezekiel 12:21-28)

T- God Prepares Isaiah to Speak for Him (Isaiah 6:1-8)

W- The Spiritual Forces of Evil (Ephesians 6:12-18)

Th- Spiritual Weapons for Spiritual Battles (II Corinthians 10:1-6)

F- Downfall of An Evil Mighty One (Ezekiel 28:11-19)

Sa- Daniel's Terrifying Vision (Daniel 10:1-9)

Su-Battle in the Heavenlies (Daniel 10:10-19)

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**DATE OF LESSON:** October 20, 2024 **LESSON TITLE:** Jesus Points to Daniel

LESSON TEXT: Mark13:14-27

**RELATED SCRIPTURES:** Daniel 12:5-13; Joel 2:1-17; Matthew 24:15-31; Luke 21:20-28 **GOLDEN TEXT:** "And then shall they see the Son of man coming in the clouds with great

power and glory " (Mark 13:26)

TARGET AGE GROUP: This week's discussion is taken from the Adult Bible Class book.

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Why is this section of Scripture called the Olivet Discourse?
- 2. Where do we first read of the abomination of desolation in the Bible?
- 3. What are some possible meanings of the abomination of desolation?
- 4. Does Mark 13 relate to events of the apostolic age or to the end of the age? Explain
- 5. Why could some of the prophecies of Mark 13 not relate to the fall of Jerusalem in A.D. 70?
- 6. Why would the Lord shorten the days of tribulation?
- 7. Who are the elect?
- 8. Do you think the signs and wonders of false prophets are real or fake? Why?
- 9. Why are warnings about false teachers always relevant?
- 10. When Christ returns, who will see Him? What events will occur

#### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

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M- Jerusalem's Destruction (Luke 21:20-28)

T- Prophecy of Last Things (Daniel 12:5-13)

W- The Abomination of Desolation (Matthew 24:15-20)

Th- Great Tribulation (Matthew 24:21-31)

F- As in the Days of Noah (Luke 17:22-36)

Sa- The Great Day of the Lord (Joel 2:1-11)

Su- Coming in the Clouds of Heaven (Mark 13:14-27)

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DATE OF LESSON: October 27, 2024

**LESSON TITLE:** Jonah Runs and Is Found Out

**LESSON TEXT:** Jonah 1:7-17

**RELATED SCRIPTURES:** II Kings 5:15-19; Numbers 26:52-56; Acts 17:24-27

GOLDEN TEXT: "Now the Lord had prepared a great fish to swallow up Jonah. And Jonah

was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights " (Jonah 1:17)

**TARGET AGE GROUP:** This week's discussion is taken from the **Adult Bible Class** book.

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. Why did Jonah not want to obey God, and what did he do in an attempt to disobey?
- 2. How was Jonah chosen twice in the first chapter of this book?
- 3. Why did the sailors interrogate Jonah after the casting of lots pointed to him?
- 4. What two bits of information caused them to fear God greatly?
- 5. What predicament did Jonah's presence on board cause for the crew?
- 6. What do you think was behind Jonah's reply that the solution was to throw him into the sea?
- 7. What did the sailors try to do instead of what Jonah recommended?
- 8. What did they do when they saw that there was no other option?
- 9. What happened when Jonah hit the water, and what did the sailors do then?
- 10. How did God protect Jonah?

#### **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

(Readings are for the week leading up to the lesson)

M- Praise to the Creator of All (Psalm 33:3-9)

T- The Land Divided by Lot (Numbers 26:52-56)

W- The God Who Made the World (Acts 17:22-27)

Th- No Other God But Israel's God (II Kings 5:15-19)

F- God Rules from Heaven (Psalm 115:1-8)

Sa- Jonah's Disobedience (Jonah 1:1-6)

Su- Jonah's Peril (Jonah 1:7-17)