

DO NOT COMPLY

A STUDY THROUGH DANIEL



WEEK 8: THE GOD WHO GIVES US HOPE (DANIEL 9)

WELCOME

What's the craziest Black Friday experience you've had or the best Black Friday deal you've seen?

WORSHIP

As this series draws to a close, spend some time praying for one another and for God to bring to memory all the lessons of this series.

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WORD

1. In what ways does the brokenness in Daniel's time resemble the issues we see in our culture today (e.g., divisions, violence, or moral decline)?

2. What do we learn about God's character from Daniel's confession of sin in *Daniel 9:4-9*? How does this deepen our understanding of grace and truth?

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3. How does Daniel's use of "we" and "us" in his prayer impact our interpretation of the passage? How do you see yourself taking "radical responsibility" for the brokenness in your own life, community, or nation, as Daniel did?

4. In *Daniel 9:5-6*, Daniel acknowledges Israel's failure to listen to the prophets. How does this highlight the importance of listening to God's Word today?

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5. If a majority of people in our country honestly believed that God's mercy triumphs over judgment, how would this impact the way we face future national or global crises?

6. Read *Daniel 9:25-27*. How does Jesus' return give you hope in the midst of a culture that's indifferent to or disdainful of God?

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7. What are one some of your biggest takeaways from our *Do Not Comply* series on the Book of Daniel?

WITNESS

How will this series help you identify grace and truth in your approach to society and to your relationships? Also, give the group an update on the person you are wanting to share Jesus with.

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PERSONAL REFLECTION & DEEPER STUDY FOR THIS WEEK

1. Memorize **Daniel 9:19**
2. Sometime this week, read the entire Book of Daniel in one setting (try reading it in a different translation every day in the **Bible App** or **Bible Gateway**).
3. *Extra difficult challenge: read the entire Book of Daniel in one setting each day this week (try reading it in a different translation every day in the **Bible App** or **Bible Gateway**).*
4. Study and answer the previous group questions and/or deeper study questions that were not addressed in your group or your personal study.