



CHARACTER UNDER PRESSURE

Daniel 2:1-30 // Dr. Ron Jones

“Reputation is what men and women think of us; character is what God and angels know of us.” THOMAS PAINE

The Dream and the Drama / Daniel 2:1-13

In the second year of the reign of Nebuchadnezzar, Nebuchadnezzar had dreams; his spirit was troubled, and his sleep left him. ² Then the king commanded that the magicians, the enchanters, the sorcerers, and the Chaldeans be summoned to tell the king his dreams. So they came in and stood before the king. ³ And the king said to them, “I had a dream, and my spirit is troubled to know the dream.” DANIEL 2:1-3 ESV

The Dos and the Don'ts / Daniel 2:14-30

1. Don't _____.

Then Daniel replied with prudence and discretion to Arioch, the captain of the king's guard, who had gone out to kill the wise men of Babylon. ... DAN 2:14-15

2. Do what is _____.

And Daniel went in and requested the king to appoint him a time, that he might show the interpretation to the king. DANIEL 2:16 ES

3. Do call a _____.

Then Daniel went to his house and made the matter known to Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah, his companions, ¹⁸ and told them to seek mercy from the God of heaven concerning this mystery, so that Daniel and his companions might not be destroyed with the rest of the wise men of Babylon. DANIEL 2:17-18

_____ belong to God. DANIEL 2:20-23

And He has made from one blood every nation of men to dwell on all the face of the earth, and has determined their pre-appointed times and the boundaries of their dwellings, so that they should seek the Lord, in the hope that they might grope for Him and find Him ... ACTS 17:26-28 NKJV

4. Do put _____.

Therefore Daniel went in to Arioch, whom the king had appointed to destroy the wise men of Babylon. He went and said thus to him: "Do not destroy the wise men of Babylon; bring me in before the king, and I will show the king the interpretation." DANIEL 1:24

5. Do give _____ to God.

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, ²⁸ 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. DANIEL 2:27-28 ESV