

SUNDAY SERVICE 14:10:2018

THIS GOD

Be real and avoid shortcuts

To be effective in life you must know;

What does it mean to know God.

- Who he is
 - His nature
 - His name
- What he is
 - His essence.
 - His material.
 - His form.
- That you are called.
- The one who called you.
- Your calling.

In Daniel chapters 1-6, God makes Himself known to the Babylonians.

God went with them to Babylon.

He has said he will never leave you neither will he forsake you.

That is what we should know about him because he does not change and he will never change.

1) **A God of Providence.**

Daniel 1:8-9

But Daniel resolved that he would not defile himself with the king's food, or with the wine that he drank. Therefore he asked the chief of the eunuchs to allow him not to defile himself. And God gave Daniel favor and compassion in the sight of the chief of the eunuchs,

- When Daniel made up His mind, God opened the floodgates of heavens.
- He gave Daniel favor.
- He gave Daniel compassion.

Daniel 1:17

As for these four youths, God gave them learning and skill in all literature and wisdom, and Daniel had understanding in all visions and dreams.

- Take note that they got that wisdom in Babylon.
- Understanding in all visions and dreams.

James 1:5

If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.

2) **Our God is wise and mighty**

Daniel 2:20-22

Daniel answered and said:

“Blessed be the name of God forever and ever, to whom belong wisdom and might. He changes times and seasons; he removes kings and sets up kings he gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to those who have understanding; he reveals deep and hidden things; he knows what is in the darkness, and the light dwells with him.

- That is who our God is.

3) **There is a God in heaven**

Daniel 2:27-28

Daniel answered the king and said, “No wise men, enchanters, magicians, or astrologers can show to the king the mystery that the king has asked, but there is a God in heaven who reveals mysteries, and he has made known to King Nebuchadnezzar what will be in the latter days. Your dream and the visions of your head as you lay in bed are these:

- He lives in heaven.
- He is lifted up.
- Has no equals.
- He has the big picture.

4) **He is the God of gods**

Daniel 2:47

The king answered and said to Daniel, “Truly, your God is God of gods and Lord of kings, and a revealer of mysteries, for you have been able to reveal this mystery.”

5) **A great God**

Daniel 2:45

just as you saw that a stone was cut from a mountain by no human hand, and that it broke in pieces the iron, the bronze, the clay, the silver, and the gold. A great God has made known to the king what shall be after this. The dream is certain, and its interpretation sure.”

6) **An able God**

Daniel 3:16-17

Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego answered and said to the king, “O Nebuchadnezzar, we have no need to answer you in this matter. If this be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of your hand, O king.

7) **Incomparable God**

Daniel 3:29

Therefore I make a decree: Any people, nation, or language that speaks anything against the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego shall be torn limb from limb, and their houses laid in ruins, for there is no other god who is able to rescue in this way.”

- He rescued in a unique way.
- He came down and joined them in a fire.
- He danced with them in the fire.
- Our God is not only transcendent, he is also immanent.
- He is Immanuel.

8) **A wonder working God**

Daniel 4:3

*How great are his signs, how mighty his wonders!
His kingdom is an everlasting kingdom,
and his dominion endures from generation to generation.*

9) **Rules the Kingdoms of men.**

Daniel 4:25-26

that you shall be driven from among men, and your dwelling shall be with the beasts of the field. You shall be made to eat grass like an ox, and you shall be wet with the dew of heaven, and seven periods of time shall pass over you, till you know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will. And as it was commanded to leave the stump of the roots of the tree, your kingdom shall be confirmed for you from the time that you know that Heaven rules.

10) **An everlasting God.**

Daniel 4:34-35

*At the end of the days I, Nebuchadnezzar, lifted my eyes to heaven, and my reason returned to me, and I blessed the Most High, and praised and honored him who lives forever,
for his dominion is an everlasting dominion,
and his kingdom endures from generation to generation;
all the inhabitants of the earth are accounted as nothing,
and he does according to his will among the host of heaven
and among the inhabitants of the earth;
and none can stay his hand
or say to him, "What have you done?"*

➤ No one can question God

11) **His works are right**

Daniel 4:37

Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, for all his works are right and his ways are just; and those who walk in pride he is able to humble.

12) **Controls our breath.**

Daniel 5:23

but you have lifted up yourself against the Lord of heaven. And the vessels of his house have been brought in before you, and you and your lords, your wives, and your concubines have drunk wine from them. And you have praised the gods of silver and gold, of bronze, iron, wood, and stone, which do not see or hear or know, but the God in whose hand is your breath, and whose are all your ways, you have not honored.

➤ This God needs to be honored

13) **He delivers and rescues**

Daniel 6:26-27

*I make a decree, that in all my royal dominion people are to tremble and fear before the God of Daniel,
for he is the living God, enduring forever;
his kingdom shall never be destroyed, and his dominion shall be to the end.
He delivers and rescues; he works signs and wonders in heaven and on earth,
he who has saved Daniel from the power of the lions."*

Nothing shall be impossible with God.

Submit to him and surrender your case to him.