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Daniel 9:21

“Answered Prayer 101”.

“As I was praying, Gabriel, whom I had seen in the earlier vision, came swiftly to me at the time of the evening sacrifice.” Daniel 9:21

Imagine having your prayer time interrupted by an angel! And Gabriel at that! Such was Daniel’s experience! It is a far better thing to be interrupted by an angel while you are praying than to be interrupted by one on your way to sin! Just ask Balaam or Herod! (See Numbers 22:21 – 33; Acts 12:20 – 23).

However, Daniel was not caught off guard as most believers might be at the appearance of such a notable angelic figure for such was his experience and depth of walk in prayer that Gabriel’s presence during Daniel’s regular prayer times was a semi-familiar event. The voice of God, by His Spirit confirmed through the Word of God, should not be an unexpected event in the life of the praying saint. Rather, there should be an expectation of hearing the voice of God when we pause to pray.

As to this angel’s swift flight to Daniel – we should be encouraged that the Lord desires for us swift answers to our prayers! “...let Your tender mercies speedily meet our needs...” (Psalm 79:8).

“Father, in Jesus’ name, may You give swift flight to my prayers! Thank You for the angelic host who wait in attendance upon my cry of faith!” (Psalm 103:20; Hebrews 1:14).

“There is none like unto the God of Jeshurun, who rides upon the heaven *to your* help, and in His Excellency on the sky. The eternal God is *your* refuge, and underneath are the everlasting arms: and He shall thrust out the enemy from before you; and shall say, “Destroy them.” (Deuteronomy 33:26 – 27).

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