

## Week of April 16, 2017 Questions for Ohana

### Living in Babylon: "Praying Like Daniel" Daniel 9

**ICE BREAKER:** If you could have any gift or talent from God what would it be? Or When was the first time you really cried out to God?

#### A Read Daniel 9: 1-14

- 1 Why is Daniel so passionate and persistent in his prayer? (v.3)
- 2 What are the ways Daniel describes God?
- 3 What are the words Daniel uses to describe God's people?

#### B Read Daniel 9: 15-19

- 1 Why is the acknowledgement of sin so important in this prayer? Why is it important in our prayers?
- 2 Verses 17-19 Daniel prays directly. Is this appropriate? List the ways he entreats God. What is the reasoning behind his prayer?

#### C Read Daniel 9: 20-27

- 1 What was Daniel doing when Gabriel appeared? What details are given about the angel?
- 2 What are the six purposes to be accomplished in the 70 sevens (490 years)? See verse 24
- 3 Gabriel prophesies the coming of everlasting righteousness (v.24) What is predicted about the Anointed One? (vv 25, 26)
- 4 What would be different for Daniel if he had not prayed?

### Application

How does Easter cause you to be more fervent in prayer?

When you think of Daniel and Jesus, why is prayer worth the hard work, time and effort?

What small steps will you make this week in your prayer life to pray more like Daniel?

Verse 19 referred to Jerusalem, could this verse also be a model to pray for Honolulu? If so what are you asking God to do in our city?

### Pray as a group:

**Read verse 19** with gusto out loud as a group. Select several people to lead the group in praying for each of the following areas.

Pray for the peace of Jerusalem and Israel.

Pray for protection and peace for Israel.

Pray for many Jews and Muslims in the Middle East to come to Christ. Ask the Lord to help you pray with Daniel's heart for revival in Honolulu and Hawaii.