Daniel Chapter Nine

Homework

- 1. In Daniel's time the driving desire of the Jews was to return to their homeland. What should be the driving desire of Christians today? How should this desire affect the daily life of Christians? Does this describe you?
- 2. As we look back over the many years since the time of Daniel we can see many of the prophecies fulfilled and we see that much tribulation has come upon Jews and Christians as well as mankind. How do you see the sovereign God working in all of these past 2500 years?
- 3. Why do people tend to get so wrapped up in the study of prophecy? Such studies can become an end unto them and can take Christians away from the primary goal of their life. What should be the primary goal of life for a Christian?
- 4. I used to have a small banner on my desk at work that stated: "Expect a Miracle". As children of God, do you think we should expect a miracle every day? If so, then we should start each day with a prayer for such and to have the faith to recognize it. Do you agree?
- 5. How can you use Daniel's preparation for prayer to help guide in your prayers? Do you think you can improve your communication with God?
- 6. Is our country as guilty as were Daniel's people before God? Think about the judgment God could bring upon our country for our sins. Daniel prayed fervently for his people as well as for himself. Formulate a prayer of the same sort Daniel used to pray for our country.
- 7. What are some specific sins invading the churches in America today? Where does the Bible promise judgment to begin? Carefully read 1 Peter 4:17.
- 8. In verse 24 are given six goals for God's exile of His people to Babylon and for Jerusalem to be achieved during that time period. Pray that God will achieve the same for His church.
- 9. Verses 25-27 are difficult to interpret and have been used in various ways by people. What interpretation do you propose?
- 10. How do some people bring in the concept of the Antichrist in these final verses?