



SERMON QUESTIONS

September 20, 2026

Series: The Faith That STILL Roars
Sermon: God's Countdown: A Matter of 7s
Daniel 9:1-27

1. After reading Daniel 9:1-3, describe how Scripture drove Daniel to pray and shaped his prayer? Have you found it easier to pray when you've been in the Scripture? Has it been difficult to pray the longer you've been out of Scripture?
2. Daniel brings his heavy heart to the Lord in this text of Daniel 9. What is his burden? Where in Scripture did he arrive at this specific burden?
3. What do these verses reveal about each of the kingdoms represented, even the individuals? What characterizes them? What burdens are you presently carrying and how are you praying for them?
4. As you've read Daniel 9:1-19, you must have noticed the topic of the Hebrews' sin. You must have also noticed that Daniel, though he has been faithful (not perfect), he includes himself in the Hebrews' sin confession. In fact, he confesses as the Hebrews. Why did he do this? Explain the difference between individual sin and national sin. Explain how an innocent individual can be caught up in another individual's sin.
5. Daniel 9:20-27, especially 9:24-27, is notoriously difficult. Why should you study such a passage, as opposed to avoiding it?
6. What does it mean in 9:26 for the Messiah to be "cut off"?
7. How does this passage reveal both the mercy and judgment of God?
8. What does it tell us about God and His power that this prophecy covers the vast scope of world history? Knowing that all history, all existence, is in God's hands, how should believers live, even in personally difficult times?