

GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE
WEEK 8

enduring hope

THE BOOK OF DANIEL

CONNECT

- What's one piece of advice from someone older than you that's stuck with you for a long time?
- What's been one major takeaway from the book of Daniel for you?
- What kind of tension do you feel like you handle best in your life—relational, emotional, big choices, pressure and stress? What kind do you think you handle the worst?

RECAP

Here's an overview of the main ideas from the sermon.

MAIN THEMES

Big Idea: Enduring hope is forged in tension.

Christ-Connect: Jesus is the greater Daniel, who saw the future but was in the tension of now.

Application: Each of us is called to "go our way" and live with enduring hope.

READ & DISCUSS

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Daniel 12:1-8

DISCUSS

When asked how long the things prophesied in the vision will take, the man clothed in linen answers, "A time, times, and a half a time." Like Daniel, we don't really understand what that means. But what's clear is that God does have a timeline for his plan. We just don't know it. What impact does not knowing God's timeline have on you?

READ & DISCUSS

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Daniel 12:9-11

DISCUSS

There's only two groups in this age—the wicked and the wise. The wise are those who devote their lives to God, and for them, suffering has a refining affect. Based on your experience and other Bible passages you're familiar with, how does suffering refine a Christian?

READ & DISCUSS

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Daniel 12:12 / Philippians 2:5-11

DISCUSS

The God who calls us into the tension of the here and now, is the very same God who entered into the tension himself. He had the cosmic power as Creator, and he let that power be shattered. He saw the future, yet he suffered in the present. Now he stands in his allotted place, and so shall we.

What have you learned from this text and how will you apply it to your life?

PRAYER

Pray for an enduring hope, for eyes to see the refining God is doing in your life, and for the grace of Jesus to flood your life.

DISCIPLESHIP CHECK-IN

- Have you read your Bible and prayed consistently the past week?
- Who is one lost person you're praying would come to faith?



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