

The End Times

Part 1

Key Scriptures: Daniel 7:1-8; Galatians 4:4

1. Start talking. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- How do you see your life in 5/10 years? Your family? Your job/career? Your relationships? Where will you be living? Civilization? Your mental health? Your relationship with God?

2. Start thinking. Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- How does Daniel explain his dream/vision? Had he gone crazy, or senile, or had some bad heartburn that evening, or was it from God?
- Why would anyone trust Daniel at age 60?
- What do the four beasts symbolize in Daniel 7:1-8? Have we seen this type of dream/vision before? Where?
- Why does God give so much prophecy in the bible? Does prophecy make you anxious, or apathetic, or give you peace? Why or why not?

3. Start sharing. Choose a question to create openness.

- When you shared what your life might look like in 5/10 years, does it give you peace? Confidence? Anxiety? Fear? Why or why not?
 - Brandon said, "What you believe about tomorrow will affect how you live today." Explain this with an example from your 5/10-year plan.
 - What predictions and promises has God made to believers in the Bible? Give an example and where it can be found in the Bible. (Example: 2 Peter 1:3-4 – "³ His divine power has given us everything we need for a godly life through our knowledge of Him who called us by his own glory and goodness. ⁴ Through these He has given us His *very great and precious promises*, so that through them you may participate in the divine nature, having escaped the corruption in the world caused by evil desires.")
- * Write down the verses the group comes up with and share them with each member.

4. Start praying. Be bold and pray with power.

- Pray for one another that the promises that God made to each of them will bring peace and joy as they go through this week.
- Pray that these promises work as prophecies in your life and that you can see and share with others that God is faithful to keep His promises.

5. Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week.

- Exchange numbers with one other person in your group and pray for them throughout this next week. Text them to encourage them and remind them of one of the Bible verses that your group came up with. Ask if there is anything you can pray for them about and then be faithful to pray for that this week as well.