



## Before the THRONE *The Devotional*

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Daniel 10:12

“Answered Prayer 101”.

“... Do not fear Daniel, for from the first day you set your heart to understand, and to humble yourself before your God, your words were heard...” Daniel 10:12

Daniel teaches us the “art of answered prayer!”

First we must set our hearts to understand! Prayer is not only our asking for things from God, but rather it is the setting our hearts to know what is upon His heart as well as “pre-purposing” within our hearts to obey Him once we have heard from Him.

Next Daniel humbled himself before the Lord. “Humble yourselves in the sight of the Lord, and He will lift you up.” (James 4:10). This humbling is a submission to the will and counsel of God. It is a ready acknowledgement that He is the Sovereign and we are His rightful subjects and His heirs in Christ!

Finally, Daniel teaches us that after having prayed, our words are to align themselves with what we have prayed. Our daily conversation must now speak what we have believed and asked for in prayer! “But having the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, “I BELIEVED, THEREFORE I SPOKE,” we also believe, therefore also we speak.” (2 Corinthians 4:13 NASB) “Let us hold fast the confession of our faith without wavering; for He is faithful that promised.” (Hebrews 10:23).

Should our prayer and words disagree we are being double minded and sadly, our words of unbelief then nullify even our best faith efforts offered while in prayer. (James 1:6 – 8). Watch out for the words of your mouth! (Proverbs 18:21).

“Spirit of God, thank You for the examples Daniel gives us on our way to and through the life of prayer. As I set my heart to the will of the Father, I will guard my heart as well as my tongue. I will walk before You in humility. Please help my prayer words and my conversational words to always be in agreement. In Jesus’ name, Amen!”

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