

## **"Defining Moments"**

*Part two of the series: "Shine: Being a Light Right Where You Are"*

**Saturday, August 11 and Sunday, August 12, 2018 • Pastor Kalae George**

### **Daniel 2:1-3, 10-13 NLT**

#### **Rally others to pray with you.**

*"Then Daniel went home and told his friends Hananiah, Mishael, and Azariah what had happened. <sup>18</sup>He urged them to ask the God of heaven to show them his mercy by telling them the secret, so they would not be executed along with the other wise men of Babylon. <sup>19</sup>That night the secret was revealed to Daniel in a vision. Then Daniel praised the God of heaven." (Daniel 2:17-19 NLT)*

*"And pray in the Spirit on all occasions with all kinds of prayers and requests. With this in mind, be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people." (Ephesians 6:18 NIV)*

#### **Acknowledge and embrace His sovereignty.**

*"...Praise the name of God forever and ever, for he has all wisdom and power. <sup>21</sup>He controls the course of world events; he removes kings and sets up other kings. He gives wisdom to the wise and knowledge to the scholars. <sup>22</sup>He reveals deep and mysterious things and knows what lies hidden in darkness, though he is surrounded by light." (Daniel 2:20-22 NLT)*

*"And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." (Romans 8:28 NIV)*

#### **Humbly point to God.**

*"The king said to Daniel... 'Is this true? Can you tell me what my dream was and what it means?' <sup>27</sup>Daniel replied, 'There are no wise men, enchanters, magicians, or fortune-tellers who can reveal the king's secret. <sup>28</sup>But there is a God in heaven who reveals secrets, and he has shown King Nebuchadnezzar what will happen in the future...' (Daniel 2:26-28 NLT)*

*"... 'God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble.' <sup>6</sup>Humble yourselves, therefore, under the mighty hand of God so that at the proper time he may exalt you, <sup>7</sup>casting all your anxieties on him, because he cares for you." (1 Peter 5:5-7 ESV)*

#### **Let God work in our circumstances in His way.**

*"Then King Nebuchadnezzar threw himself down before Daniel and worshiped him, and he commanded his people to offer sacrifices and burn sweet incense before him. <sup>47</sup>The king said to Daniel, 'Truly, your God is the greatest of gods, the Lord over kings, a revealer of mysteries, for you have been able to reveal this secret.'*

*<sup>48</sup>Then the king appointed Daniel to a high position and gave him many valuable gifts. He made Daniel ruler over the whole province of Babylon, as well as chief over all his wise men. <sup>49</sup>At Daniel's request, the king appointed Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego to be in charge of all the affairs of the province of Babylon..." (Daniel 2:46-49 NLT)*

*"For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways,' declares the Lord. 'As the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.'" (Isaiah 55:8-9 NIV)*