**FAMILY LIFE CHURCH OF THE VALLEY**

**LIFE GROUP, RIVERSIDE**

**TITLE:** **40 DAYS OF PRAYER**

**SESSION FIVE: PRAYING FOR A BREAKTHROUGH**

**KEY VERSE**: **“You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.”**

 **JEREMIAH 29:13(NIV)**

**SIX STEPS FOR PRAYING FOR A BREAKTHROUGH:**

* **Let God \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

During the first year of [Darius'] reign, I, Daniel, was studying

the writings of [Scripture]. Learned from the word of the Lord, as

recorded by Jeremiah the prophet, that Jerusalem must lie desolate

for seventy years.

 **DANIEL 9:2 (NLT)**

"If you stay connected to me and my words remain in your heart,

you may ask any request you want in prayer, and it will be given

to you.

 **JOHN 15:7**

The more you fill your mind with Scripture, the more your prayers will

be answered, because you will be praying according to the Word

of God.

* Focus \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I gave my attention to the Lord to seek him by prayer...

 **DANIEL 9:3 (NASB)**

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"I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently

will find me."

 **PROVERBS 8:17 (NKJV)**

"You will seek me and find me when you seek me

with all your heart."

 **JEREMIAH 29:13 (NIV)**

[God] rewards those who earnestly seek him.

 **HEBREWS 11:6 (NIV)**

* Express \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I prayed earnestly to the Lord, pleading with him.

 **DANIEL 9:3 (GNT)**

I poured out my heart, baring my soul to God.

 **DANIEL 9:4 (THE MESSAGE)**

* Demonstrate \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I did not eat any food. And to show my sadness, I put on sack cloth

and sat in ashes.

 **DANIEL 9:3 (NCV)**

* Thank God \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

I prayed to the Lord my God and confessed: "O Lord, you are

a great and awesome God! You always fulfill your promises of

unfailing love to those who love you and keep your commands."

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 **DANIEL 9:4 (NLT)**

Lord God, you are merciful and forgiving, even though we have

rebelled against you.

 **DANIEL 9:9 (CEV)**

* Humbly \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

But we have sinned terribly by rebelling against you and rejecting

your laws and teachings. We have ignored the message your

servants the prophets spoke to [us]... We have been unfaithful,

and have sinned against you... We have rebelled against you and

rejected your teachings.

 **DANIEL 9:5-10 (CEV)**

O my God, listen to me and hear my request.. We do not ask

because we deserve help, but because you are so merciful.

 **DANIEL 9:18 (NLT)**

While I kept on praying and confessing my sin and the sins of my

people, and pleading with the Lord, Suddenly the angel Gabriel

appeared in my vision and said to me, "Daniel, I've been sent to

help you understand God's plan. The moment you began praying.

an answer was given, and I'm here to tell it to you for God loves

you very much.

 **DANIEL 9:20-23**

Discovery Questions:

Choose the questions that are right for your group and take time to let God work in

your lives.

• Daniel waited seventy years for his breakthrough. How do you identify

with Daniel's story? Have you ever had to pray for months or even

years for a breakthrough? What was the outcome?

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• What is the breakthrough prayer you are asking God about right now?

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• Jeremiah 29:13 (NIV) says, "You will seek me and find me when you

seek me with all your heart." What does it mean to you to seek the

Lord with all your heart?

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