Daniel 2 • Hearing, But Not Doing

- (v.1-3) There are non-believers who know they need a <u>spiritual</u> answer to their most pressing problems, but because they lack <u>the Holy Spirit</u>, cannot figure it out on their own. They become spiritual <u>seekers</u> in search of the <u>answer</u> they're confident exists yet eludes.
- (v.4-13) Spiritual seekers need someone who can be a <u>conduit</u>
 to God, not a <u>counterfeit</u> replacement of Him. They may not be
 able to know the absolute <u>truth</u>, but often recognize spiritual
 <u>counterfeits</u>.
- (v.14-23) God is the answer for BOTH the spiritual as represented by Daniel, and the unspiritual as represented by Nebuchadnezzar. The largest difference between the two is seeking and being transformed by the Source of all knowledge rather than merely coming into contact with it.
- 4. (v.24-30) All a Believer can do for a non-Believer is allow the voice of God to be heard. Daniel didn't offer his personal opinion nor assert his own thoughts, but truly acted as a conduit for a non-Believer to clearly hear God's message.
- (v.31-45) God's greater <u>prophetic</u> purpose is for everyone to <u>seek</u> and <u>embrace</u> His Word and ways to be eternally established through the <u>Messiah</u> rather than by any earthly <u>institution</u>.
- 6. (v.46-49) It is the Believer's responsibility to maintain both the integrity of the truth of God's Word at the same time as God's love in the course of all relationships in order to be a proper witness, regardless of the ultimate response of others.