

GOD KNOWS THE FUTURE AND HAS A PLAN

Family Devotion – Lesson 82

MEMORY VERSE – DANIEL 2:20

“Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his”

- God is a blessing, the blesser, and blessed for ever. He is the author of wisdom and might.
- The word blessed means:
 - Having the favor of God.
 - Receiving good from God.
 - Happiness that comes from God.
 - Prosperity that comes from God.
- Daniel was the one who said, *“Blessed be the name of God for ever and ever: for wisdom and might are his.”* He said this after God answered his prayer and revealed to him the dream and interpretation of king Nebuchadnezzar. Daniel also said, *“I thank thee, and praise thee, O thou God of my fathers, who hast given me wisdom and might, and hast made known unto me now what we desired of thee...”* (Dan. 2:23).
- God gave Daniel wisdom and might for two reasons:
 - 1) To know the future (prophecy).
 - 2) To fulfill God’s plan (be promoted in the kingdom and reveal the God of Israel).
- God desires to bless us as well. He wants us to know the future and what is to come. The book of Revelation goes into detail as to what the future holds. If we read it and apply the message to our lives, we will be blessed: ***“Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein...”*** (Rev. 1:3).
- Knowing prophecy:
 - Keeps us from being surprised or caught off guard.
 - Warns us of the evil to come and helps us to not be deceived by it.
 - Gives us hope and anticipation that God eventually makes it all good.



QUESTIONS TO DISCUSS

- Where is the best place to get wisdom and might?
- How would you define wisdom?
- What is the purpose of God giving you might?



PRAYER TIME

- Pray for God to give you wisdom and might and to use it for His glory.
- Ask God to help you be a blessing to Him.



CHALLENGE

- Who are the “major prophets” and “minor prophets” in the Old Testament? How many of each are there?