

Troubled By What You See

Daniel 2: 1-49

1. In the second year of his reign, Nebuchadnezzar had a dream; his mind was troubled and he could not sleep.”

The things we are witnessing in the world today are causing people to take a real look at where we are headed. Troubled by the visions we see, we're looking for the answer to the question, why is this happening? We seek wise men to interpret what is going on. King Nebuchadnezzar turned to the wisdom of men, wise in the world's ways, magicians, enchanters and astrologers.

11. What the king asked was too difficult. No one could reveal it to the king except the gods, and they do not live among humans.

They were correct. The only one who could provide wisdom was God. The king ordered all the wise men be put to death. One man who was different than all the other wise men spoke out. He asked that he may be granted a time to interpret the king's dreams. He explained his predicament before his likeminded friends.

18. He urged them to plead for mercy from the God of heaven concerning this mystery...

The interpretation revealed to Daniel was not necessarily the most comforting news about future. The king was relieved that there was a interpretation. He paid Daniel honor, and did not order the wise men be put to death.

47. The King said to Daniel “surely your God is the God of gods and the Lord of Kings and a revealer of mysteries, for you were able to reveal this mystery.”

If you find yourself troubled by the visions you see, or lying sleepless over things to come, plead with the Lord concerning these matters and he will give you wisdom and comfort.