November 20, 2022 Daniel 10:1-11:2 "The Power And Privilege Of Prayer"

PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICAL APPLICATION

<u>Prerequisites to Daniel's answered prayer</u>: Daniel purposes to humble himself before God. Daniel purposed to understand. Daniel prayed, yes, simple yet profound.

The final vision is found in chapters 10-12. Chapter 10 concerns the preparation of the prophet. This vision contains the most detailed prophetic revelation in the Book of Daniel."

The plan for Israel was about to be told to Daniel. This plan included Israel's future under Persia and Greece and later in the Tribulation and Millennium. Far-reaching.

Daniel was now about 85 or 90 years old, still serving the Lord! No such thing as retirement from serving the Lord! This may mean stepping aside to let younger people take leadership roles as you mentor and assists them as they begin to serve.

Application:

"Why did the angel finally get through to earth to speak with Daniel? I believe it was because Daniel never quit praying. The tool that enforces Satan's defeat is the tool of prayer. If we really believe that, then praying would be the main business of the church. But here is where Satan has defeated us. He keeps up so busy reading the latest bestsellers in the Christian bookstores, organizing all kinds of evangelistic strategies, counseling, and putting out the fires of opposition that we don't have time to pray. As we run around trying to get all the work done, we become so frustrated and fatigued that we wonder why we don't have the victory. God has been teaching me that the only way we are going to have victory in a ministry, in a life, or in a church is to come to grips with the power that He has put in our hands through prayer. If we are really honest, we would probably admit that we don't put a high priority on prayer. We give it a lick and a promise as often as we can. We pray before we go to bed (sometimes) and before we eat. Once in a while, when we get in real bad shape, we ask God to get us out of trouble. But when it comes to the fervent praying that makes a difference in our lives and the life of this earth, we scarcely give it lip service." *David Jeremiah*

Let us purpose in our hearts to pray fervently for our own spiritual growth, pray like never before for one another and for our church family to flourish and for our ministry here at LBC to be pleasing to the Lord.