

Life Group Notes

Sunday 12th May 2021

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Title: Daniel: From Daniel to Christmas

Christ is the Stone of Dan 2:44-45. He enters the world small, then grows to fill everything, smashing idols on the way.

Christ is the fire-proof friend present in the furnace (Dan 3:24-25). Christmas is Jesus entering our furnaces. If you are in a fire, look around and you will find him there.

Christ is the “human hand” in Dan 5:5. The invisible word of God taking flesh to write God’s will on the walls of the world.

Christ is the one who rolls away the stone and breaks the seal from the grave at daybreak in Daniel 6:17-19.

Christ is the Son of Man receiving a kingdom from the ancient of Days (Dan 7:13-14). Christmas is birth of the “Son of Man.” Speaks of his representing us before the father.

Christ is the one who wakes us up into eternal life in Daniel 12.2. Christmas is the beginning of our awakening.

Christ is the true exile. Speaks of his empathy/ solidarity with our predicament, and his bearing of sin.

Questions:

1. Which one of these seven pictures of Christ is the most meaningful to you, and why?
2. Why do you think it is important as Christians to see glimpses of Jesus in the Old Testament?
3. This Christmas, what aspect of the Christmas story have you seen in a fresh way?
4. Which moment in this Daniel series has really spoken to you, and why?



