

Session



Personal Study Guide

Stewardship of Self

October 11, 2020

Introduction



What are some reasons that a doctor would write a prescription for a patient?



What responsibility does the patient have in doing everything within his or her power to make sure the prescribed treatment makes the intended effect?

1. Pressure to Compromise (Dan. 1:8-10)



What potential dangers might Daniel have faced with this decision? What are some dangers or pressures Christians might face today when they choose to honor God over the world?



What gave Daniel the ability to obey God in that situation? How could he be so steadfast?



Application: Are you fully satisfied in Christ, or do you seek something beyond Christ to satisfy your heart? What do you believe you need besides Christ to have joy, peace, and wholeness?

2. Simple Obedience (Dan. 1:11-14)



What have you found difficult about sustained obedience to the Lord?



How can Christians today serve the Lord with this posture?

❓ Application: What is your motivation to serve the Lord? Do you find yourself losing steam or giving up easily? If so, why do you think that is? What needs to change?

3. God's Faithfulness (Dan. 1:15-16)

❓ What lesson or principle can we draw from these events in the life of Daniel?

❓ What was Daniel's motivation for obedience before God?

❓ Application: What is your motivation for obedience to God? How has that been challenged by today's study?

Conclusion

❓ How are you currently seeking to be used by God? What are you willing to sacrifice so that He might use you for His glory?

❓ How might we as a group seek to encourage one another to live lives that can be used by God in all things?

❓ How might living this way give us opportunity for gospel conversations with those who don't yet believe in Jesus?

Daily Readings

- Monday - Daniel 1:8-16
- Tuesday - 1 Corinthians 9:24-27
- Wednesday - James 1:12
- Thursday - 1 Peter 3:15
- Friday - 2 Peter 1:3-8
- Saturday - Luke 9:23